

## REGISTER ON-LINE

Online registration opens Saturday, November 6, 2021, 8:00 am PT through Tuesday, January 6, 2022, midnight PT at [morrobaybirdfestival.org](http://morrobaybirdfestival.org).

Credit cards and checks accepted. We do not accept phone or fax registrations.

**REGISTRATION AND EVENT FEES:** (All Festival participants must register and provide proof of vaccination)

**Pass Options: Five-day (Full), Three-day or One-day**

- Full Festival Pass (Five Days) **\$125**
- Three-day Pass **\$95**
- One-day Pass (Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday) **\$45**
- Monday (only) **\$25**
- Youth, age 17 or younger, registration is **FREE**. Fees for vans, boats, and kayaks still apply. Youth, age 12 or younger must be accompanied by a registered adult.

**One-day registration includes events on that day only.**

## FESTIVAL CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

Cancellations made prior to January 6, 2022, will result in a refund of fees paid, less \$35 administrative fee, **for each registrant**. Non-PayPal refunds will be processed by the Registrar after the Festival. **No refunds will be made for cancellations after January 6, 2022, or for no-shows.**

Morro Bay Winter Bird Festival reserves the right to cancel any event for any reason, and you will receive a full refund for any paid event that we cancel.

## 2022 FESTIVAL SCHEDULE CODES

Type of Event: F/Field Trip, P/Presentation, S/Special Program (Nature events highlighted in turquoise)

Level of Difficulty: B/Beginner, Y/Youth Encouraged, W/Wheelchair Accessible

\$: Fees for busses, boats, kayaks, field trips and master classes

Meeting Place: CLAZ/Cloisters (Azure Street), COP/Camp Ocean Pines, CPAC/Cuesta College Performing Arts Center, CPP/Cal Poly Pier, ECP/El Chorro Park, FR/Fiscalini Ranch, HH/Harmony Headlands, HR/Halter Ranch, IMB/Inn at Morro Bay LCR/Las Cruzitas Ranch, LL/Laguna Lake, LOL/Lopez Lake, MBCC Morro Bay Community Center, MBL/Morro Bay Landing, MBSPM/MB State Park Marina, MR/Morro Rock, MU/Museum, OF/Oso Flaco Lake, PB/Point Buchon, SBCC/South Bay Community Center, SLOBG/SLO Botanical Garden, SMLRS/Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station, SPM/State Park Marina, SR/Sunshine Ranch, SRR/Santa Rita Ranch, SST/ Sub Sea Tours, VR/Veterans Hall, VH/Vandenheuvel Ranch, WC/Washburn Creek, WV/Wolff Vineyards

# Thursday, January 13, 2022

101 Birding by Careful Observation Thursday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: El Chorro Park Meet@:El Chorro Park B

Leisurely in-depth bird observation and ID skills enhancement with a stroll through El Chorro Regional Park sharing observations of bird characteristics. Field guides will be checked to verify. This trip is aimed at all level of birders including those who want to teach others how to learn bird ID most effectively. Bring binoculars and a favorite field guide. 15 miles round trip by personal vehicle. State Hwy 1 @ Dairy Creek Rd. Meet at SLO Botanical Gardens.

102 Birding Estero Bluffs Thursday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Estero Bluffs Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Enjoy a slow-paced walk of 1.5-2 miles along a beautiful and wild ocean bluff trail. Expect rock-loving shorebirds such as black and ruddy turnstones, surfbirds, whimbrels, scoters, terns, gulls and maybe a Harlequin Duck. 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

103 Meander Morro Bay Marina Thursday, 08:30 am - 11:00 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BYW

The Morro Bay State Park Marina boardwalk provides opportunities for viewing a variety of shorebirds, ducks, geese, loons, grebes, gulls, terns and herons. Peregrine Falcons and other raptors are often seen. The level half-mile walk is especially suited for photographers, wheelchairs and those using walkers and canes. Easy. Meets at the south end of the Marina parking lot.

104 Santa Rita Ranch Diverse Habitats Thursday, 08:30 am - 12:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Santa Rita Ranch Meet@:Santa Rita Ranch

Be one of the first to explore the rolling grass-covered foothills of the Santa Rita Ranch within the Santa Lucia Mountains. You will be joined on your adventure by Daniel Bohlman, the Deputy-President of The Land Conservancy, a San Luis Obispo land trust. The crown jewel of this trip is the 234-acre foot lake, the fourth largest privately-owned lake in the county. You will also explore the downstream riparian habitat, chaparral and coastal oak woodlands. Walking boots are a necessity! Meets at Santa Rita Ranch in Templeton. 3520 Old Creek Road, Templeton.

105 Casual Little Big Day Thursday, 08:30 am - 01:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY \$55

This is slower paced "Big Day" for beginning and intermediate birders. Starting at a reasonable morning hour and getting back right after lunch, you will be in a spacious bus with large windows, visiting local birding hot spots, returning with a new long list of birds! There are many on/off the bus birding spots in a variety of habitats. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

106 Shoreline Birding for Beginners Thursday, 09:00 am - 11:30 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Los Osos Multiple Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Learn to identify the more common gulls and shorebirds along the beaches of Baywood Park in Los Osos. The walk begins at the pier, on to Pasadena beach park, and to the 4th St Audubon Lookout. Designed for beginners and lower intermediate adults. Walk is mostly on damp sand, and under 1 mile. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

107 Birding by Kayak Thursday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY \$50

Go on a guided kayak tour of Morro Bay for an up close opportunity to see birds in their natural habitat! You may see: White Pelicans, brant, Common Loons and a host of other migratory waterfowl and shorebirds. Paddle near the Heron Rookery, Grassy Island oyster farm, mudflats and channels of the Back Bay. Using double kayaks, no prior kayaking experience needed. Dress in layers with the following guidelines: synthetics or wool, no cotton, windbreaker jacket, hat for sun and wind protection, and shoes that can get wet. Weather conditions may cancel. Meets at the Morro Bay State Park Marina Kayak Shop. 10 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

# Thursday – continued – January 13, 2022

108 Songbirds in the Pines Thursday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Black Hill La Loma Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Take a short drive to pine woods on the slopes of Black Hill in Morro Bay, where you will hike trails searching for towhees, finches, woodpeckers and other birds of this habitat. Easy to moderate hiking for advanced beginner to intermediate birders. 5 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Easy. Guide is able to present this walk in Spanish. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

109 Bird Montana de Oro State Park Thursday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Montana de Oro Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Montana de Oro is a spectacular 8,600-acre state park with untamed coastline and coastal uplands. Expect rocky-shore shorebirds, water birds, raptors, and passerines in various habitats. Includes 1-2 miles of slow walking. 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

110 Master Class - Falconry Experience Thursday, 09:00 am - 02:00 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Camp Ocean Pines Meet@:Camp Ocean Pines \$85

Falconry is the activity of hunting with trained birds of prey. It started around 5,000 BCE and has been in continuous practice worldwide. UNESCO has recognized falconry as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, giving falconry a unique status. Experienced falconers working with wildlife agencies have helped bring raptor population back from the edge of extinction. Present day falconers often provide eco-friendly pest control, using thousands of years of predator/prey relationships to protect things humans care about - like wine grapes, blueberries, and safe air travel! This Master Class will introduce you to the ancient practice. You will be introduced to the practice of falconry, the various birds used, and an opportunity to create a piece of leather gear used in sport. One of the highlights of the day will be experiencing a trained raptor flying to your glove. Come learn what historical and present-day falconry is all about. Meets at Camp Ocean Pines, 1473 Randall Dr, Cambria. Lunch will be included.

111 Master Class - Feathers Thursday, 09:00 am - 02:00 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay \$65

Did you know that birds are the only living creatures with feathers? Feather expert, John Schmitt, will guide us through new knowledge about the evolutionary history, structure, and artistic beauty of feathers. Learn the various shapes and how birds use them. Learn about the rachis, calamus, and pennaceous vs plumulaceous regions. Do you know how individual feathers differ? How is a wing feather different from a tail, contour, semi-plume, and down feather? Did you know feathers have more purposes beyond flight? Some feathers can even make sounds! John will share samples of his spectacular collection of feathers from all over the world as he describes their appearance and function. Bring your own feather or picture of a feather for the class to identify together. This is a rare opportunity for in-depth learning about feathers from a world-renowned expert - the ultimate feather master class! Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay. Lunch will be included.

112 Master Class - Pro Gull ID Thursday, 09:00 am - 03:00 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay \$65

Gulls are intelligent, adaptable, and beautiful birds, members of a large, widespread family of seabirds. However, they're notoriously difficult to identify. Entire books focus on differentiating one gull from another. This one has a black head. This one has a yellow bill with a black ring. One has a light gray back, and another a medium gray back. How about the yellow bill with a red spot? Did you know many gulls look similar but have different color legs? After this master class, you will be able to spot some of the differences for yourself. Join local expert, Kaaren Perry, to learn the variation within species, in different seasons, and juvenile plumages through the years. Our study group for the workshop will be resident and wintering gull species of SLO County. Although variation in species is easy to overlook, this is a true master class in the subtle differences from one species to another. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay. Lunch will be included.

# Thursday – continued – January 13, 2022

113 Master Class - Bird Photography Thursday, 09:00 am - 05:00 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$125

Are you the type who will spend hours, days, or even weeks just observing birds, waiting for the perfect shot? Wildlife photographers get unique images which can be vital to science, education, and conservation in addition to being beautiful art. Impactful photographs strike an emotional chord with the viewer. Along with technical skill, patience is required to succeed in this specialty area. Learn from experts how to ethically photograph wildlife without alerting or alarming them. Join Don Quintana and Sarah Killingsworth, professional wildlife photographers, who will take you into the field to capture your own set of photos. The camera and lenses are your primary tools, but creativity and compositional skills are critical components. Both Nikon and Canon equipment will be represented. Explore the mechanics and uses for the different settings on your camera and how to select different options to create the best results. Whether you aspire to work as a commercial photographer, create art, or simply want to enhance your photography skills, this master class will help you grow as a photographer. You will learn to improve your ability to create the best photographs possible. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay. Lunch will be included.

114 Master Class - Nature Journaling Thursday, 09:00 am - 05:00 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay \$125

This Master Class features one of the recognized masters of Nature Journaling: John Muir Laws. You will be guided through lessons and exercises based on his book *The Laws Guide to Drawing Birds*. Jack (his preferred nickname) will be providing instruction, exercises, examples, and one-on-one support for the drawing and sketching of birds as a means of improving ornithological observation skills. All levels of drawing skill are welcome and encouraged to attend. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay. The goal of nature journaling is not to create a portfolio of pretty pictures but to develop a tool to help you see, wonder, and remember your experiences. You can learn to do this. You do not need to be an artist or a naturalist. These are skills you will develop as you go. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay. Lunch will be included.

115 Bay Birding Cruise Thursday, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours BY \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

116 Snowy Plovers in the Field Thursday, 12:30 pm - 03:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Meet@:Cloisters, Azure Street BY

Explore the beach for Western Snowy Plovers and learn about their habits. Hear the life history of this small bird and why it is listed as a Federally Threatened Species. Up to 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at 150 Azure Street, Cloisters, Morro Bay.

117 Los Osos Hot Spots Walking Tour Thursday, 01:00 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Los Osos Multiple Meet@:South Bay Community Center

This will be a four-mile perambulation on foot around Los Osos and the edge of the Morro Bay estuary. You will find birds in a variety of habitats including coastal scrub, beach, tidal marsh, mudflats, open bay, and willow thickets. The walk will stop and explore at 6-8 birding hotspots including Elfin Forest, Audubon Overlook, Back Bay, Sweet Springs, Doris Ave Marsh, and end up at Pecho Willows. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

# Thursday – continued – January 13, 2022

118 Birding Morro Strand Thursday, 01:00 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Meet@:Cloisters, Azure Street

Enjoy a slow paced, level stroll on Morro Strand, past a pond, through coastal scrub, and then onto a sandy beach to observe ducks, herons, gulls, terns, grebes and several species of shorebirds including Snowy Plovers. Moderate 1.5-2 mile walk with some soft sand. Meets at 150 Azure Street, Cloisters, Morro Bay.

