

MISSOURI BIRDING SOCIETY

Fall Meeting 2026



COLUMBIA, MISSOURI
SEPTEMBER 25–27, 2026

*Exploring the wetlands,
woodlands, and prairies
of central Missouri*



Welcome!

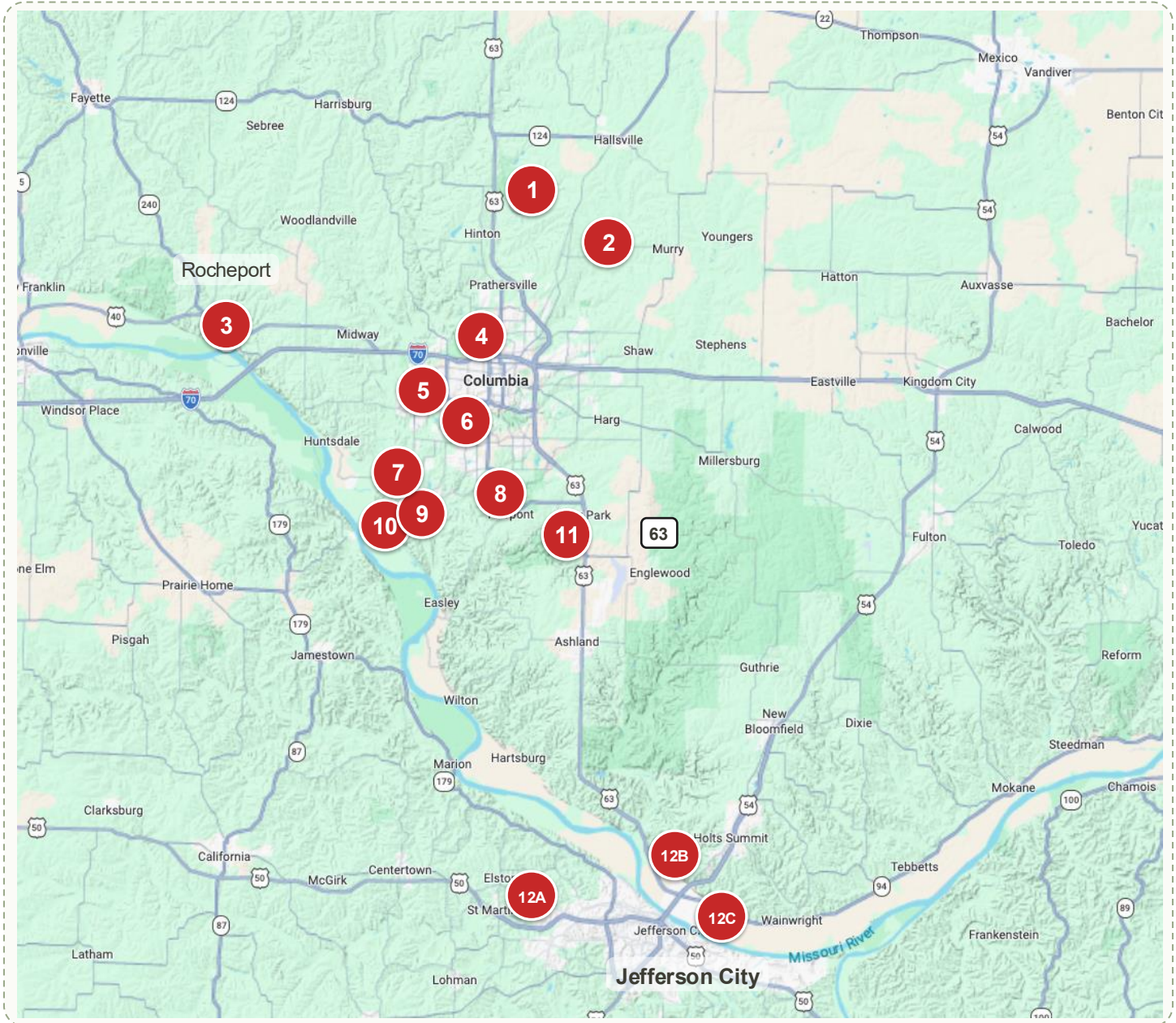
Bird. Learn. Connect.
Enjoy Columbia!



FIELD TRIP OVERVIEW MAP

ALL FIELD TRIPS AT A GLANCE | September 25–27 • Columbia, Missouri

Most outings are within Boone County, a short drive from Columbia — with one trip reaching south toward Jefferson City and another west to Rocheport.



WHERE THE TRIPS GO

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WELCOME TO BOONE COUNTY

MISSOURI BIRDING SOCIETY FALL MEETING 2026

| September 25–27 • Columbia, Missouri

Welcome to Columbia and Boone County for the 2026 Missouri Birding Society Fall Meeting. We hope you'll enjoy a weekend of outstanding birding, good company, and the opportunity to explore some of central Missouri's finest birding locations.

