



ALLIGATOR RIVER AND PEA ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES PROGRAMS AND EVENTS CALENDAR OCTOBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sep 27	Sep 28	Sep 29	Sep 30	1	2 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM	3 Refuge Tram Tour-\$ 9-11 AM
4	5	6	7	8	9 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM	10
11	12	13 Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival	14 Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival	15 Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival	16 Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival	17 Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival Keynote Event 6 – 8 PM
18 Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival	19	20	21	22	23 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM	31
Nov 1	Nov 2	Nov 3	Nov 4	Nov 5	Nov 6 Pea Island Bird Walk 8-9:30 AM	Nov 7 Refuge Tram Tour-\$ 9-11 AM

\$ = Fee charged, reservation required - Call 252-216-9464 for registration. Registration closes at 2 pm the day before the trip.

If you must cancel, please do so before 2 pm the day before trip or you will be charged for the tour.

For more information about the refuges, please visit:

fws.gov/peaisland or fws.gov/alligatorriver

Or call 252-473-1131



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Alligator River Refuge Tram Tour

\$10 per adult. Children 12 and under free with one or more paying adults. Reservation required. Tram seating is limited. Join us for a trip around the refuge and learn about the wild lands and wildlife. Bring your binoculars and camera! Drinking water and insect repellent are also recommended. The program will occur except with lightning, heavy wind or rain, or impassable road conditions. Dress for the weather! Meet at Creef Cut Wildlife Trail parking lot, Hwy 64 and Milltail Road, app. 6 miles west of Manns Harbor. Call 252-216-9464 for reservations.

Pea Island Bird Walk

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

Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival

The annual Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival began in 1997 to connect the public with wildlife and wildland experiences in regional national wildlife refuges. Hosted across six refuges in northeastern North Carolina, the festival features about 60 programs, including birding, paddling, photography, and natural history, making it one of the premier East Coast wildlife festivals. The Keynote Talk at the historic Pioneer Theater features author Scott Weidensaul's presentation "The Return of the Oystercatcher: Saving Birds to Save the Planet." Program schedule and registration can be found on the festival website at <https://wingsoverwater.org/>