119 Birding Laguna Lake Thursday, 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Laguna Lake Meet@:Laguna Lake BY

Laguna Lake and the surrounding park are a migratory stop and home to many waterfowl, including ducks, gulls, grebes, shorebirds, herons, egrets, Snow Geese. Join us to see these and other birds like House Finch, Goldfinch, meadowlarks, raptors and even a possible Loggerhead Shrike. Beginners welcome! Includes 1 mile of level walking. 30 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Easy. 504 Madonna Rd, San Luis Obispo, meet at the Laguna Lake bathrooms.

120 Bay Birding Cruise Thursday, 02:00 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours BY \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

121 Birds of Morro Rock Thursday, 02:00 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Rock Meet@:Morro Rock BY

Morro Rock is home to Peregrine Falcons, Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher, Common Yellowthroat, various sparrows, the elusive Canyon Wren, and sometimes a Burrowing Owl!. You will also see cormorants, various species and age classes of gulls, Brown Pelicans and maybe a Common Murre. Easy. Meets at Morro Rock. Coleman Drive, Morro Bay. Meet across from bathrooms, next to Morro Rock.

122 Birding the Elfin Forest Thursday, 02:00 pm - 04:00 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Elfin Forest Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

The Elfin Forest of Los Osos encompasses 7 habitats visible from a boardwalk, with bay overlooks. Expect to see raptors, passerines and shorebirds in this easy-paced walk. Beginners welcome! The 'Magic' of the Elfin Forest is in the adaptability of the various plant communities with hidden beauty found everywhere. This trip is accessible to wheelchairs or people using walkers and canes. Total walking distance will be about 1.5 miles. 15 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Easy. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

123 Science, Style, and Substance with Allis Markham - Nassologist Thursday, 06:00 pm - 07:00 pm

Birding Presentation

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay

Join Allis Markham, award-winning taxidermist / Nassologist. The title alone should pique your interest! Learn how Ali creates life-like bird mounts for the Natural History Museum of Santa Barbara, Moore Lab of Zoology, The Huntington Library, The Frost Museum of Science, Colorado State University and The Getty. Allis has been featured in The New York Times, Washington Post, LA Weekly and more. You can also watch the critically acclaimed documentary STUFFED which followed her for several years or listen to her Ologies podcast. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

# Friday, January 14, 2022

201 Big Day Birding Friday, 06:45 am - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$75

Join your leader for a BIG DAY of birding! Expect a fast-paced day, with the possibility of rapid ID of over 100 species at hot spots in SLO County. Special effort on regional specialties and rarities. Pace to be determined by the leader with input from the group. Travel in bus with leader with many in/out stops. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

202 Bird Banding Friday, 07:00 am - 10:00 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina

Observe mist-netted passerines in Morro Bay State Park with California State Park Environmental Scientists. Discuss identification, analysis and bird-banding data collection and techniques. Probable species captured include sparrows and Yellow-rumped Warblers. Rain cancels. Meets at the South end of the Morro Bay State Park Marina parking lot.

203 Big Day Birding Friday, 07:00 am - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$75

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204 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales Friday, 07:00 am - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Landing Meet@:Morro Bay Landing \$110

Search for albatross, shearwaters, kittiwakes, alcids, jaegers, gray whales and more with experienced leaders. Dress for cold and wind, including gloves. The boat is typically used for fishing; no outdoor seating on deck. There is seating available in the cabin, as well as snacks and drinks for sale. Bring lunch, liquids and sunscreen, and take motion sickness medication before arriving. Note that the boat does not wait for late arrivals. Participants will meet at Morro Bay Landing, 1213 Embarcadero, Morro Bay. (Phone 805-771-5500.) Weather conditions may cancel.

205 Big Day Birding Friday, 07:30 am - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$75

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206 Birding Montaña de Oro Friday, 07:45 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Montana de Oro Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Watch birds in a rugged coastal park with spectacular shorelines and canyons. Take a gentle walk through a variety of habitats, including coastal scrublands and pine-studded campgrounds. Follow Islay Creek to its outlet to the sea observing possible passerines, raptors and shorebirds. Includes 1-2 miles of easy walking. 20 miles round-trip by personal vehicle. Easy. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.



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207 Birding Las Cruzitas Ranch Friday, 07:45 am - 02:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Las Cruzitas Ranch Meet@:Las Cruzitas Ranch BW

Designed for those driving NORTH TO the Festival from the south. This site is 75 miles SOUTH of Morro Bay! Meet at Albertson's parking lot in Buellton, CA (Hwy 246 east exit from 101). Leader will have list of registered participants; you may check in at the Festival after this event. Meet Cher Hollingworth - 805-588-0252 - in Buellton and travel by personal vehicle to Las Cruzitas, a private 1,500-acre cattle ranch including oak grassland and sage-covered canyons. You will be met by Cruz Phillips, the ranch owner, who will lead the trip. Expect to see yellow-billed magpies, vesper and lark sparrows, band-tailed pigeons, red-breasted sapsuckers, golden eagles, and possibly burrowing owls, prairie falcons, phainopeplas, red-naped Sapsuckers and Lewis' woodpeckers. At least 30 species are seen from the ranch house bird feeders alone, so folks who cannot walk far can sit in the yard and have a great time birding. Bring lunch. Meet at Las Cruzitas Ranch, 1100 Alisos Rd, Santa Ynez.

208 Advanced Bird Photography Friday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

For experienced photographers. Bring your camera, lenses, tripod, and binoculars (spotting scope optional) to photograph birds at local hot spots with expert photographers who will offer instruction for great images. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

209 Birding Along the Bay Friday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Bayshore Bluffs Park Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Enjoy a walk along the edge of the bay! Starting at Bayshore Bluffs Park, we will walk by the Inn at Morro Bay to view the heron rookery, on to the mudflat shore, then State Park Museum, and finally to the salt marsh. By walking along the edge of the bay, you will see a variety of habitats for many different birds. When the hike is completed, you will be near the Bayside Cafe where you can enjoy an informal no-host post-walk lunch with your new friends. Moderate pace; distance about 4 miles round trip from your car at Bayshore Bluffs Park. Walk back to cars at your own pace afterward. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

210 Birding by Careful Observation Friday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: El Chorro Park Meet@:El Chorro Park B

Leisurely in-depth bird observation and ID skills enhancement with a stroll through El Chorro Regional Park sharing observations of bird characteristics. Field guides will be checked to verify. This trip is aimed at all level of birders including those who want to teach others how to learn bird ID most effectively. Bring binoculars and a favorite field guide. 15 miles round trip by personal vehicle. State Hwy 1 @ Dairy Creek Rd. Meet at SLO Botanical Gardens.

211 Birding with The Keynote Speaker Friday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center B \$65

John Muir Laws is an expert in nature observation and recording through journals. Join up for a unique opportunity to observe and sketch birds in the field with this acclaimed expert. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

212 Birding with The Keynote Speaker Friday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center B \$65

People sign up with Ray Van Buskirk to go on birding trips all over the globe! He is in Morro Bay this weekend, and he also knows OUR local birds.! Join up for a unique opportunity to "go birding" in the field with this acclaimed expert and our keynote speaker. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

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213 Harmony Headlands Friday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Harmony Headlands Meet@:Harmony Headlands

Enjoy a long walk (4 miles round trip), to bird various habitats beginning at a riparian zone, moving through grasslands, past vernal pools, and down to the rocky coast. Meets at the Harmony Headlands trailhead parking lot, . Hwy 1, 5 miles north of Cayucos. Look for Linn's billboard.

214 Birds of the North Coast Friday, 08:00 am - 02:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Elephant Seal Rookery

Visit spots along the rugged North Coast to look for surfbirds, turnstones, Snowy Plovers, scoters, mergansers, loons, grebes, gulls and more. We always hope to see a variety of raptors, including Peregrine Falcons, Golden Eagles, Bald Eagles, Ferruginous Hawks and Burrowing Owls. 60 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at the Elephant Seal Rookery north of San Simeon. Hwy 1, 7 miles north of San Simeon.

215 Meander Morro Bay Marina Friday, 08:30 am - 11:00 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina W

The Morro Bay State Park Marina boardwalk provides excellent opportunities for viewing a variety of birds on a level half-mile walk especially suited for photographers and people with wheelchairs and those using walkers and canes. Local birds often seen from the boardwalk include: shorebirds, ducks, geese, loons, grebes, gulls, terns and herons, Peregrine Falcons, warblers, sparrows, finches and more! Meet at east end of the State Park Marina parking lot, across from Morro Bay State Park Campground. Easy.

216 Birding for Beginners Workshop Friday, 08:30 am - 11:30 am Birding Presentation/Field Trip

Venue: Museum Meet@:Museum BY

Get a jump start for your bird festival experience. Learn the techniques needed to boost your birding skills and get a preview of the birds you are likely to see during the weekend. During the presentation, the resources of the Morro Bay State Park Museum will be used to illustrate the criteria for bird identification. You will practice making observations, learn to use binoculars and spotting scopes and learn about resources available for ongoing skill building. Following the presentation, participants will put their new skills to use on a birding expedition around the museum and State Park area. Easy, family oriented, but not appropriate for young children. Meet at Morro Bay Museum of Natural History. 20 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

217 Back Bay Birding Friday, 08:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Los Osos Multiple Meet@:South Bay Community Center

Join your leaders for a flat 2-3 mile walk birding the diverse shoreline habitats of the Back Bay, including Sweet Springs Nature Preserve, Cuesta Inlet and Pecho Willows. Expect a variety of shorebirds, waterfowl, raptors and passerines. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

218 Birding Estero Bluffs Friday, 08:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Estero Bluffs Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Join leaders for intermediate birding on a walk of 1.5-2 miles along the Estero Bluff trail. Expect rock-loving shorebirds such as Black and Ruddy Turnstones, Surfbirds, Whimbrels, scoters, terns, gulls and maybe a Harlequin Duck. 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.



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219 Santa Rita Ranch Diverse Habitats Friday, 08:30 am - 12:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Santa Rita Ranch Meet@:Santa Rita Ranch

Be one of the first to explore the rolling grass-covered foothills of the Santa Rita Ranch within the Santa Lucia Mountains. You will be joined on your adventure by Daniel Bohlman, the Deputy-President of The Land Conservancy, a San Luis Obispo land trust. The crown jewel and so focus of this trip is the 234-acre foot lake, the fourth largest privately-owned lake in the county. You will also explore the downstream riparian habitat, chaparral and coastal oaklands. Walking boots are a necessity! Meets at Santa Rita Ranch in Templeton. 3520 Old Creek Road, Templeton.

220 Big Day at Santa Margarita Lake Friday, 08:45 am - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station Meet@:Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station BY

All-day birding extravaganza walking along the lakeshore searching for waterfowl and oak woodland species in the morning, followed by a walk along the Salinas River as it flows into the lake. Bring snacks, water and a picnic lunch. Up to 4 miles of walking. Suitable for all experience levels. 70-90 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Parking fees will be waived for Bird Festival participants for this event. Meets at Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station. 4695 Santa Margarita Lake Road, Santa Margarita.

221 Bay Birding Photo Cruise Friday, 09:00 am - 10:45 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours B \$35

Join expert photographer and enjoy a leisurely photography focused boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

222 The Diverse Birds of Morro Bay Friday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Visit the best birding spots in Morro Bay, around the estuary, Morro Rock, the bay, the marina and more. Look for shorebirds, water birds and land birds. 15 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

223 Birding by Kayak Friday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY \$50

Go on a guided kayak tour of Morro Bay for an up close opportunity to see birds in their natural habitat! You may see: White Pelicans, brant, Common Loons and a host of other migratory waterfowl and shorebirds. Paddle near the Heron Rookery, Grassy Island oyster farm, mudflats and channels of the Back Bay. Using double kayaks, no prior kayaking experience needed. Dress in layers with the following guidelines: synthetics or wool, no cotton, windbreaker jacket, hat for sun and wind protection, and shoes that can get wet. Weather conditions may cancel. Meets at the Morro Bay State Park Marina Kayak Shop. 10 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

224 Gulls of SLO Identified Friday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Presentation/Field Trip

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay

Learn techniques to identify resident and wintering gulls. Discussion of species, distribution, aging and plumages will be presented immediately followed by a fun morning of birding with a focus on our local gulls. You will have a chance to practice identifying and aging the gull species easily viewable on the shore. Binoculars are necessary and scopes are recommended but not required. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

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225 Owl Box Building and Wine Tasting at Wolff Winery Friday, 09:00 am - 01:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Wolff Vineyards Meet@:Wolff Vineyards \$35

The bucolic location for this workshop is at one of the first certified sustainable vineyards on the Central Coast, build an owl box, have lunch and sample wine! Wolff Vineyard, under the guidance of expert vintner Jean-Pierre Wolff, has focused on enhancing native resource enhancement for bird habitat, wildlife corridors, and steelhead trout restoration on boundary creeks, which then creates opportunities for a variety of bird species. Expert woodworkers will guide us in building an owl box, which can be taken home or donated to the vineyard. Toast your new skills with some of Wolff Vineyards award winning wines over lunch (bring your own) and enjoy the panoramic view of the Edna Valley. Note that as one box will be built by each pair of participants, bring your partner! The optional wine tasting has a discounted fee of \$10, refundable with bottle purchase. Meets at Wolff Vineyards. 6238 Orcutt Road, San Luis Obispo.