Boone County offers an exceptional diversity of habitats within a short drive, including managed wetlands, restored prairie, mature



forest, glades, streams, and open water. September migration provides an exciting mix of resident and migrating birds, making this one of the best times of year to experience the region.

Whether this is your first MBS meeting or your fiftieth, we hope you'll discover a few new birds, make new friends, and enjoy everything Columbia has to offer.

Meeting Headquarters

Boone Electric Cooperative Community Building

Registration and conference headquarters for the weekend.

Address 1413 Rangeline Street in Columbia, Missouri.

Both meeting rooms are reserved for MBS all weekend, Friday and Saturday. *Alcohol not permitted on premises.*



Lodging

There is no designated host hotel. Attendees are encouraged to reserve rooms at their accommodation of choice at the earliest convenience. Campsites (RV or tent) are available at Finger Lakes State Park

A major cross country meet is in Columbia this weekend, so availability will be tight.

Book early!

Meeting Contacts

Emergency Contacts

Lottie Bushmann • 573-808-0661
Edge Wade • 573-268-3714

Meeting Details & Field Trip Information

For more details on registration and field trips, see mobirds.org/MBS/NextMeeting.aspx 

WEEKEND SCHEDULE & PROGRAM

AT A GLANCE | September 25–27 • Columbia, Missouri

Your weekend at a glance — trips in each slot run at the same time, so choose one.

Weekend Schedule

Friday • Sept. 25

FIELD TRIPS

Afternoon

1:30 p.m. Columbia Audubon Nature Sanctuary

EVENTS

Afternoon

4–6 p.m. Registration

Evening

6 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres & mingling

7 p.m. Speaker

Afternoon & evening at the Boone Electric Cooperative Community Building.



Bird T-Shirt Night

Friday evening — wear your favorite bird tee!

Saturday • Sept. 26

FIELD TRIPS

Times vary — see trip descriptions.

All day

Binder Park, SelectTurf & Mokane Road · Katy Trail & Diana Bend Conservation Area

Morning

Garth Nature Area · Wild Haven Nature Area · Eagle Bluffs Conservation Area · Rocky Fork Lakes CA

Afternoon

Rock Bridge Memorial State Park · 3M Flat Branch–Hinkson · City of Columbia Wetland Unit #2 · Boone County Nature School

EVENTS

Evening

6 p.m. Banquet, annual business meeting & speaker at the Boone Electric Cooperative Community Building

Sunday • Sept. 27

FIELD TRIPS

Times vary — see trip descriptions.

Morning

Columbia Wetland Unit #1 · Columbia Audubon Nature Sanctuary

Late morning

Optional hawk watch at Eagle Bluffs Conservation Area, to 11:30 a.m.

EVENTS

Midday

Noon Picnic lunch at City of Columbia Cosmo-Bethel Park
Weekend species recap

Featured Speakers

Bill Clark

Friday evening • MBS Historian

Society historian and 94-year-old polymath.

Talk: ASM (Alias: MBS) — the First 100 Years

Kristie Nelson

Friday evening • Missouri State Parks

Park naturalist; nearly 20 years a research biologist with Point Blue at Mono Lake.

Talk: Why Birds Count — the science of Christmas Bird Counts

Marlee Malmborg

Saturday banquet • Missouri River Bird Observatory

Operations Director and co-lead of MRBO.

Talk: American Kestrel Box Monitoring Project



FIELD TRIP ESSENTIALS

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Before heading into the field, please review the following information.

What to Bring

- Binoculars
- Drinking water
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Dress in layers for changing weather; hat and sun protection recommended.
- Insect repellent

A spotting scope is recommended for selected trips—see the field-trip pages.

Birding Etiquette

- Respect private property and follow all posted regulations.
- Keep voices low and avoid disturbing wildlife.
- Share spotting scopes and help others enjoy the birds.
- Use playback sparingly and only when appropriate; follow your leader's guidance.
- If you spot a notable bird, quietly alert the group so all can see it.
- Leave each site as you found it—pack out trash and respect the habitat.

Safety

- Stay hydrated and watch for uneven terrain.
- Mosquitoes and ticks may be present—check for ticks afterward.
- Carry any personal medications you may need.

Good to Know

- Restrooms may not be available at all sites.
- Cell service may be limited in some areas.
- **Field trip locations/routes may change based on recent bird activity.**



- All trips maintain an official eBird checklist.
- Leaders will share the checklist with participants whenever possible.

Clickable Links

Throughout this guide, **blue icons** mark clickable links.

Tap any Meet location or QR code to open its map or page.

