

2019





Snowy Owl

The male Snowy Owl is almost completely white. Females and juveniles have more dark bars across the back and breast

They can be up to 30 inches in length with a 50-inch wingspan.

You can find Snowy Owls sitting on or near the ground in wide-open areas.

They breed in the arctic and will migrate south during the winter.

Their main source of food are voles which can be plentiful in the arctic.

Photo taken Cape Vincent New York

JANUARY 2019

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Parthenos Sylvia

Brown Clipper

Parthenos Sylvia or Brown Clipper Butterfly only live for about 34 days.

Parthenos is Greek for virgin and the name Sylvia stems from the Latin word silva which means wood or forest.

Their range consist of Australia and Asia. They feed off a variety of flowers, mainly the Lantana.

They are strong flyers and can cover a large area each day.

These butterflies are in different colors like blue, green, brown and gold. Each color is thought to be a subspecies of Parthenos Sylvia.

Photo taken at the Butterfly House, Dallas TX

FEBRUARY 2019

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Acorn Woodpecker

Acorn Woodpeckers get their name because they will store a large number of acorns each year. They put each acorn in a specially made hole in a tree. The hole was created just for that acorn.

These woodpeckers prefer to live in family groups. The young may spend several years with their parents helping to raise each season's new brood.

The oldest Acorn Woodpecker on record was over 17 years old.

Photo taken in Davis Mountains, Texas

MARCH 2019

FEBRUARY 2019							APRIL 2019						
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Daylight Savings Time Begins			Ash Wednesday			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
St. Patrick's Day						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Broad-billed Hummingbird

Broad-billed Hummingbird can consume more than 1.6 times its own body weight in nectar daily.

Like most hummingbirds, the Broad-billed cannot walk or hop.

They prefer open deciduous forest and open areas of arid habitats.

Most live in Mexico year-round but some will migrate to the very southern United States near the Mexican border.

Photo taken in Davis Mountains, Texas

APRIL 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
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Palm Sunday	22Tax Day	23	24	25	26Good Friday	27Passover
21Easter Sunday	29	30	1	2	3	4
28						



Bald Eagle

Bald Eagles are majestic birds. They can live over 30 years and will mate for life.

They can be very playful and will pass sticks or other items to each other in mid-air.

A female will usually produce one to three eggs per breeding season.

It takes five years for a juvenile Bald Eagle to get all its white feathers on the head and tail.

Some Bald Eagles will migrate from northern regions to the south during winter.

Photo taken in Sherman, Texas

MAY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
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Mother's Day						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Victoria Day (Canada)					
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Memorial Day					



Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

During spring and summer this bird can be found almost everywhere in North America.

Their mating dance is quite spectacular. It happens and ends in a split second.

Males will also compete for females with mid-air battles.

Scissor-tailed Flycatchers are members of the kingbird genus Tyrannus.

These birds are best known for their beautiful colors and fantastic long tails.

Photo taken in Lewisville, Texas

JUNE 2019

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Flag Day

Father's Day



Western Kingbird

(Leusistic)

Western Kingbirds were originally known as the Arkansas Kingbird. Once it was recognized just how vast their range really is, the name was changed to Western Kingbird.

Watching these birds hunt is fascinating. They prefer insects and will use amazing maneuvers to snatch insects out of the air. Often catching two or more before returning to a perch to eat.

The female builds the nest by herself but both parents aggressively defend the nest and their young.

Pictured is a leucistic Western Kingbird. It has white feathers where gray should be. Rare sight in the wild.

Photo taken in Lewisville, Texas

JULY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1 Canada Day	2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6
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Baltimore Oriole

Baltimore Orioles prefer ripe, dark-colored fruit. They will ignore lighter colored fruit almost every time.

Baltimore Orioles and Bullock's Orioles were considered the same bird and called the Northern Oriole for quite some time. In the 1990s genetic studies proved them to be two separate species.

The male will not get his bright orange feathers until he is almost two years old.

In courtship the male will hop around the female, bow to her and spread his wings. If she likes him too she will fan her tail, flutter her wings and make a chattering call.

Photo taken Dallas Texas

AUGUST 2019

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Bobolink

Bobolink travel about 12,500 miles (20,000 kilometers) back and forth from South America every year. In a lifetime one Bobolink could travel the equivalent of 4 times around the earth.

Their name means rice eating. These birds actually like rice and other grains mostly in the winter and during migration.

Bobolink males may have several mates during one breeding season. Each clutch of eggs a female lay may have eggs from multiple males.

Bobolinks are on the 2016 State of North America's Birds' Watch List

Photo taken in Sherman, Texas

SEPTEMBER 2019

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
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Burrowing Owl

(Leusistic)

Burrowing Owls are very small owls that live and nest in the ground. They usually take over the burrow dug by another burrowing animal. Only a few species will dig their own burrow.

They hunt all hours of the day and night. They often hunt staying close to the ground by hovering, walking or running after prey.

Burrowing Owls are some of the smallest owls measuring up to 9 inches in length and weighing only about 5 ounces.