226 Morro Bay Estuary from Black Hill Friday, 10:00 am - 11:30 am Nature Field Trip

Venue: Black Hill Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Hike to the top of Black Hill for a remarkable view of the bay and watershed. Learn the history and ecology of the Morro Bay estuary, and important conservation actions taking place to protect this special resource, as you also look for a variety of birds that live here. The Morro Bay estuary is one of only 28 National Estuaries and is an Audubon Important Bird Area. The trail is steep in places but less than 1/2 mile in length. 5 miles roundtrip by personal vehicle. Moderate to Strenuous. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

227 Morro Bay Nature Cruise Friday, 10:00 am - 11:45 am Nature Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Landing Meet@:Morro Bay Landing BY \$35

While you will see birds, the focus of this trip is the natural history of Morro Rock and features of the estuary using photos, diagrams and hands-on materials. Enjoy a bay cruise on a pontoon boat and learn the local sights and activities of this working harbor. There will be opportunities to photograph wintering birds, otters, and sea lions. Easy access for limited mobility. Participants will meet at Morro Bay Landing, 1213 Embarcadero, Morro Bay. (Phone 805-771-5500.) Weather conditions may cancel.

228 Snowy Plovers in the Field Friday, 11:15 am - 12:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Meet@:Cloisters, Azure Street BY

Explore the beach for Western Snowy Plovers and learn about their habits. Hear the life history of this small bird and why it is listed as a Federally Threatened Species. Up to 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at 150 Azure Street, Morro Bay.

229 Condor Recovery Friday, 12:30 pm - 02:00 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay BYW

The endangered California Condor population, once near the brink of extinction, has been on the recovery the past several decades due to innovative management techniques and dedicated work by staff biologists and volunteers. Get an overview of condor biology and an update on the captive breeding and reintroduction program (including a new release site locally in San Luis Obispo County), radio and GPS tracking data, fledgling success from recent nesting in the wild and future management challenges. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

230 Basics of Bird ID in the Field Friday, 01:00 pm - 03:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY

Join your leaders for Basics of Bird ID in the field. Bring binoculars and your field guide. Meet at the South end of the Morro Bay State Park Marina parking lot.

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231 Plugging into Bird Song Magic Workshop Friday, 01:00 pm - 04:30 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Bird songs are Nature's Music. We can plug into this magic no matter how good we are at finding birds with our eyes. These sounds are already coming at us from 360 degrees. The focus of this workshop by is to increase our birding enjoyment via improving our skills as auditory birders. Some prior experience trying to identify birds by ear will surely be useful, but all experience levels are welcome. Explore the principles of describing bird vocalizations in general and become familiar with specific vocalizations of common birds in the Morro Bay area. This workshop is a prerequisite for Bird Sounds Field Study field trips. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

232 Pacific Wildlife Care Tour Friday, 01:30 pm - 03:30 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Pacific Wildlife Care Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Pacific Wildlife Care Center is our local wildlife rehabilitation facility - caring for hundreds of animals each year, most of them birds! Learn about PWC's work treating ill or injured birds due to oil-spills, lead-poison and so many other dangers. PWC is a primary facility under the Oiled Wildlife Care Network, you will learn the rehabilitation process for oil-affected birds. 2 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Easy. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

233 Gardening to Attract Birds Friday, 01:30 pm - 03:30 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: SLO Botanical Garden Meet@:SLO Botanical Garden B

A tour of the San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden to highlight plants from the five Mediterranean climate zones of the world providing insight for your own garden bird habitat. See many nectar-producing flowers with various ways of pollination. Hummingbirds are often seen in the winter-blooming South African aloe garden. 15 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Easy. State Hwy 1 @ Dairy Creek Rd. Meet at SLO Botanical Gardens. 3450 Dairy Creek Road, San Luis Obispo

234 Bird Recording Friday, 01:30 pm - 03:30 pm Birding Presentation/Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center B

Enhance your birding by learning how to record calls and songs. Join your leader to learn techniques in an interactive workshop immediately followed by recording birds in the field! Bring your cell phone and download the app: Song Sleuth (Auto Bird Song ID). Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

235 Finding those Elusive Owls Friday, 02:00 pm - 03:00 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BYW

Learn how to find those elusive owls. Learn field ID, seasonality, vocalizations, range, habitat and owling etiquette. Live and mounted owl specimens will help participants identify and appreciate owls. Review the natural history of local species and learn tips that will give you the best chance of finding owls on your own. While workshop is a prerequisite for the owling field trips, participants may take only the workshop. Bus will leave for the first owling field trip at 3:30 PM, directly after end of workshop. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

236 Conserving the Black Rail Friday, 02:00 pm - 03:00 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay

The Black Rail is one of California's rarest, most secretive, and most threatened birds. How do you conserve a species that is rarely seen and hardly known? Find out by joining UC Berkeley Professor Steve Beissinger - an ornithologist and conservation biologist who has been studying Black Rails in California for the last 20 years for a glimpse of the railosphere and the process of unclocking a bird that lives like a mouse. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

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237 Bay Birding Cruise Friday, 02:00 pm - 03:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Landing Meet@:Morro Bay Landing \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Participants will meet at Morro Bay Landing, 1213 Embarcadero, Morro Bay. (Phone 805-771-5500.) Weather conditions may cancel.

238 Birding Morro Rock Friday, 02:00 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Rock Meet@:Morro Rock BY

Morro Rock is home to Peregrine Falcons, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Common Yellowthroat, various sparrows, the elusive Canyon Wren, and sometimes a Burrowing Owl!. You will also see cormorants, various species and age classes of gulls, Brown Pelicans and maybe a Common Murre. Meets at Morro Rock. Coleman Drive, Morro Bay. Meet across from bathrooms, next to Morro Rock.

239 Peregrine Falcons of Morro Rock Friday, 02:30 pm - 05:00 pm Birding Presentation/Field Trip

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay BYW

Through lecture and observation, you will learn the biology and current status of local resident Peregrine Falcons from the author "The Peregrine Falcons of Morro Rock". This famous Morro Rock nesting site was a critical link in saving the species from extinction and has been monitored for over 50 years. Easy. The address is 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

240 Rookery Wonders in Windy Cove Friday, 03:00 pm - 04:30 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Museum Meet@:Museum BYW

Learn about courtship rituals and nesting habits of Great Blue Herons, Great and Snowy Egrets, Black-crowned Night-herons and other residents of the rookery in Morro Bay State Park. Meet at Morro Bay Museum of Natural History. 20 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

241 Bay Birding Cruise Friday, 03:00 pm - 04:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours BY \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

242 The Morro Bay Estuary Friday, 03:30 pm - 04:30 pm Nature Presentation

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BW

The Morro Bay estuary serves as a vital stopover and wintering ground for migratory birds, and is home to many plants and wildlife that cannot be found anywhere else. The U.S. Congress recognized Morro Bay as an Estuary of National Significance in 1995. It is still considered the largest relatively undisturbed wetland in Central and Southern California. Rachel Pass, NEP Communication and Outreach Coordinator, will show you how the Morro Bay National Estuary Program works to protect and restore this special place. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

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243 Owling Field Trip    Friday, 03:30 pm - 09:30 pm    Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center    Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center    \$55

Daytime owls 3:30-5:30 PM. 'Dutch treat' dinner 5:30-6:30 PM. Nighttime owls 6:30-8:30 PM. Bus leaves from Community Center at 3:30 PM and returns 9:00ish PM. Beginning with daytime owling to hunt for Short-eared and Burrowing Owls and any roosting owls. We will stop for no-host dinner to share stories as we wait for dark. After dark, owling in the San Luis Obispo area. Dress warmly in quiet clothes (no nylon) and be prepared get in and out of the van, walk quietly through mud in the dark, then to stand silently for long periods of time, in freezing cold weather, while it is pitch black, listening for owls! Sounds like a good time to me! Possibilities: Great-horned, Western Screech, Saw-whet, Short-eared, Barn Owls, Poorwill and more. Travel with leader in bus with many in/out stops. Heavy rain will cancel field trip, but not workshop. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

244 Twenty-fifth Anniversary Celebration    Friday, 05:00 pm - 06:30 pm    Birding Special Event

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center    Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center    BW

Enjoy time with friends celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Morro Bay Winter Bird Festival. Special side table presentation by Allis Markham. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

# Saturday, January 15, 2022

301 Bird Banding Saturday, 07:00 am - 10:00 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina

Observe mist-netted passerines in Morro Bay State Park with California State Park Environmental Scientists. Discuss identification, analysis and bird-banding data collection and techniques. Probable species captured include sparrows and Yellow-rumped Warblers. Rain cancels. Meets at the South end of the Morro Bay State Park Marina. 10 State Park Road.

302 Bird Song Magic in the Field Saturday, 07:00 am - 11:30 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Join your leader in the field for the hands-on companion to the Bird Sounds Workshop. Solidify the general principles learned with practical experience and field identification of specific local bird songs and calls. We will stand at different locations, silently noting bird sounds, then discuss as a group. Notebooks needed, but binoculars are not! The Friday afternoon Bird Sounds Workshop #231 is a prerequisite for this event. Total walking distance will be about 1.2 miles. Easy. Travel by personal vehicle. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

303 Wildlife of Point Buchon Saturday, 07:00 am - 02:00 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Point Buchon Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Explore the spectacular scenic coastline at Point Buchon with seasoned leaders. Learn the background of this historic ranch and the efforts to regenerate the Bishop pine forest along the ridges overlooking the ocean. Look for marine mammals, gulls and shorebirds -- maybe even a peregrine falcon. Bring your camera to capture the striking sea stacks that dot this coastline and peek into a dramatic sink hole. Be prepared for wind and cool weather. 22 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Active four-mile round trip hike. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

304 Big Day Birding Saturday, 07:00 am - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$75

Join your leader for a BIG DAY of birding! Expect a fast-paced day, with the possibility of rapid ID of over 100 species at hot spots in SLO County. Special effort on regional specialties and rarities. Pace to be determined by the leader with input from the group. Travel in bus with leader and many in/out stops. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

305 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales Saturday, 07:00 am - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Landing Meet@:Morro Bay Landing \$110

Search for albatross, shearwaters, kittiwakes, alcids, jaegers, gray whales and more with experienced leaders. Dress for cold and wind, including gloves. The boat is typically used for fishing; no outdoor seating on deck. There is seating available in the cabin, as well as snacks and drinks for sale. Bring lunch, liquids and sunscreen, and take motion sickness medication before arriving. Note that the boat does not wait for late arrivals. Participants will meet at Morro Bay Landing, 1213 Embarcadero, Morro Bay. (Phone 805-771-5500.) Weather conditions may cancel.

306 Condor Exploration Saturday, 07:00 am - 05:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Explore the habitat of the California condor. Our goal Bitter Creek National Wildlife Refuge, a release and supplemental feeding site for captive-bred California Condors. Observations of free-flying condors at Bitter Creek NWR are very likely, but cannot be guaranteed. If Bitter Creek is closed due to winter weather, we will head to condor lands on the north coast of San Simeon or Big Sur. We will be looking for other raptors including eagles, hawks, harriers, falcons and accipiters. The trip will focus on condor biology and the condor recovery program. Personal vehicles. Bring lunch or money for a lunch stop. Meets at the Morro Bay Community Center, 1001 Kennedy Way.