First Time at an MBS Meeting?

Welcome! We're glad you're here.

MBS field trips are friendly, informal, and designed for birders of all experience levels. Whether you're new to birding or have attended many meetings, don't hesitate to introduce yourself, ask questions, and enjoy learning from one another.

- New birders are always welcome.
- Don't hesitate to ask questions.
- Introduce yourself to your trip leader.
- Look through another participant's scope if invited.
- If you find a bird, quietly let others know.
- **Have fun!**

12 BINDER PARK, SELECTURF & MOKANE ROAD

COLE & CALLAWAY COUNTIES

Leader: Pete Monacell · cell 573-289-8116

Arrival



Meet: Regal Columbia theater lot (NW end)
2800 Goodwin Pointe Dr.



Departure Time: 7:30 a.m.



Parking: theater parking lot



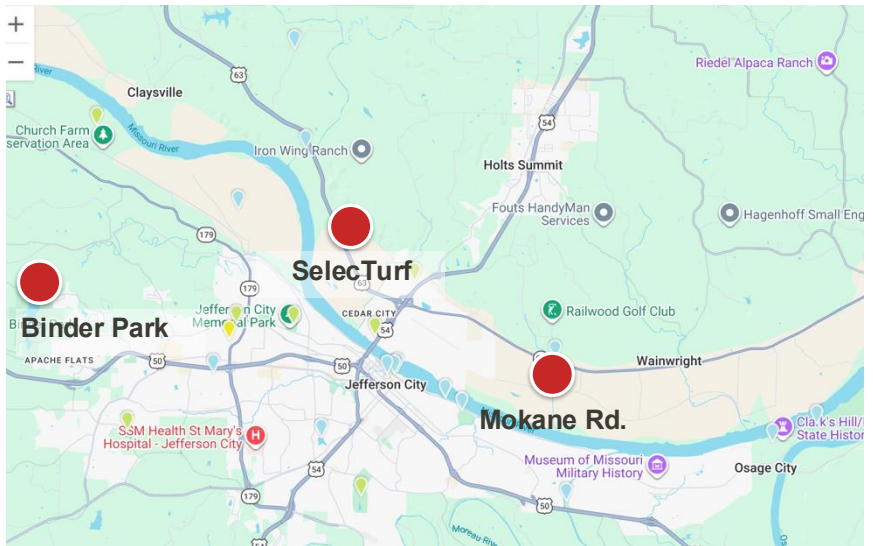
Drive from Meeting Spot:
about 40 min.



Restrooms: At Binder Park only; none at the later stops



Group size: 25 participants max



Binder Park

1st stop:
Shorebird viewing area
Henwick Ln.,
Jefferson City

Park address:
5840 Rainbow Drive,
Jefferson City,
MO 65109

Lunch

Dudley's Restaurant

5525 Bus 50 W, Jefferson City (Apache Flats)

About noon. Home-style diner; cash only (ATM available). Restrooms available.

Those with vegetarian, alpha-gal, or other dietary restrictions may wish to bring a lunch.

About These Sites

The day begins at Binder Park in Jefferson City, opening at the small marsh east of the Binder Lake dam — prime shorebird habitat — then working the lake for woodland and shrubland species. The group later crosses the Missouri River into Callaway County for SelecTurf Sod Farm, good for Buff-breasted Sandpiper and Swainson's Hawk, and Mokane Road just north of the river, where Scissor-tailed Flycatchers gather on wires and fences.

Local Tips

- All day, about 6.5–6.75 hours · Difficulty: easy.
- Look for the leader with the “Binder” sign at the theater lot.
- Bring a scope for the sod farm and lake vantage points; later stops are roadside — pull well off the pavement.
- Little shade at the sod farm or on Mokane Road — bring a hat, water, and sun protection.
- First stop is the shorebird area on Henwick Ln., at the opposite end of the lake from the park's official Rainbow Drive address.

Rochport Trailhead, 700 First Street, Rochport · Rochport River Walk & Howard Co. hotspot
BOONE & HOWARD COUNTIES | Leader: Edge Wade · cell 573-268-3714

Arrival



Meet: Marshalls lot (NW corner)
 1901 Bernadette Dr.



Departure Time: 7:30 a.m.



