

Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge

Fall 2026 Schedule of Events

Note: VC = Visitor Center



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Visitor Center: Tues – Sun, 10am to 4pm **Wildlife Drive:** Daily, Dawn to Dusk

September 17 – No Fee for Wildlife Drive, **Constitution Day**

September 20 – Guided Birding* 8am with Terry Allen (meet at VC)

September 26 - Litter Pickup for National Public Lands Day

9am – 12pm. Volunteer to clean up refuge roadsides and improve your public lands! Call 443-737-7701 to register.

September 27 – Guided Birding* 8am with Ron Ketter (meet at VC)

October 4 – Guided Birding* 8am with Terry Allen (meet at VC)

October 10 – Guided Birding* 8am with Jim Green (meet at VC)

October 11 – No Fee for Wildlife Drive, **National Wildlife Refuge Week Kickoff**

October 18 – Guided Birding* 8am with Ron Ketter (meet at VC)

October 21 – Guided Birding* 8am with Jim Green (meet at VC)

October 27 – No Fee for Wildlife Drive, **Teddy Roosevelt's Birthday**

November 1 – Guided Birding* 8am with Terry Allen (meet at VC)

November 10 – Guided Birding* 8am with Jim Green (meet at VC)

November 11 – No Fee for Wildlife Drive, **Veterans Day**

November 22 – Guided Birding* 8am with Ron Ketter (meet at VC)

November 29 – Guided Birding* 8am with Terry Allen (meet at VC)

December 8 – Afternoon Birding* 2pm with Jim Green (meet at VC)

December 13 – Guided Birding* 8am with Terry Allen (meet at VC)

December 27 – Guided Birding* 8am with Ron Ketter (meet at VC)

All December – 10% off your purchase at the FOB's **Eagle's Nest Nature Store!**

March 13, 2027 – EAGLE FESTIVAL! Save the date!

Monthly – Night Sky Tours telescope program, weather permitting, hosted by the Friends of Blackwater. Visit www.friendsofblackwater.org for details.

***Note – All Birding Tours** meet at the Blackwater Visitor Center, 2145 Key Wallace Drive, Cambridge, MD, 21613. Tours begin at 8am, unless otherwise noted. Tours may last 3-4 hours. Bring your binoculars (loaners available) and dress appropriately for the weather. The birding party will caravan via car to birding hotspots around the Wildlife Drive.

Updated 8/28/2026 Calendar updates can be found at:

www.fws.gov/refuge/Blackwater/events or www.friendsofblackwater.org

Call 410-228-2677 for information