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307 Birding Estero Bluffs Saturday, 07:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Estero Bluffs Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Enjoy a slow-paced walk of 1.5-2 miles along a beautiful and wild ocean bluff trail. Expect rock-loving shorebirds such as Black and Ruddy Turnstones, Surfbirds, Whimbrels, scoters, terns, gulls and maybe a Harlequin Duck. 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

308 Bird Montana de Oro State Park Saturday, 07:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Montana de Oro Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Montana de Oro is a spectacular 8,600-acre state park with untamed coastline and coastal uplands. Expect rocky-shore shorebirds, water birds, raptors, and passerines in various habitats. Includes 1-2 miles of slow walking. 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at the South Bay Community Center, 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

309 Birding by Kayak Saturday, 08:00 am - 11:00 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY \$50

Go on a guided kayak tour of Morro Bay for an up close opportunity to see birds in their natural habitat! You may see: White Pelicans, brant, Common Loons and a host of other migratory waterfowl and shorebirds. Paddle near the Heron Rookery, Grassy Island oyster farm, mudflats and channels of the Back Bay. Using double kayaks, no prior kayaking experience needed. Dress in layers with the following guidelines: synthetics or wool, no cotton, windbreaker jacket, hat for sun and wind protection, and shoes that can get wet. Weather conditions may cancel. Meets at the Morro Bay State Park Marina Kayak Shop. 10 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

310 Ranchland Birding Saturday, 08:00 am - 11:30 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Vandenheuvel Ranch Meet@:Vandenheuvel Ranch

Tour a portion of the 1,200-acre private Vandenheuvel Ranch, a 30 minute carpool from the Morro Bay Community Center. The ranch has native chaparral, oak woodland, and grasslands habitat, providing the opportunity to see various raptors (including golden eagles), meadowlarks, bluebirds, woodpeckers, and more. The property also contains a flight pen to rehabilitate birds of prey from the Pacific Wildlife Center. Expect about 1 mile or less of slow walking over mostly level terrain and multiple car stops. Wear sturdy shoes, bring a snack and water. Meets at the Ranch, 1960 Montecito Road, Cayucos.

311 Wintering Birds at Cal Poly Pier Saturday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Cal Poly Pier Meet@:Cal Poly Pier BW

The Cal Poly Pier in Avila Beach is closed to the public but open to you! Learn about the research being done here as you walk this manmade 1/2 mile extension into San Luis Bay. Expect to see wintering water birds, and other marine life. Then walk to the mouth of San Luis Obispo Creek for a variety of shorebirds. Total walking distance will be 2 miles, all on paved surfaces, though closed-toed shoes are required. Minimum age for trip is 14. The pier is accessible to people in wheelchairs, but not suitable for canes, tripods or walkers. 50 miles round trip by personal vehicle. 3254 Avila Beach Dr, Avila Beach

312 Birds of the North Coast Saturday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Elephant Seal Rookery

Join Wendy and John as we search different hotspots along the rugged North Coast to look for surfbirds, turnstones, snowy plovers, scoters, mergansers, loons, grebes, gulls and more. We always hope to see a variety of raptors, including peregrine falcons, golden eagles, ferruginous hawks and burrowing owls. Sixty miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at the Elephant Seal Rookery north of San Simeon. Hwy 1, 7 miles north of San Simeon.

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313 Birding Fiscalini Ranch Preserve Saturday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Fiscalini Ranch Meet@:Fiscalini Ranch

Bird Cambria's Fiscalini Ranch on a moderate three-mile hike through grassland, mixed oak/Monterey pine forest and coastal bluffs. Expect a diversity of birds, including sparrows, birds of prey, Pygmy Nuthatches and rocky shore shorebirds. Pace will be determined by leader and desires of the group. 50 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Meets at Fiscalini Ranch south end, 2799 Windsor Blvd, Cambria.

314 Birding Morro Strand Saturday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Meet@:Cloisters, Azure Street

Enjoy a slow paced, level stroll on Morro Strand, past a pond, through coastal scrub, and then onto sandy beach to observe ducks, herons, gulls, terns, grebes and several species of shorebirds including snowy plovers. Moderate 1.5-2 mile walk with some soft sand. Meets at 150 Azure Street, Cloisters, Morro Bay.

315 Smart Phone Bird Recording Saturday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Presentation/Field Trip

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay BW

Not a birding-by-ear expert yet? Learn how to record YOUR OWN bird sound ID's. You already record birds by photo, take the next step of recording bird songs! The leader loves recording bird sounds, and will walk you through field recording basics and how to save and share those recordings on your computer. After the presentation, the class will go outside and record a few sounds and download them to a laptop. Bring your smart phone and, if possible, your laptop. Prepare for the workshop by downloading: <http://morrobaybirdfestival.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Audio-Recording-Workshop.pdf>. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

316 Bare Naked Birding Saturday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Naked birding? Sounds exotic and possibly dangerous! But this 'naked' means NO TOOLS - just your eyes...no binoculars, scopes, cameras, or even ID books! Tools are great when you go birding on purpose, but often you are 'out and about,' for non-birding reasons. Your leader will help you enjoy 'accidental birding moments' by training your eyes and ears to identify birds without aids. Just like people have been doing for thousands of years. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

317 Birding by Careful Observation Saturday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: El Chorro Park Meet@:El Chorro Park BY

Leisurely in-depth bird observation and ID skills enhancement with a stroll through El Chorro Regional Park sharing observations of bird characteristics. Field guides will be checked to verify. This trip is aimed at all level of birders including those who want to teach others how to learn bird ID most effectively. Bring binoculars and a favorite field guide. State Hwy 1 @ Dairy Creek Rd. Meet at SLO Botanical Gardens. 3450 Dairy Creek Road, San Luis Obispo.

318 Birding with The Keynote Speaker Saturday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center B \$65

People sign up with Ray Van Buskirk to go on birding trips all over the globe! He is in Morro Bay this weekend, and he also knows OUR local birds.! Join up for a unique opportunity to "go birding" in the field with this acclaimed expert and our keynote speaker. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

319 Songbirds in the Pines Saturday, 08:15 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Black Hill La Loma Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Take a short drive to pine woods on the slopes of Black Hill in Morro Bay, where you will hike trails searching for towhees, finches, woodpeckers and other birds of this habitat. Easy to moderate hiking for advanced beginner to intermediate birders. 5 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Easy. Guide is able to present this walk in Spanish. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

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320 Montana de Oro Nature Walk Saturday, 08:30 am - 11:00 am [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Montana de Oro Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Enjoy a pleasant and level natural history walk along the Bluff Trail at Montana de Oro State Park for magnificent views and a variety of birds. You may see brown pelicans, black oystercatchers, turnstones, cormorants, sparrows and more. You may also see marine mammals: harbor seals, sea otters, and maybe spouting whales! Explore the rocky intertidal/tide pool ecosystem at Coralina Cove. 2-mile walk. Easy.. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

321A Snipe Hunt For Rails? Saturday, 08:30 am - 11:30 am [Birding Field Trip](#)

Venue: Oso Flaco Meet@:Oso Flaco

Join UC Berkeley Professor Steve Beissinger, an ornithologist and conservation biologist who has been studying Black Rails in California for the last 20 years, in the search for rails in this unique environment. We will explore the riparian habitat on our walk into the lake and then search for rails, and of course, any other birds, on the lake and surrounding areas. Meet at Oso Flaco parking lot, 3004 Oso Flaco Lake Road, Arroyo Grande.

322 Birding Elfin Forest & Sweet Springs Saturday, 08:30 am - 12:00 pm [Birding Field Trip](#)

Venue: Elfin Forest Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

The Elfin Forest and Sweet Springs Preserve provide a variety of habitats and bay overlooks. Expect to see raptors, passerines and shorebirds in this easy-paced walk. Beginners welcome! The Elfin Forest and portions of the Sweet Springs locations are accessible to people in wheelchairs or using walkers and canes. Total walking distance will be about 1.2 miles. Easy. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

323 Casual Little Big Day Saturday, 08:30 am - 01:30 pm [Birding Field Trip](#)

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY \$55

This is slower paced "Big Day" for beginning and intermediate birders. Starting at a reasonable morning hour and getting back right after lunch, you will be in a spacious bus with large windows, visiting local birding hot spots, returning with a new long list of birds! Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

324 Big Day at Santa Margarita Lake Saturday, 08:30 am - 03:15 pm [Birding Field Trip](#)

Venue: Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station Meet@:Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station

Join your leader for a big day of birding at Santa Margarita Lake. Meet at the Park entrance (navigate to 35.32372 - 120.49291). Parking fees will be waived for Festival participants. The trip will involve walking, driving, and scoping along the lakeshore, marsh, deciduous woodland, oak woodland, and Salinas River riparian area. It is possible to see over 60 species of birds. Bring snacks, water, and a picnic lunch. Spotting scopes are highly desirable. Up to 4 miles of walking. 70-90 miles round trip by personal vehicle, 45 minutes one-way from the Morro Bay. Moderate. Meets at Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station. 4695 Santa Margarita Lake Road, Santa Margarita.

325 Bay Birding Photo Cruise Saturday, 09:00 am - 10:45 am [Birding Field Trip](#)

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours B \$35

Join local expert photographer and enjoy a leisurely photography focused boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

326 Bay Birding Cruise Saturday, 09:00 am - 11:00 am [Birding Field Trip](#)

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours B \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay on the SSV Seaview, a semi-submersible boat with a below deck area to view life under the water line. Identify a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl in winter plumage at very close range as the boat moves slowly to see details of many species normally seen from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

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327 Shoreline Birding for Beginners Saturday, 09:00 am - 11:30 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Los Osos Multiple Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Seek out the more common gulls and shorebirds along the beaches of Baywood Park from the pier, to Pasadena beach park, to the 4th St Audubon Lookout. Designed for beginners and lower intermediate adults, and families with children at least 8 years old who are showing an interest in birds. Walk is mostly on damp sand, and under 1 mile. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

328 Birding by Kayak Saturday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY \$50

Go on a guided kayak tour of Morro Bay for an up close opportunity to see birds in their natural habitat! You may see: White Pelicans, brant, Common Loons and a host of other migratory waterfowl and shorebirds. Paddle near the Heron Rookery, Grassy Island oyster farm, mudflats and channels of the Back Bay. Using double kayaks, no prior kayaking experience needed. Dress in layers with the following guidelines: synthetics or wool, no cotton, windbreaker jacket, hat for sun and wind protection, and shoes that can get wet. Weather conditions may cancel. Meets at the Morro Bay State Park Marina Kayak Shop. 10 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

329 Snowy Plovers in the Field Saturday, 11:15 am - 12:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Meet@:Cloisters, Azure Street BY

Explore the beach for Western Snowy Plovers and learn about their habits. Hear the life history of this small bird and why it is listed as a Federally Threatened Species. Up to 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at 150 Azure Street, Cloisters, Morro Bay.

330 Bay Birding Cruise Saturday, 01:00 pm - 02:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours BY \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

331 Bay Birding Photo Cruise Saturday, 01:00 pm - 02:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours B \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay on the SSV Seaview, a semi-submersible boat with a below deck area to view life under the water line. Identify a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl in winter plumage at very close range as the boat moves slowly to see details of many species normally seen from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

332 Calling Birds In for Closer Study Saturday, 01:00 pm - 03:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY

Learn how birders use 'phishing' and other vocal sounds to attract birds for closer study. After an introductory workshop, try your new skills on a short field trip. Suitable for beginners and anyone who wants to learn about this obscure skill. Easy. Meets at the South end of the Morro Bay State Park Marina. 10 State Park Road.

333 The Otter Truth of Morro Bay Saturday, 01:00 pm - 03:00 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Morro Rock Meet@:Morro RockBY

Enjoy learning about the Southern Sea Otters at their favorite hangouts in Morro Bay! Leader will provide fascinating natural history of these marine mammal superheroes of a healthy kelp forest. 3 miles round trip by personal vehicle; 30 minute walk one way. Easy. Meets at Morro Rock. Coleman Drive, Morro Bay. Meet across from bathrooms, next to Morro Rock.