Parking:
 leave car at Marshalls or park at Rochport trailhead



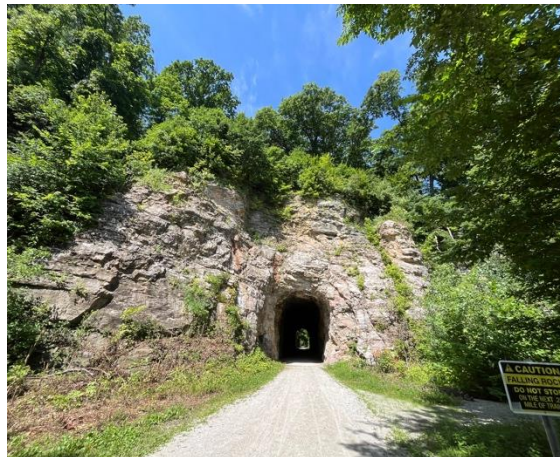
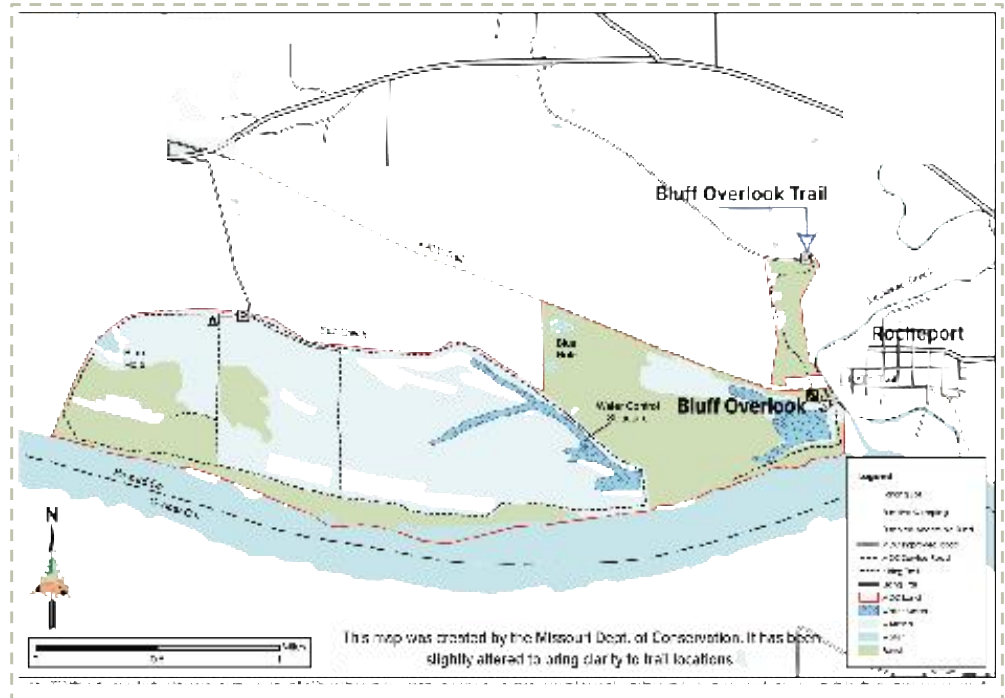
Drive from Meeting Spot:
 about 20 min.



Restrooms: Available at trailhead and nearby café



Group size: 15 participants max



About This Site

The morning walk follows the Katy Trail west across Moniteau Creek to the Diana Bend overlook boardwalk and through the historic railroad tunnel, then back east to the Rochport River Trail through bottomland woods to the Missouri River. The afternoon is spent birding by car at a Howard County hotspot chosen for conditions.

Local Tips

- Expect several miles of mostly level walking on the Katy Trail and riverfront paths.
- Birding is water-dependent — the wetlands peak when the river runs high.

Lunch

Meriwether Café & Bike Shop

700 First St., Rochport
 Scratch-made breakfast and lunch adjacent to the Katy Trail.

SATURDAY MORNING FIELD TRIPS

Four Saturday morning trips · choose one when you register · two more on pp. 9–10

4 GARTH NATURE AREA

CITY OF COLUMBIA · Leader: Greg Leonard · 573-823-4759

Meet: 2799 Garth Ave., Columbia

Time: 7:30 a.m. · 3–4 hrs, easy

Parking: site parking available

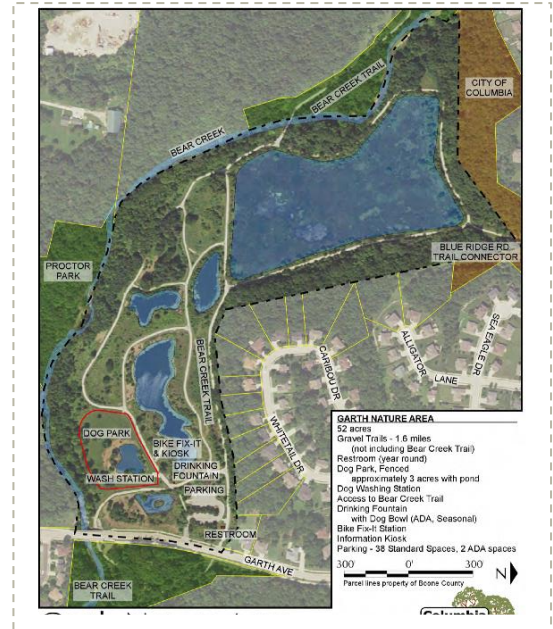
Restrooms: Vault toilet at parking lot

Group size: 20 participants max

Garth Nature Area threads 1.6 miles of gravel trail around a series of small wetlands on Columbia's north side. It is a good place for migrating warblers and sparrows, with water birds on the pools.