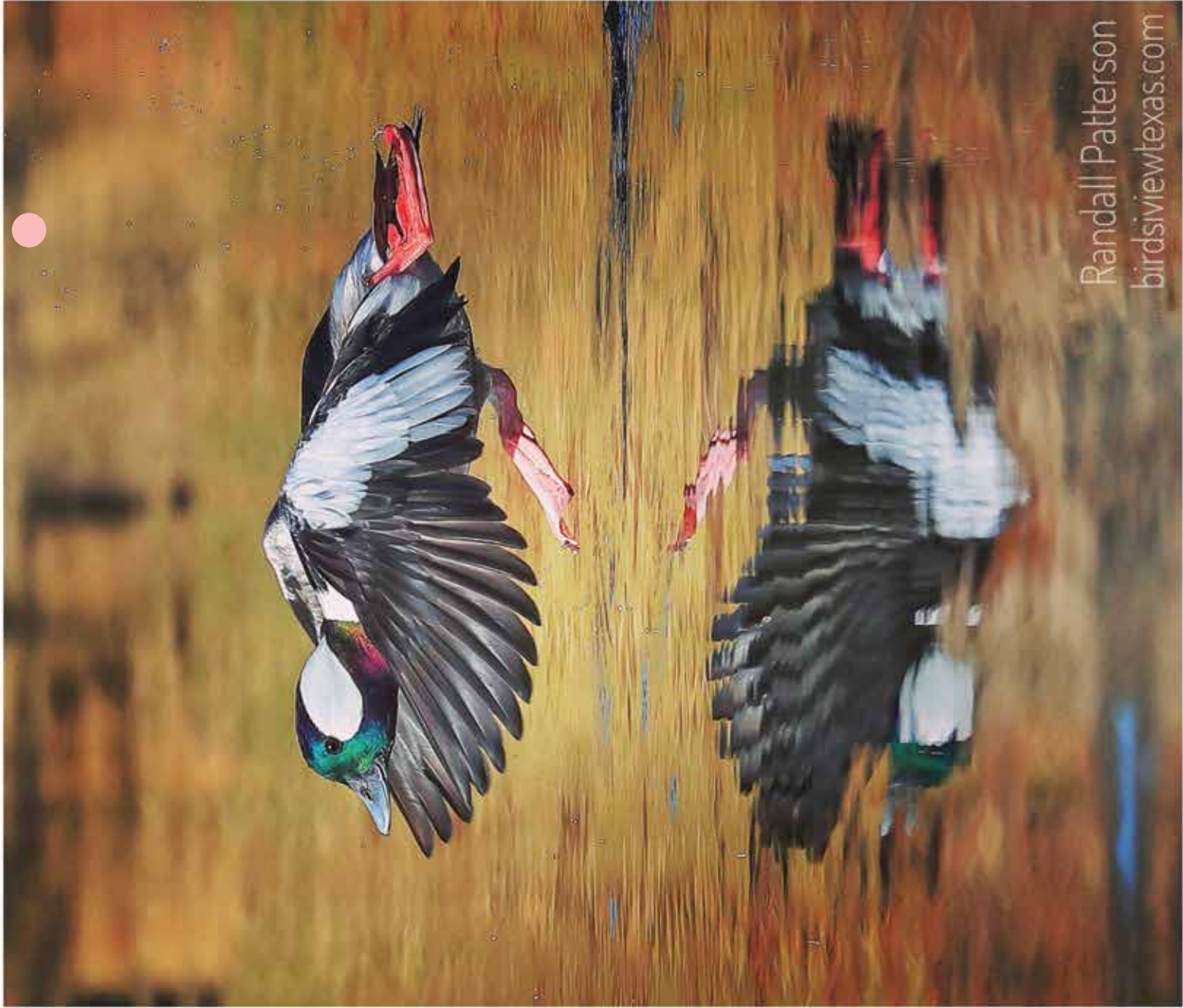
Pictured is a leucistic Burrowing Owl male. He has more whiteish and pale feathers where he would normally have brown mottling and spots.

Photo taken in Amarillo, Texas

OCTOBER 2019

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					Halloween		



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Bufflehead

Bufflehead nests are unique in the fact they will make a nest in a hole previously created by Northern Flickers. They also enjoy nesting in a small nest box.

Although they do not mate for life they will remain with a mate for several years.

Bufflehead fossils have been found in Alaska, California and other states. These fossils are from the late Pleistocene, about 500,000 years ago.

A Bufflehead will dive underwater for aquatic invertebrates, crustaceans and mollusks. In fresh water they feed on damselfly and dragonfly larvae

Photo taken in Coppell, Texas

NOVEMBER 2019

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North American Raccoon

North American Raccoons are usually thirty to thirty-six inches long including their tail which can be ten inches long.

The idea that Raccoons wash their food before eating is a misconception. They just have habits of searching for food in and around water and while eating it will manipulate it in the water.

A female Raccoon will have a litter of up to six young. She takes care of her youngsters through their first year of life.

When food is in short supply, Raccoons will become dormant for days or months at a time.

Photo taken in Sherman, Texas

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DECEMBER 2019

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29	30	31	1 <i>New Year's Day</i>	2	3	4
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19	20 <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

On the cover

Prothonotary Warbler

This beautiful little bird was named after the clerks in the Roman Catholic Church who wore bright yellow robes. These clerks were often called prothonotaries.

Prothonotary Warblers prefer swampy woodlands. They build their nests in a hole in a standing dead tree.

They are monogamous birds and will stay with their mate throughout the breeding season.

Their diet is mostly insects although they will eat snails and mollusks. In non-breeding seasons they will also eat fruit and seeds.

Photo taken Fort Worth, Texas

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