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334 Build a Kestrel Box Saturday, 01:00 pm - 03:00 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BYW \$25

Join a woodworking leader and build a kestrel box from a kit. Plans will be shared for other nest boxes participants may build at home. Leaders will discuss the need for boxes in specific species, as well as the care and placement of boxes in your landscape. Must be 12 years of age or older to participate, if under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

335 Beginning Bird Photography Saturday, 01:00 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay W

Tag along with a professional wildlife photographer and be guided through the basics of understanding bird photography. Whether you're capturing images for documentation or for artistic pleasure, you'll want to know what gear is best suited for your needs, how to compose a pleasing image and how to capture birds in their best light. Is photography the next step in your birding? This class is for you. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

336 eBird for Intermediate and Advanced Users Saturday, 02:00 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Presentation/Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Become an eBird expert! Beginning with a workshop in the field to focus on field skills, then moving to the 'classroom' to focus on how to use the online tools. Much of the eBird process is in using the mobile app now in the field. Bonus! Learn about the new Merlin sound ID and all kinds of other things coming out of Cornell. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

337 Birding By Ear Workshop Saturday, 02:00 pm - 04:30 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Meet@:Inn at Morro Bay W

Learning bird songs and calls will make you a better birder and enrich your birding experience. But it can be challenging! The leader will provide tips, tricks and mnemonic devices for identifying birds by sound, going over how to differentiate different groups of birds (how do you tell a finch from a warbler from a sparrow?) as well as reviewing songs and calls of the most common birds in this area. Open to all levels, beginner to advanced, who want to learn bird by ear skills. This workshop is a prerequisite for the Birding By Ear field trip. Meets at the Inn at Morro Bay, 60 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

338 Optics Demystified Saturday, 02:30 pm - 03:30 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BYW

Thinking about buying your first pair of "real" binoculars or upgrading the ones you have? Considering taking the leap to buy a spotting scope? Learn all about binoculars and scopes, and how particular products perform in different birding situations. What's more, try out a range of products to find out what feels right in your hands and to see the difference for yourself! Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

339 Bay Birding Cruise Saturday, 03:00 pm - 04:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours BY \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

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340 Meet the Raptors - Pacific Wildlife Care Saturday, 03:30 pm - 04:30 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BYW

Meet several birds of prey, including a Great Horned Owl, a Long-eared Owl, a Red-tailed Hawk and a Peregrine Falcon. These birds are educational ambassadors for Pacific Wildlife Care, a nonprofit wildlife rehabilitation center in Morro Bay. Several non-releasable birds of prey will be present including: great horned owl, a long-eared owl, a red-tailed hawk and a peregrine falcon. You will learn about the wonderful world of raptors and their important niche in the environment. Bring cameras and questions for this up-close study of raptors. You will learn about the wonderful world of raptors and their important niche in the environment. Bring cameras and questions for this up-close study of birds with binocular vision and sharp talons. General public event. Free for Festival attendees. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

341 Owling Field Trip Saturday, 03:30 pm - 09:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$55

Daytime owls 3:30-5:30 PM. 'Dutch treat' dinner 5:30-6:30 PM. Nighttime owls 6:30-8:30 PM. Bus leaves from Community Center at 3:30 PM and returns 9:00ish PM. Beginning with daytime owling to hunt for short-eared and burrowing owls and any roosting owls. We will stop for no-host dinner to share stories as we wait for dark. After dark, owling in the San Luis Obispo area. Dress warmly in quiet clothes (no nylon) and be prepared get in and out of the van, walk quietly through mud in the dark, then to stand silently for long periods of time, in freezing cold weather, while it is pitch black, listening for owls! Sounds like a good time to me! Possibilities: Great horned, Western Screech, Saw-whet, Short-eared, Barn Owls, poorwill and more. Travel with leader in bus with many in/out stops. Heavy rain will cancel field trip, but not workshop. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

342 Keynote Speaker - John Muir Laws Saturday, 07:00 pm - 08:30 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Cuesta College Performing Arts Center Meet@:Cuesta College Performing Arts Center BYW

The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Birders How can you see more and relate to birding in a way that gets you out of the house, into the field, and loving every minute of it. It is not about the size of your life list but the mindset that you bring to your adventures outdoors. John Muir Laws will explore seven practices and habits of mind that enhance your ability to notice more around you, connect with community, help protect birds, and have fun all the while. Cuesta College, Hwy 1 south of Morro Bay.



# Sunday, January 16, 2022

401 Birding the Carrizo Plain Sunday, 06:15 am - 05:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Carrizo Plains Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$85

Join expert leaders for a van trip to Carrizo Plain. Possible sightings are: Golden Eagle, Merlins, Prairie Falcon, Ferruginous Hawk, Mountain Plover, Bell's and Vesper Sparrow, Roadrunner, and more. This is unique habitat of semi-desert scrub, open grassland and juniper foothills. Time includes 4 hours round-trip travel many in/out bus stops. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

402 Bird Song Magic in the Field Sunday, 07:00 am - 11:30 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Join your leader in the field for the hands-on companion to the Bird Sounds Workshop. Solidify the general principles learned with practical experience and field identification of specific local bird songs and calls. We will stand at different locations, silently noting bird sounds, then discuss as a group. Notebooks needed, but binoculars are not! The Friday afternoon Bird Sounds Workshop is a prerequisite for this event. Total walking distance will be about 1.2 miles. Easy. Travel by personal vehicle 15 miles round trip. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

403 Wildlife of Point Buchon Sunday, 07:00 am - 12:00 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Point Buchon Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Explore the spectacular scenic coastline at Point Buchon with seasoned leaders. Learn the background of this historic ranch and the efforts to regenerate the Bishop pine forest along the ridges overlooking the ocean. Look for marine mammals, gulls and shorebirds -- maybe even a peregrine falcon. Bring your camera to capture the striking sea stacks that dot this coastline and peek into a dramatic sink hole. Be prepared for wind and cool weather. 22 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Active four-mile round trip hike. Active three-mile round trip hike. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

404 Half Day Pelagic Trip Sunday, 07:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Landing Meet@:Morro Bay Landing \$70

A short cruise out of Morro Bay offers likely views of whales, sea lions, sea otters and near-shore Pacific seabirds, including several species of shearwaters and auklets. Meet at Morro Bay Landing, 1213 Embarcadero in Morro Bay. Bring liquids, lunch and sunscreen, and take motion sickness medication prior to arriving. Dress for cold and wind, including gloves. The boat is typically used for fishing; no outdoor seating. There is seating available in the cabin. Note that the boat does not wait for late arrivals. Boat leaves from Morro Bay Landing, 1213 Embarcadero, Morro Bay. (Phone 805-771-5500). Weather conditions may cancel.

405 Big Day Sunday, 07:00 am - 04:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$75

Join your leader for a BIG DAY of birding! Expect a fast-paced day, with the possibility of rapid ID of over 100 species at hot spots in SLO County. Special effort on regional specialties and rarities. Pace to be determined by the leader with input from the group. Travel in bus with leader and many in/out stops. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

406 Oak Woodland and Wetland Birds Sunday, 07:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Bird beautiful wooded habitat in the Atascadero area east of Morro Bay. Stops include Cerro Alto Campground, Atascadero Lake and Creek, Salinas River and nearby oak habitats. Find Acorn Woodpeckers, Yellow-billed Magpies and others. 50 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

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407 Big Day Birding by Bicycle Sunday, 07:30 am - 04:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center B

Join your leader for a birding tour of the area on bicycle and on foot. This is a 10-mile loop with moderate hills and short walks, starting and ending at the Community Center. The pace will be slow with frequent stops to discuss bird field marks and vocalizations. Bring multi-speed bicycle, lock, helmet, water, snacks and lunch, tools, spare tube and patch kit. Also bring: binoculars, layered clothing (it can be very cold at the beginning and warm by the end). Leader will have a scope. Beginning birders welcome, but not recommended for beginning cyclists. It is possible to see over 100 species. Rain or high winds cancel. Be present with your bike and ready to go at 7:15 AM at the front of the Community Center; leaving at 7:30 AM sharp! Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

408 Birding By Ear Field Trip Sunday, 07:45 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Most birds are heard, not seen! Learning to identify birds by sound is fun and rewarding, but it takes practice. Join your leader to work on identifying birds by song and call. Use the tips, tricks and mnemonic devices learned in Birding By Ear Workshop prerequisite. We will search for winter warblers, finches, sparrows, towhees, raptors and any other birds that might be making noise! We travel in personal vehicles to one or more nearby birding locations with a distance of 20 miles max round trip. Easy. Birding By Ear Workshop, is a prerequisite for this trip. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

409 Birding Laguna Lake Sunday, 07:45 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Laguna Lake Meet@:Laguna Lake BY

Laguna Lake and the surrounding park is a migratory stop and home to many waterfowl: ducks, gulls, grebes, shorebirds, herons, egrets, Snow Geese. Join us to see these and other birds like: house finch, goldfinches, meadowlarks, raptors and even a possible loggerhead shrike. Beginners welcome! Includes 1 mile of level walking. 30 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Easy. 504 Madonna Rd, San Luis Obispo, meet at the Laguna Lake bathrooms.

410 Birding Montana de Oro State Park Sunday, 07:45 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Montana de Oro Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Montana de Oro is a spectacular 8,600-acre state park with untamed coastline and coastal uplands. Expect rocky-shore shorebirds, water birds, raptors, and passerines in various habitats. Includes 1-2 miles of slow walking. 20 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Moderate. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

411 Birding at El Chorro Park Sunday, 08:00 am - 11:00 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: El Chorro Park Meet@:El Chorro Park BY

Enjoy leisurely in-depth bird observation and enhance your ID skills with the help of your leaders. This is not a "tick and run Big Day", but a stroll through El Chorro Regional Park sharing observations, and checking for positive identification. Be surprised at the variations you see, whether crows or Black Phoebes. Bring binoculars and a favorite field guide. State Hwy 1 @ Dairy Creek Rd. Meet at SLO Botanical Gardens. 3450 Dairy Creek Road, San Luis Obispo.

412 Shorebirds Made Easy Sunday, 08:00 am - 11:30 am Birding Presentation/Field Trip

Venue: Museum Meet@:Museum BY

How do you ever tell one shorebird from another? What is a 'shorebird?' Learn how to tell the most common species apart. Join us for a photo presentation showing the characteristics of our local shorebirds, followed by a walk along the shore to test your new-found knowledge. Easy. Meet at Morro Bay Museum of Natural History. 20 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

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413 Morro Strand Scrub/Shore Birding Sunday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Meet@:Cloisters, Azure Street

Enjoy a level slow-paced stroll on Morro Strand, past a pond, through coastal scrub, and then onto sandy beach, to observe ducks, herons, gulls, terns, grebes and several species of shorebirds including snowy plovers. Moderate 1.5-2 mile walk with some soft sand. Meets at 150 Azure Street, Cloisters, Morro Bay.

414 Explore the Mushroom World Sunday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Explore the world of fungi with a fun guy! Join naturalist and photographer Dennis Sheridan in looking down rather than up under the Cambria pines searching for Boletus, Candy Cap, Honey Mushroom, Jack-O'-Lantern and Amanita mushrooms. 50 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Trip will be cancelled for lack of recent rain. Moderate. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

415 Birding by Careful Observation Sunday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: El Chorro Park Meet@:El Chorro Park BY

Leisurely in-depth bird observation and ID skills enhancement with a stroll through El Chorro Regional Park sharing observations of bird characteristics. Field guides will be checked to verify. This trip is aimed at all level of birders including those who want to teach others how to learn bird ID most effectively. Bring binoculars and a favorite field guide. State Hwy 1 @ Dairy Creek Rd. Meet at SLO Botanical Gardens. 3450 Dairy Creek Road, San Luis Obispo.

416 Birding with The Keynote Speaker Sunday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center B \$65

John Muir Laws is a recognized leader in nature observation and journaling. The author of several books and nature guides, this is a unique opportunity to observe and sketch birds in the field with this acclaimed expert. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

417 Birds of San Simeon Sunday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Washburn Creek Meet@:Washburn Creek

Observe birds at the Washburn Day Use area of San Simeon State Park. Moderate 1.5- 2 mile walk by riparian areas by creek, wetlands, shoreline, then onto chaparral, and pine forest habitats to discover a variety of land, shore and ocean birds including Hooded Mergansers, Pygmy Nuthatches, terns and a variety of raptors. Hwy 1, 1.8 miles north of last traffic light in Cambria.