Local Tips

- Flat paved and gravel trails; about 3–4 hours at an easy pace.
- Wetland pools can add ducks and other water birds to the day.



2 WILD HAVEN NATURE AREA

BOONE COUNTY · Leaders: John Besser & Cathy Richter · 573-639-2211

Meet: Regal Columbia theater lot (NE end) 2800 Goodwin Pointe Dr.

Time: 7:30 a.m. · half-day, moderate

Parking: Theater lot; carpool to site

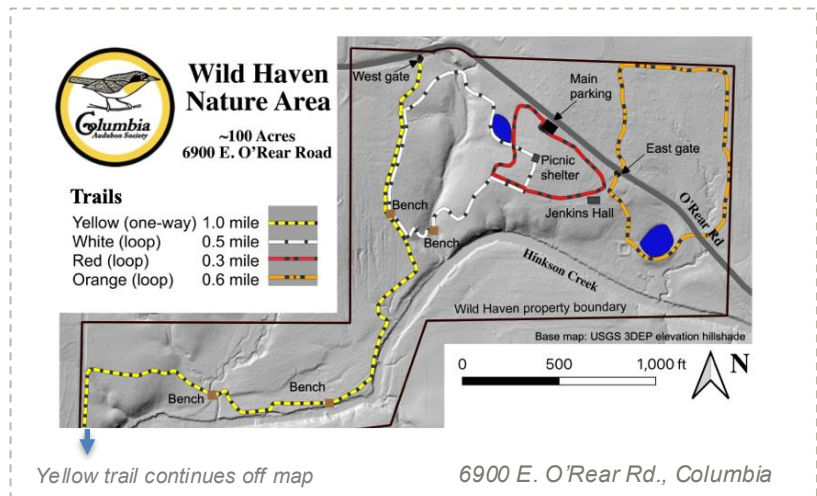
Restrooms: Deluxe Outhouse

Group size: 20 participants max

A 100-acre Columbia Audubon Society property north of town along a one-mile stretch of Hinkson Creek. Grassland, oak woodland, ponds, and floodplain forest draw songbirds.

Local Tips

- Two trails leave from the theater lot — look for the "Wild Haven" sign.
- The white trail crosses a streambed — do not attempt to cross during high water.
- A few trail sections are rocky and moderately steep.



Yellow · Moderate — oak woodlands, bottomland forest, riparian corridor, meadow
White · Moderate — oak woodlands, creek, meadow, pond, restored savanna, sandstone glade
Red · Easy — second-growth forest, restored savanna, mowed lawn
Orange · Easy — pond edge, mature forest, second-growth forest; access via the red trail

EAGLE BLUFFS CONSERVATION AREA & SUNDAY HAWK WATCH

BOONE COUNTY

Leaders: Paul McKenzie · cell 573-234-0550 · Chris Barrigar · 573-234-0550

Arrival



Meet: Eagle Bluffs HQ
6700 Route K



Departure Time: 7:45 a.m.
(leaving 8:00)