418 Advanced Bird Photography Sunday, 08:15 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Want to know where the professionals photograph birds? Bring a camera along with your binoculars to shoot in local hot spots. Leaders will offer tips on capturing images, from birds to panoramas, while visiting several uniquely beautiful locations. All locations are easily accessible. Travel by personal vehicle. Easy. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

419 Highway 1 for Raptors Sunday, 08:15 am - 02:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Explore a historic Cayucos ranch (weather and roads permitting) with varying habitats including streamside woodland, grassland and pastureland, rocky outcrops, and a large pond and freshwater marsh. Search for raptors along the Highway 1 corridor between Morro Bay and San Simeon looking for target birds such as Peregrine Falcon, American Kestrel, White-tailed Kite, Red-tailed Hawk, Red-shouldered Hawk, accipiters, Northern Harrier, Golden Eagle, Bald Eagle and Ferruginous Hawk. Moderate hiking on unpaved ranch roads with some uneven ground, about a mile round trip. Bring lunch. Moderate. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

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420 Birding Oso Flaco Lake Sunday, 08:30 am - 11:30 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Oso Flaco Meet@:Oso Flaco

Enjoy close views of waterfowl and occasional bitterns and rails from the boardwalk over Oso Flaco Lake and marsh. Bird two prime willow habitats for wintering warblers. Includes 2-3 miles of slow walking. Moderate. Meet at Oso Flaco parking lot, 3004 Oso Flaco Lake Road, Arroyo Grande.

421 Bird Sweet Springs & Cuesta Inlet Sunday, 08:30 am - 11:30 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Los Osos Multiple Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Join leaders for an easy 1-2 mile beginning birder walk exploring Sweet Springs Nature Preserve and Cuesta Inlet in Los Osos. The focus is on natural history and ID tips of birds commonly seen in the back bay. Bring binoculars. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

422 Raptors of Sunshine Ranch Sunday, 08:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sunshine Ranch Meet@:Sunshine Ranch BY

Come experience Sunshine Ranch, a unique area between Santa Margarita and Atascadero. Meet Sunshine, an injured red-tailed hawk, and learn about identification and adaptations of raptors that live in the area. Walk an easy one-mile along the border of the ranch, identifying birds along the way. The grasslands, riparian area and pond always bring surprises. Easy. Meets at the Ranch, 17400 Oak Ave, Atascadero.

423 Birding Morro Bay State Park Sunday, 08:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY

Explore Morro Bay State Park marina boardwalk area to see a wide variety of birds: shorebirds, ducks, geese, loons, grebes, gulls, terns, herons, raptors, warblers, sparrows, finches. Meets at the South end of the Morro Bay State Park Marina. 10 State Park Road.

424 Back Bay Birding Sunday, 08:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Los Osos Multiple Meet@:South Bay Community Center

Join your leader for a flat 2-3 mile walk birding the diverse shoreline habitats of the Back Bay, including Sweet Springs Nature Preserve, Cuesta Inlet and Pecho Willows. Expect a variety of shorebirds, waterfowl, raptors and passerines. Meets at South Bay Community Center, 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

425 Casual Little Big Day Sunday, 08:30 am - 01:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center B \$55

This is slower paced "Big Day" for beginning and intermediate birders. Starting at a reasonable morning hour and getting back right after lunch, you will be in a spacious bus with large windows, visiting local birding hot spots, returning with a new long list of birds! There are many on/off the bus birding spots in a variety of habitats. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

426 Birding Hot Spots for Beginners Sunday, 08:45 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

This field class is for beginners, but all birding levels are welcomed. Travel to nearby locations where your leader will help you identify some easy-to-see birds around Morro Bay. Bring your favorite field guide and binoculars. 10 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Easy. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

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427 Bay Birding Photo Cruise Sunday, 09:00 am - 10:45 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours B \$35

Join local expert photographer and enjoy a leisurely photography focused boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

428 Land and Sea Birds at Morro Rock Sunday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Rock Meet@:Morro Rock BY

Morro Rock is home to Peregrine Falcons, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Common Yellowthroat, various sparrows, the elusive Canyon Wren, and sometimes a Burrowing Owl!. You will also see cormorants, various species and age classes of gulls, Brown Pelicans and maybe a Common Murre. Meets at Morro Rock. Coleman Drive, Morro Bay. Meet across from bathrooms, next to Morro Rock.

429 Birding by Kayak Sunday, 09:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY \$50

Go on a guided kayak tour of Morro Bay for an up close opportunity to see birds in their natural habitat! You may see: White Pelicans, brant, Common Loons and a host of other migratory waterfowl and shorebirds. Paddle near the Heron Rookery, Grassy Island oyster farm, mudflats and channels of the Back Bay. Using double kayaks, no prior kayaking experience needed. Dress in layers with the following guidelines: synthetics or wool, no cotton, windbreaker jacket, hat for sun and wind protection, and shoes that can get wet. Weather conditions may cancel. Meets at the Morro Bay State Park Marina Kayak Shop. 10 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

430 MOTUS: Track Birds & Bats Sunday, 10:00 am - 11:15 am Birding Presentation

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

The Motus Wildlife Tracking System (Motus, Latin for movement) is an international collaborative research network that uses a coordinated automated radio telemetry array to track the movement and behavior of small flying organisms. Motus tracks birds, bats, and large insect through digitally-encoded radio transmitters, affixed to the animal, broadcasting signals several times each minute. These signals are detected by automated radio telemetry stations that scan for signals 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. When results from many stations are combined, the array can track animals across a diversity of landscapes covering thousands of kilometers. Come and learn what the experts are discovering! Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

431 Easy Birding Sunday, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Cloisters Park Meet@:Cloisters, Azure Street W

The Cloisters Park, with pond and nearby dunes, offers an interesting variety of birds, such as white- and golden-crowned sparrows, California thrasher, yellow-rumped warbler and black-crowned night-heron. The pond also attracts migratory ducks and geese. People in wheelchairs or using walkers or canes will find all paths accessible. Two miles from the Community Center. Easy. Meets at 150 Azure Street, Cloisters, Morro Bay.

432 From Anatomy to Function/Flight Sunday, 01:00 pm - 02:30 pm Nature Presentation

Venue: Museum Meet@:Museum BW

An "inside look" into the muscular and organ systems of birds, this is for you. Experts leading this workshop are experienced in preparing birds for museum specimens. A thawed specimen from the Museum's collection will be skinned to demonstrate flight and feather positioning muscles, leg movement, skin and some of the incredible adaptations of bird anatomy to a lifetime of flight. Not for the squeamish, but sure to be fascinating. Meet at Morro Bay Museum of Natural History. 20 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

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433 Bay Birding Cruise Sunday, 01:00 pm - 02:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours BY \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay in a spacious pontoon boat. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at very close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities but no tripods. The captain may point out special sights and activities of our working harbor including the fishing industry, pleasure boats and more. There will be opportunities to photograph wintering birds, otters, and sea lions that frequent the bay. Easy access for limited mobility. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

434 The Elfin Forest Wonderland Sunday, 01:00 pm - 03:00 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Elfin Forest Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

The Elfin Forest of Los Osos encompasses 7 habitats visible from a boardwalk. Habitats and bay overlooks. Expect to see raptors, passerines and shorebirds in this easy-paced walk. Beginners welcome! The 'Magic' of the Elfin Forest is in the adaptability of the various plant communities with hidden beauty found everywhere. This trip is accessible to people in wheelchairs or using walkers and canes. Total walking distance will be about 1.5 miles. Easy. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

435 Pacific Wildlife Care Tour Sunday, 01:30 pm - 03:30 pm [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Pacific Wildlife Care Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BY

Meet several birds of prey, including a Great Horned Owl, a Long-eared Owl, a Red-tailed Hawk and a Peregrine Falcon. These birds are educational ambassadors for Pacific Wildlife Care, a nonprofit wildlife rehabilitation center in Morro Bay. During the presentation, you will learn about the wonderful world of raptors and their important niche in the environment. Bring cameras and questions for this up-close study of birds with binocular vision and sharp talons. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

436 Bay Birding Cruise Sunday, 02:00 pm - 03:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Landing Meet@:Morro Bay Landing BY \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay in a spacious pontoon boat. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at very close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities but no tripods. The captain may point out special sights and activities of our working harbor including the fishing industry, pleasure boats and more. There will be opportunities to photograph wintering birds, otters, and sea lions that frequent the bay. Easy access for limited mobility. Participants will meet at Morro Bay Landing, 1213 Embarcadero, Morro Bay. (Phone 805-771-5500.) Weather conditions may cancel.

437 Build a Blue Bird Box Sunday, 02:00 pm - 04:00 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center BYW \$25

Build a blue bird box from a kit. Plans will be shared for other nest boxes as well. The leader will discuss the need for boxes in specific species, as well as the care and placement of boxes in your landscape. Must be 12 years of age or older to participate, if under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

438 Bay Birding Cruise Sunday, 03:00 pm - 04:45 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours BY \$35

Enjoy a leisurely boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.



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439 Shape & Structure of Bird Song Sunday, 03:00 pm - 05:00 pm Birding Presentation

Venue: Museum Meet@:Museum BYW

Just as it is essential to know the colors and shapes of birds to distinguish male/female, juvenile/mature, and different species, it is also important to learn bird sounds for accurate ID. Using an approach called "Earbirding" you will learn to a systematic method to understand and describe sound, improving your bird ID skills and adding to your birding enjoyment. Meet at Morro Bay Museum of Natural History. 20 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

440 Owling Field Trip Sunday, 03:30 pm - 09:30 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center \$55

Daytime owls 3:30-5:30 PM. 'Dutch treat' dinner 5:30-6:30 PM. Nighttime owls 6:30-8:30 PM. Bus leaves from Community Center at 3:30 PM and returns 9:00ish PM. Beginning with daytime owling to hunt for short-eared and burrowing owls and any roosting owls. We will stop for no-host dinner to share stories as we wait for dark. After dark, owling in the San Luis Obispo area. Dress warmly in quiet clothes (no nylon) and be prepared get in and out of the van, walk quietly through mud in the dark, then to stand silently for long periods of time, in freezing cold weather, while it is pitch black, listening for owls! Sounds like a good time to me! Possibilities: Great Horned, Western Screech, Saw-whet, Short-eared, Barn Owls, poorwill and more. Travel with leader in a bus with many in/out stops. Heavy rain will cancel field trip, but not workshop. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

441 Sunday Keynote Speaker - Ray VanBuskirk Sunday, 07:00 pm - 08:30 pm Birding Special Event

Venue: Cuesta College Performing Arts Center Meet@:Cuesta College Performing Arts Center BYW

Raymond L. VanBuskirk's love for the natural world was born in the pine forests of the Land of Enchantment. He is a New Mexico native and has spent the first 28 years of his life following his dream of creating a career around birding. Raymond will share some of his favorite birding adventures. Cuesta College, Hwy 1 south of Morro Bay

# Monday, January 17, 2022

501 On the Prowl for Rare Birds Monday, 07:00 am - 01:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Multiple Sites Meet@:Morro Bay Community Center

Hop in your car and follow the leader to multiple local spots for rarities. We will have light to moderate walking to look for birds in the area that are rare for Central California. With luck, participants may see many local rarities. To increase our chances of finding the birds and getting good sightings, local experts will be up-to-date and scout out ahead of time. Be prepared for muddy conditions and variable weather. Take water, snacks or lunch, binoculars, camera, and a scope if you have one. Bad weather may cancel the trip. Meets at Morro Bay Comm. Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay.

502 Birding by Kayak Monday, 08:00 am - 11:00 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: MB State Park Marina Meet@:MB State Park Marina BY \$50

Go on a guided kayak tour of Morro Bay for an up close opportunity to see birds in their natural habitat! You may see: White Pelicans, brant, Common Loons and a host of other migratory waterfowl and shorebirds. Paddle near the Heron Rookery, Grassy Island oyster farm, mudflats and channels of the Back Bay. Using double kayaks, no prior kayaking experience needed. Dress in layers with the following guidelines: synthetics or wool, no cotton, windbreaker jacket, hat for sun and wind protection, and shoes that can get wet. Weather conditions may cancel. Meets at the Morro Bay State Park Marina Kayak Shop. 10 State Park Road, Morro Bay.

503 Birding & Wine at Halter Ranch Monday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Halter Ranch Meet@:Halter Ranch

Drive through oak woodlands and vineyards along Vineyard Road to Halter Ranch. Look for Raptors, Wild Turkeys, and Yellow-billed Magpies on the way. Park in the barnyard parking lot. We will bird the barnyard area, along Los Tablas Creek, and observe birds near the agriculture pond next to the vineyard. Wine tasting is optional, and no outside food is allowed. You must make an online reservation if you're interested in wine tasting and food. Check the website ([halterranch.com](http://halterranch.com)) for tasting fees, menu, location, and reservations. The ranch is following present Covid-19 recommendations. 75 miles round trip by personal vehicle. For those en route north toward home, the Ranch is 18 miles round trip from Highway 101 in Paso Robles. 8910 Adelaida Rd, Paso Robles

504 Birding Fiscalini Ranch Preserve Monday, 08:00 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Fiscalini Ranch Meet@:Fiscalini Ranch

Bird on Cambria's Fiscalini Ranch on a moderate three-mile hike through grassland, mixed oak/Monterey pine forest and coastal bluffs. Expect a diversity of birds, including sparrows, birds of prey, Pygmy Nuthatches and rocky shore shorebirds. Pace will be determined by leader and desires of the group. 50 miles round trip by personal vehicle. Meets at Fiscalini Ranch south end, 2799 Windsor Blvd, Cambria.

505 Birding Las Cruzitas Ranch Monday, 08:00 am - 02:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Las Cruzitas Ranch Meet@:Las Cruzitas Ranch BW

Designed for those driving SOUTH, home from the Festival. Meet at Albertson's parking lot in Buellton, CA (Hwy 246 east exit from 101). This site is 75 miles SOUTH of Morro Bay! Leader will have list of registered participants. Meet Cher Hollingworth - 805-588-0252 - in Buellton and travel by personal vehicle to Las Cruzitas, a private 1,500-acre cattle ranch including oak grassland and sage-covered canyons. You will be met by Cruz Phillips, the ranch owner, who will lead the trip. Expect to see yellow-billed magpies, vesper and lark sparrows, band-tailed pigeons, red-breasted sapsuckers, golden eagles, and possibly burrowing owls, prairie falcons, phainopeplas, red-naped Sapsuckers and Lewis' woodpeckers. At least 30 species are seen from the ranch house bird feeders alone, so folks who cannot walk far can sit in the yard and have a great time birding. Bring lunch. Meet at Las Cruzitas Ranch, 1100 Alisos Rd, Santa Ynez.

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506 Birds and Plants at Coon Creek Monday, 08:15 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Montana de Oro Meet@:South Bay Community Center BY

Walk through the riparian habitat in Montana de Oro State Park to identify and discuss how birds interact with the surrounding plants they are utilizing. 2-3 mile walk. Meets at the South Bay Community Center in Los Osos. 2180 Palisades Ave, Los Osos.

507 Birding Oso Flaco Lake Monday, 08:30 am - 11:30 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Oso Flaco Meet@:Oso Flaco BY

Enjoy close views of waterfowl and occasional bitterns and rails from the boardwalk over Oso Flaco Lake and marsh. Bird two prime willow habitats for wintering warblers. Includes 2-3 miles of slow walking. Moderate. Great trip to join if you're heading home going south. Meet at Oso Flaco parking lot, 3004 Oso Flaco Lake Road, Arroyo Grande.

508 Bird Lopez Lake on Drive Home Monday, 08:30 am - 12:00 pm Birding Field Trip

Venue: Lopez Lake Meet@:Lopez Lake BY \$15

This trip is designed for those with extra time or driving home from the festival heading south. Join leaders on a pontoon boat along the shoreline and coves looking for waterfowl and oak woodland birds. Bring binoculars and a warm jacket. Meets at Lopez Lake, 6800 Lopez Dr, Arroyo Grande.

509 Bay Birding Photo Cruise Monday, 09:00 am - 10:45 am Birding Field Trip

Venue: Sub Sea Tours Meet@:Sub Sea Tours BY \$35

Join local expert photographer and enjoy a leisurely photography focused boating tour of the bay and estuary in an open-deck 34-foot power catamaran. View a variety of shorebirds and waterfowl, often at close range. The boat will move slowly enough for you to see details of many species that you normally see only through a scope from shore. Good photo opportunities, but no tripods. Dress warmly. Meets at Sub Sea Tours, 699 Embarcadero, #9, Morro Bay.

510 Morro Bay Up Close Monday, 10:00 am - 11:45 am [Nature Field Trip](#)

Venue: Morro Bay Landing Meet@:Morro Bay Landing BY \$35

While you will see birds, the focus of this trip is the natural history of Morro Rock and features of the estuary using photos, diagrams and hands-on materials. Enjoy a bay cruise on a pontoon boat and learn the local sights and

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **ALLIS MARKHAM**

- Thursday 6:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s)) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 123 Science, Style, and Substance with Allis Markham - Nassologist

## **BERT TOWNSEND**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 109 Bird Montana de Oro State Park Saturday 7:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro
- Event: 308 Bird Montana de Oro State Park
- Sunday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 423 Birding Morro Bay State Park

## **BETTINA EASTMAN**

- Thursday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: El Chorro Park Event: 101 Birding by Careful Observation
- Friday 8:45 AM (Duration: 7 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station Event: 220 Big Day at Santa Margarita Lake
- Saturday 7:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Estero Bluffs Event: 307 Birding Estero Bluffs
- Sunday 7:00 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Point Buchon Event: 403 Wildlife of Point Buchon

## **BOB KEALLY**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 109 Bird Montana de Oro State Park
- Thursday 1:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Laguna Lake Event: 119 Birding Laguna Lake
- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 214 Birds of the North Coast
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Fiscalini Ranch Event: 313 Birding Fiscalini Ranch Preserve
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Washburn Creek Event: 417 Birds of San Simeon
- Sunday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 437 Build a Blue Bird Box
- Monday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Fiscalini Ranch Event: 504 Birding Fiscalini Ranch Preserve

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **BOB REVEL**

- Thursday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 120 Bay Birding Cruise
- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Estero Bluffs Event: 218 Birding Estero Bluffs
- Friday 2:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 237 Bay Birding Cruise
- Sunday 2:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 436 Bay Birding Cruise
- Monday 10:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 510 Morro Bay Up Close

## **BRAD SCHRAM**

- Friday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 224 Gulls of SLO Identified
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 318 Birding with The Keynote Speaker
- Sunday 7:00 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 404 Half Day Pelagic Trip
- Brian Sullivan
- Saturday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 336 eBird for Intermediate and Advanced Users

## **CHARLIE DEBERRY**

- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 334 Build a Kestrel Box
- Sunday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Sunshine Ranch Event: 422 Raptors of Sunshine Ranch
- Sunday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 437 Build a Blue Bird Box

## **CHER HOLLINGWORTH**

- Friday 7:45 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Las Cruzitas Ranch Event: 207 Birding Las Cruzitas Ranch
- Monday 8:00 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Las Cruzitas Ranch Event: 505 Birding Las Cruzitas Ranch

## **CHRIS CAMERON**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Camp Ocean Pines Event: 110 Master Class - Falconry Experience
- Friday 2:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 235 Finding those Elusive Owls

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **CINDY ROESSLER**

- Thursday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Elfin Forest Event: 122 Birding the Elfin Forest

## **CLAUDIA DUCKWORTH**

- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 215 Meander Morro Bay Marina
- Friday 1:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Pacific Wildlife Care Event: 232 Pacific Wildlife Care Tour
- Sunday 1:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Pacific Wildlife Care Event: 435 Pacific Wildlife Care Tour

## **CLAUDIA FREITAS**

- Thursday 10:00 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 115 Bay Birding Cruise
- Thursday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 120 Bay Birding Cruise
- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 330 Bay Birding Cruise
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Museum Event: 412 Shorebirds Made Easy
- Monday 10:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 510 Morro Bay Up Close

## **CRUZ PHILLIPS**

- Friday 7:45 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Las Cruzitas Ranch Event: 207 Birding Las Cruzitas Ranch
- Monday 8:00 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Las Cruzitas Ranch Event: 505 Birding Las Cruzitas Ranch

## **CURTIS MARANTZ**

- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 204 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 305 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales
- Sunday 7:00 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 404 Half Day Pelagic Trip

## **DANIEL BOHLMAN**

- Thursday 8:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Santa Rita Ranch Event: 104 Santa Rita Ranch Diverse Habitats
- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Santa Rita Ranch Event: 219 Santa Rita Ranch Diverse Habitats

## **DAVE BERRY**

- Sunday 8:15 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 419 Highway 1 for Raptors



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## DAVE KEELING

- Friday 9:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 221 Bay Birding Photo Cruise
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Cal Poly Pier Event: 311 Wintering Birds at Cal Poly Pier
- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 331 Bay Birding Photo Cruise

## DAWN BEATTIE

- Sunday 10:00 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Cloisters Park Event: 431 Easy Birding

## DEAN THOMPSON

- Saturday 8:30 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 320 Montana de Oro Nature Walk
- Sunday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 424 Back Bay Birding

## DENNIS SHERIDAN

- Friday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 222 The Diverse Birds of Morro Bay
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 414 Explore the Mushroom World

## DON QUINTANA

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 8 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 113 Master Class - Bird Photography
- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 208 Advanced Bird Photography
- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 335 Beginning Bird Photography
- Sunday 8:15 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 418 Advanced Bird Photography

## ED HARPER

- Thursday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Estero Bluffs Event: 102 Birding Estero Bluffs
- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: El Chorro Park Event: 210 Birding by Careful Observation
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: El Chorro Park Event: 317 Birding by Careful Observation
- Sunday 8:45 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 426 Birding Hot Spots for Beginners

## ELENA KEELING

- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Cal Poly Pier Event: 311 Wintering Birds at Cal Poly Pier

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **ELLA PENNINGTON**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 106 Shoreline Birding for Beginners
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 316 Bare Naked Birding

## **ERIC WIER**

- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 7 Hour(s)) Venue: Point Buchon Event: 303 Wildlife of Point Buchon
- Sunday 7:45 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 410 Birding Montana de Oro State Park

## **EVAN WEISSMAN**

- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Harmony Headlands Event: 213 Harmony Headlands
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: El Chorro Park Event: 415 Birding by Careful Observation

## **FIONA GILLOGLY**

- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 211 Birding with The Keynote Speaker
- Saturday 7:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Cuesta College Performing Arts Center Event: 342 Keynote Speaker - John Muir Laws
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 416 Birding with The Keynote Speaker

## **GREG SMITH**

- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Vandenheuvel Ranch Event: 310 Ranchland Birding
- Sunday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Oso Flaco Event: 420 Birding Oso Flaco Lake

## **JANET BODLE**

- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 203 Big Day Birding

## **JAY CARROLL**

- Friday 10:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Black Hill Event: 226 Morro Bay Estuary from Black Hill
- Saturday 7:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 308 Bird Montana de Oro State Park
- Sunday 7:45 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Laguna Lake Event: 409 Birding Laguna Lake

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **JEAN PIERRE WOLFF**

- Friday 9:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Wolff Vineyards Event: 225 Owl Box Building and Wine Tasting at Wolff Winery

## **JEANETTE STONE**

- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 212 Birding with The Keynote Speaker

## **JEFF MILLER**

- Thursday 1:00 PM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 117 Los Osos Hot Spots Walking Tour
- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 203 Big Day Birding
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 305 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales
- Sunday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 405 Big Day

## **JERRY KIRKHART**

- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 208 Advanced Bird Photography
- Sunday 8:15 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 418 Advanced Bird Photography

## **JESSICA GRIFFITHS**

- Saturday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 337 Birding By Ear Workshop
- Sunday 7:45 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 408 Birding By Ear Field Trip

## **JIM ROYER**

- Sunday 7:30 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 407 Big Day Birding by Bicycle
- Monday 7:00 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 501 On the Prowl for Rare Birds

## **JODI ISAACS**

- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 202 Bird Banding
- Friday 11:15 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Event: 228 Snowy Plovers in the Field
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 301 Bird Banding
- Saturday 11:15 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Event: 329 Snowy Plovers in the Field

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **JOHN CALLENDER**

- Friday 7:45 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 206 Birding Montaña de Oro
- Saturday 8:30 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 323 Casual Little Big Day
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Event: 413 Morro Strand Scrub

## **JOHN FLAHERTY**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 107 Birding by Kayak
- Friday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 223 Birding by Kayak
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 309 Birding by Kayak
- Saturday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 328 Birding by Kayak
- Sunday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 429 Birding by Kayak
- Monday 8:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 502 Birding by Kayak

## **JOHN MUIR LAWS**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 8 Hour(s)) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 114 Master Class - Nature Journaling
- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 211 Birding with The Keynote Speaker
- Saturday 7:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Cuesta College Performing Arts Center Event: 342 Keynote Speaker - John Muir Laws
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 416 Birding with The Keynote Speaker