Parking: Eagle Bluffs HQ
lower lot



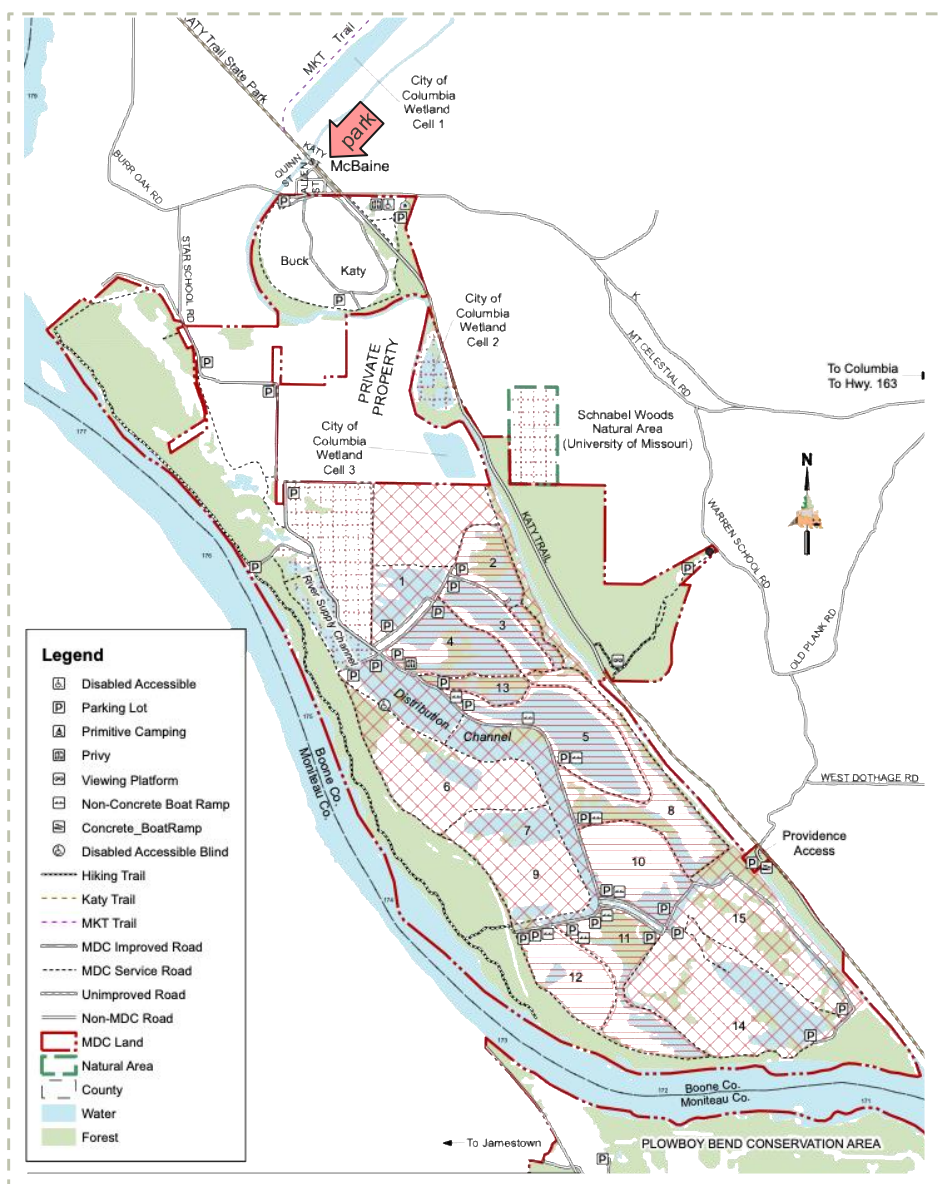
Drive from Meeting Spot: 5
minutes



Restrooms: vault toilets at
parking area and one at
Eagle Bluffs



Group size: 20 participants
max



About This Site

Birding here is primarily by vehicle, caravanning from the Katy Trail lot through a premier managed wetland complex and stopping at several points for fall migrants. Pools, moist-soil units, and river-bottom edges concentrate shorebirds, waterfowl, and sparrows through September.

Local Tips

- A scope is useful for scanning shorebirds and waterfowl across the larger pools.
- Bring boots if you opt to look for Nelson's Sparrow.

A SECOND CHANCE — SUNDAY Hawk Watch

- Sunday, 8:30 to about 11:30 a.m. Meets at Pool 2.
- Leader: Paul McKenzie · 573-234-0550.
- No participant limit; easy.
- Parking at Pool 2 is very limited — carpool from the Katy Trail lot.
- Bring a scope to share.