## **JOHN SAYERS**

- Sunday 1:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Museum Event: 432 From Anatomy to Function
- Monday 8:15 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 506 Birds and Plants at Coon Creek

## **JOHN SCHMITT**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 111 Master Class - Feathers
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 312 Birds of the North Coast

## **KAAREN PERRY**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 112 Master Class - Pro Gull ID

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **KARA HAGEDORN**

- Sunday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Sunshine Ranch Event: 422 Raptors of Sunshine Ranch

## **KAREN WATTS**

- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Museum Event: 216 Birding for Beginners Workshop
- Saturday 8:15 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Black Hill La Loma Event: 319 Songbirds in the Pines
- Sunday 2:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 436 Bay Birding Cruise

## **KARL FRANK**

- Thursday 8:30 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 105 Casual Little Big Day
- Friday 7:30 AM (Duration: 8 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 205 Big Day Birding
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 318 Birding with The Keynote Speaker

## **KELLEY BOLAND**

- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Cal Poly Pier Event: 311 Wintering Birds at Cal Poly Pier

## **KEN LEVINE**

- Friday 1:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: SLO Botanical Garden Event: 233 Gardening to Attract Birds

## **KRISTI VAN WERT**

- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: El Chorro Park Event: 411 Birding at El Chorro Park

## **LEXIE BELL**

- Friday 10:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Black Hill Event: 226 Morro Bay Estuary from Black Hill
- Louise Abbott
- Friday 3:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Museum Event: 240 Rookery Wonders in Windy Cove

## **LUCIEN PLAUZOLES**

- Thursday 1:00 PM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Event: 118 Birding Morro Strand
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Event: 314 Birding Morro Strand
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Event: 413 Morro Strand Scrub

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## MARILYN ROSE

- Saturday 2:30 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 338 Optics Demystified

## MARK HOLMGREN

- Saturday 8:30 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station Event: 324 Big Day at Santa Margarita Lake

## MARK MUSHKAT

- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 204 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales
- Saturday 9:00 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 327 Shoreline Birding for Beginners
- Sunday 1:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 433 Bay Birding Cruise
- Marlin Harms
- Saturday 3:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 339 Bay Birding Cruise

## MARY WHITFIELD

- Sunday 10:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 430 MOTUS: Track Birds & Bats

## MIKE BUSH

- Friday 7:45 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 206 Birding Montaña de Oro
- Friday 2:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 237 Bay Birding Cruise
- Sunday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 423 Birding Morro Bay State Park

## NORM PILSBURY

- Thursday 1:00 PM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 117 Los Osos Hot Spots Walking Tour
- Friday 1:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 234 Bird Recording
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: El Chorro Park Event: 317 Birding by Careful Observation
- Sunday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 405 Big Day

## OWEN SLATER

- Monday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Oso Flaco Event: 507 Birding Oso Flaco Lake



# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **PACIFIC WILDLIFE-CARE**

- Saturday 3:30 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 340 Meet the Raptors - Pacific Wildlife Care

## **PAMELA HARTMANN**

- Friday 1:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Pacific Wildlife Care Event: 232 Pacific Wildlife Care Tour
- Sunday 1:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Pacific Wildlife Care Event: 435 Pacific Wildlife Care Tour

## **PEGGY BURHENN**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Black Hill La Loma Event: 108 Songbirds in the Pines
- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 202 Bird Banding
- Friday 9:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Wolff Vineyards Event: 225 Owl Box Building and Wine Tasting at Wolff Winery
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 301 Bird Banding
- Saturday 3:30 PM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 341 Owling Field Trip

## **PENNY PRINCIPE**

- Sunday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 421 Bird Sweet Springs & Cuesta Inlet

## **PETER GAEDE**

- Sunday 6:15 AM (Duration: 10 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Carrizo Plains Event: 401 Birding the Carrizo Plain

## **PHYLENE WIGGINS**

- Friday 1:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 230 Basics of Bird ID in the Field
- Friday 3:30 PM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 243 Owling Field Trip

## **RACHEL PASS**

- Friday 10:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Black Hill Event: 226 Morro Bay Estuary from Black Hill
- Friday 3:30 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 242 The Morro Bay Estuary

## **RANDY FRANK**

- Friday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Rock Event: 238 Birding Morro Rock

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **RAY VANBUSKIRK**

- Thursday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Rock Event: 121 Birds of Morro Rock
- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 212 Birding with The Keynote Speaker
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Multiple Event: 318 Birding with The Keynote Speaker
- Sunday 7:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Cuesta College Performing Arts Center Event: 441 Sunday Keynote Speaker - Ray VanBuskirk

## **REGENA ORR**

- Thursday 12:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Cloisters, Azure Street Event: 116 Snowy Plovers in the Field

## **RICH HANSEN**

- Thursday 8:30 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 103 Meander Morro Bay Marina
- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 215 Meander Morro Bay Marina

## **RICHARD CIMINO**

- Thursday 1:00 PM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 117 Los Osos Hot Spots Walking Tour
- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 203 Big Day Birding
- Saturday 9:00 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 326 Bay Birding Cruise

## **RICHARD NEIDHARDT**

- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 217 Back Bay Birding
- Saturday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Elfin Forest Event: 322 Birding Elfin Forest & Sweet Springs

## **RICK DEREVAN**

- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Estero Bluffs Event: 218 Birding Estero Bluffs
- Friday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Rock Event: 238 Birding Morro Rock
- Saturday 9:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 325 Bay Birding Photo Cruise
- Monday 9:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 509 Bay Birding Photo Cruise

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **ROBBIE REVEL**

- Thursday 10:00 AM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 115 Bay Birding Cruise
- Thursday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 120 Bay Birding Cruise
- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Museum Event: 216 Birding for Beginners Workshop
- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 330 Bay Birding Cruise
- Sunday 2:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 436 Bay Birding Cruise
- Monday 10:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 510 Morro Bay Up Close

## **ROBERT LINDSAY**

- Friday 3:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 241 Bay Birding Cruise
- Saturday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Oso Flaco Event: 321 A Snipe Hunt For Rails?
- Sunday 3:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 438 Bay Birding Cruise

## **ROGER ZACHARY**

Friday 3:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 241 Bay Birding Cruise

Sunday 7:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 406 Oak Woodland and Wetland Birds

Monday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Halter Ranch Event: 503 Birding & Wine at Halter Ranch

## **RON MELCER**

- Friday 6:45 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 201 Big Day Birding
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 304 Big Day Birding

## **ROSEMAY CAMERON**

- Friday 10:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 227 Morro Bay Nature Cruise

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **ROUVAISHYANA**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Black Hill La Loma Event: 108 Songbirds in the Pines
- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Bayshore Bluffs Park Event: 209 Birding Along the Bay
- Friday 1:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 230 Basics of Bird ID in the Field
- Friday 3:30 PM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 243 Owling Field Trip
- Saturday 8:15 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Black Hill La Loma Event: 319 Songbirds in the Pines
- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 332 Calling Birds In for Closer Study
- Saturday 3:30 PM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 341 Owling Field Trip
- Sunday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Rock Event: 428 Land and Sea Birds at Morro Rock
- Sunday 1:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Museum Event: 432 From Anatomy to Function
- Sunday 3:30 PM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 440 Owling Field Trip
- Monday 8:15 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 506 Birds and Plants at Coon Creek

## **ROY POUCHER**

- Friday 1:00 PM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 231 Plugging into Bird Song Magic Workshop
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 302 Bird Song Magic in the Field
- Sunday 7:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 402 Bird Song Magic in the Field

## **RUSTY SCALF**

- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Los Osos Multiple Event: 217 Back Bay Birding
- Saturday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Elfin Forest Event: 322 Birding Elfin Forest & Sweet Springs

## **RYAN WEMPLE**

- Friday 8:45 AM (Duration: 7 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Santa Margarita Lake Ranger Station Event: 220 Big Day at Santa Margarita Lake
- Monday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Lopez Lake Event: 508 Bird Lopez Lake on Drive Home

# TRIPS BY LEADER & CO-LEADER

## **SALLY KRENN**

- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 7 Hour(s)) Venue: Point Buchon Event: 303 Wildlife of Point Buchon
- Sunday 7:00 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Point Buchon Event: 403 Wildlife of Point Buchon

## **SARAH KILLINGSWORTH**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 8 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 113 Master Class - Bird Photography
- Friday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 208 Advanced Bird Photography
- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 331 Bay Birding Photo Cruise
- Sunday 9:00 AM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Sub Sea Tours Event: 427 Bay Birding Photo Cruise

## **SCOTT INMAN**

- Thursday 1:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Laguna Lake Event: 119 Birding Laguna Lake
- Sunday 7:45 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Laguna Lake Event: 409 Birding Laguna Lake
- Monday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Halter Ranch Event: 503 Birding & Wine at Halter Ranch

## **SHARON BLAKELY**

- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Rock Event: 333 The Otter Truth of Morro Bay

## **STEVE MCMASTERS**

- Sunday 7:45 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Montana de Oro Event: 410 Birding Montana de Oro State Park

## **STEVE SCHUBERT**

- Friday 12:30 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 229 Condor Recovery
- Friday 2:30 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 239 Peregrine Falcons of Morro Rock
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 10 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 306 Condor Exploration
- Sunday 8:15 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 419 Highway 1 for Raptors

## **STEVEN BEISSINGER**

- Friday 2:00 PM (Duration: 1 Hour(s)) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 236 Conserving the Black Rail
- Saturday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Oso Flaco Event: 321 A Snipe Hunt For Rails?

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## **TERRI MAY**

- Saturday 7:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s) 30 Min) Venue: Estero Bluffs Event: 307 Birding Estero Bluffs
- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Washburn Creek Event: 417 Birds of San Simeon

## **TOM BURHENN**

- Friday 9:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Wolff Vineyards Event: 225 Owl Box Building and Wine Tasting at Wolff Winery
- Saturday 1:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Community Center Event: 334 Build a Kestrel Box

## **TOM EDELL**

- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 204 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 305 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales
- Sunday 7:00 AM (Duration: 5 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 404 Half Day Pelagic Trip

## **TOM GRAVES**

- Thursday 2:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Rock Event: 121 Birds of Morro Rock
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Inn at Morro Bay Event: 315 Smart Phone Bird Recording
- Sunday 3:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Museum Event: 439 Shape & Structure of Bird Song

## **TOM SLATER**

- Monday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Oso Flaco Event: 507 Birding Oso Flaco Lake

## **TYSON BAKER**

- Sunday 8:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: El Chorro Park Event: 411 Birding at El Chorro Park

## **VAN DEES**

- Sunday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Rock Event: 428 Land and Sea Birds at Morro Rock

## **VICKY JOHNSEN**

- Sunday 1:00 PM (Duration: 2 Hour(s)) Venue: Elfin Forest Event: 434 The Elfin Forest Wonderland



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## **VIRGINIA FLAHERTY**

- Thursday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 107 Birding by Kayak
- Friday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 223 Birding by Kayak
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 309 Birding by Kayak
- Saturday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 328 Birding by Kayak
- Sunday 9:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 429 Birding by Kayak
- Monday 8:00 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: MB State Park Marina Event: 502 Birding by Kayak

## **WENDY WALWYN**

- Thursday 8:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Santa Rita Ranch Event: 104 Santa Rita Ranch Diverse Habitats
- Friday 8:30 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Santa Rita Ranch Event: 219 Santa Rita Ranch Diverse Habitats
- Saturday 8:00 AM (Duration: 4 Hour(s)) Venue: Multiple Sites Event: 312 Birds of the North Coast
- Sunday 8:30 AM (Duration: 3 Hour(s)) Venue: Oso Flaco Event: 420 Birding Oso Flaco Lake

## **WES FRITZ**

- Friday 7:45 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s) 15 Min) Venue: Las Cruzitas Ranch Event: 207 Birding Las Cruzitas Ranch
- Monday 8:00 AM (Duration: 6 Hour(s)) Venue: Las Cruzitas Ranch Event: 505 Birding Las Cruzitas Ranch

## **WILL KNOWLTON**

- Friday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 204 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales
- Saturday 7:00 AM (Duration: 9 Hour(s)) Venue: Morro Bay Landing Event: 305 Big Pelagic: Birds & Whales
- Sunday 6:15 AM (Duration: 10 Hour(s) 45 Min) Venue: Carrizo Plains Event: 401 Birding the Carrizo Plain