1 ROCKY FORK LAKES CONSERVATION AREA

E. Peabody Rd, Columbia, MO 65202

BOONE COUNTY

Leader: Joseph Mosley · cell 660-492-7954

Arrival

 **Meet:** Peabody Rd. 

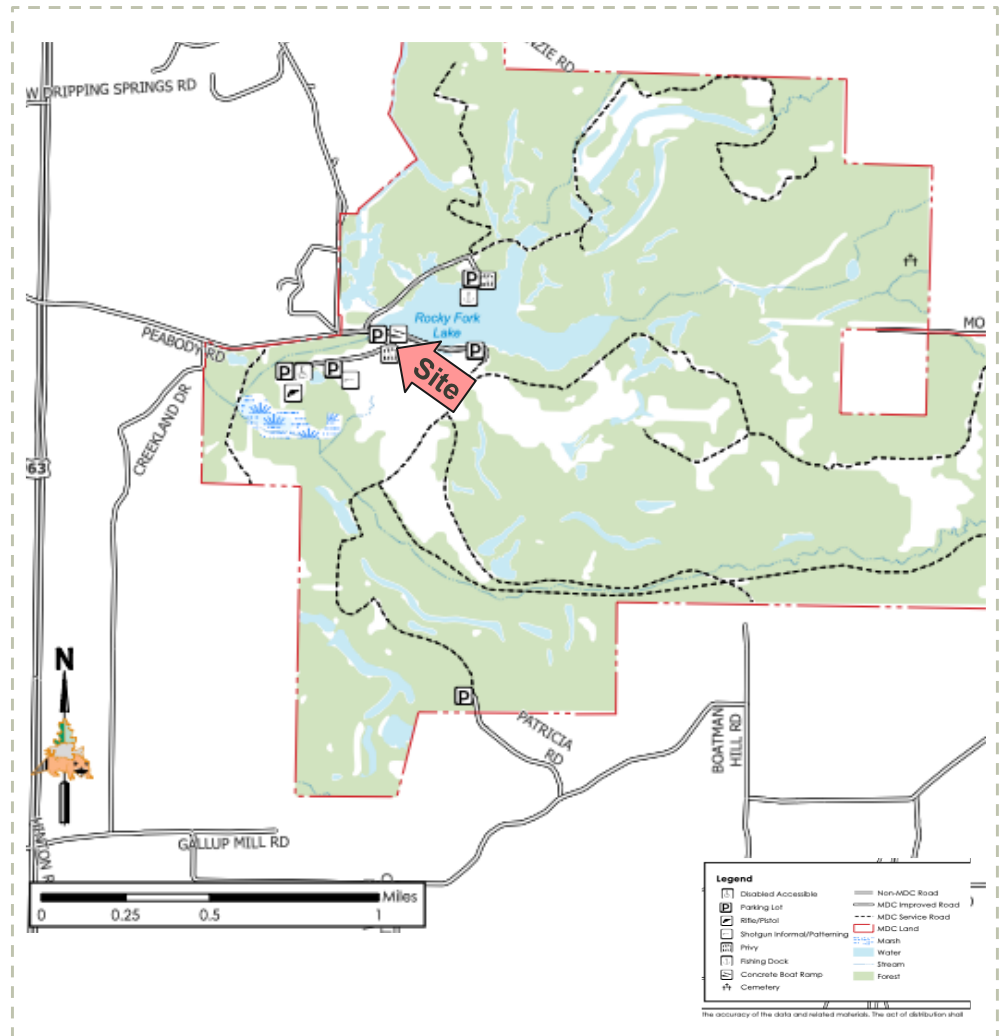
 **Departure Time:** 7:30 a.m.

 **Parking:** on site

 **Drive from Meeting Spot:**
N/A

 **Restrooms:** Vault toilets at
parking area

 **Group size:** 20 participants
max



About This Site

Rocky Fork Lakes Conservation Area covers more than 2,000 acres of reclaimed mine land in northern Boone County — shallow lakes, wetlands, restored grassland, and second-growth woodland. The leader selects the route by conditions, following mostly level natural-surface trails for late residents and fall migrants.

Local Tips

- Half-day · Difficulty: moderate.
- Meet at the vault toilets on Peabody Rd. just past where the pavement ends.
- Google Maps points to the fishing-dock toilets — continue straight to the correct lot.
- Gravel access roads can be rough — a higher-clearance vehicle helps.



SATURDAY AFTERNOON FIELD TRIPS

Four Saturday afternoon trips · choose one when you register · see also pp. 12 and 13

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ROCK BRIDGE MEMORIAL STATE PARK

BOONE COUNTY · Leader: Ben West · cell 319-383-3058

Arrival



Meet: Devil's Icebox lot
5901 S Highway 163



Departure Time: 1:30 p.m.



Parking: available on site



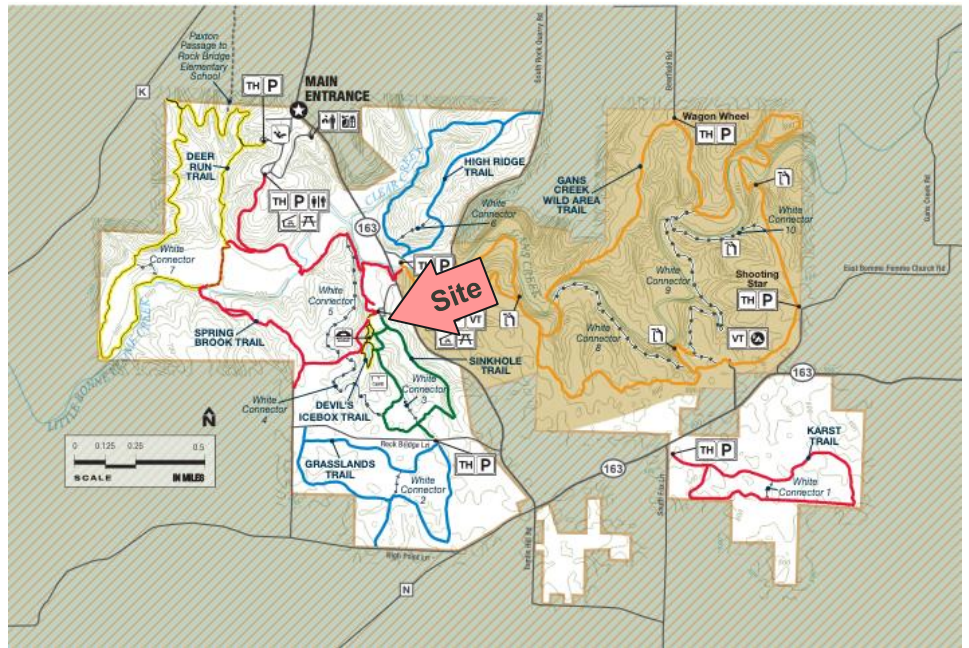
Drive from Meeting Spot:
N/A



Restrooms: Vault toilets on site; Pierpont General Store nearby



Group size: 20 participants max



About This Site

One of Missouri's finest state parks, Rock Bridge combines wooded ridges, spring-fed streams, and the Devil's Icebox karst system. The route follows the Springbrook and Sinkhole trails over natural-surface footing and boardwalk through mature woodland, prime habitat for migrating warblers and vireos.

Local Tips

- About 2 miles / up to 3 hours · Difficulty: moderate.
- Meet at the Devil's Icebox lot, past the Gans Creek bridge off Hwy 163.
- Fall migration fills the canopy with warblers, vireos, and thrushes.
- Wear sturdy shoes — trails can be rocky and damp.

6 3M FLAT BRANCH–HINKSON CREEK WETLANDS

CITY OF COLUMBIA · Leader: Lottie Bushmann · 573-808-0661

Meet: Forum Nature Area parking lot
2701 Forum Blvd., Columbia

Time: 1:30 p.m. · 3–3.5 hrs, moderate

Parking: available on site

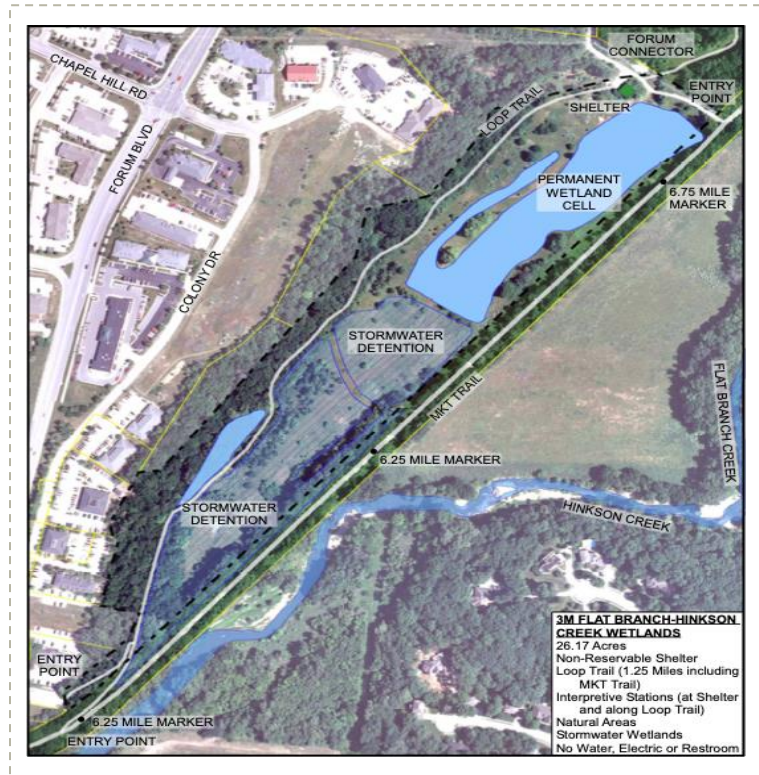
Restrooms: Vault toilet at parking area

Group size: 20 participants max

A wide, level 1.75-mile trail along a Katy Trail spur in southeast Columbia, running through woodland and wetland — a productive migration stop for warblers, vireos, and Lincoln's Sparrows.

Local Tips

- Walking is on gravel paths and mowed grass trail; bug repellent is recommended.
- Water levels vary and strongly influence which species are present.



9 CITY OF COLUMBIA WETLAND UNIT #2

BOONE COUNTY · Leader: Jean Leonatti · 573-819-6914

Meet: Eagle Bluffs HQ lower lot
6700 W Rte K

Time: 1:30 p.m. · half-day, easy

Parking: Eagle Bluffs HQ lower lot

Restrooms: Vault toilet at meeting site

Group size: 20 participants max

The route covers the part of Eagle Bluffs Conservation Area behind the headquarters, then follows the Katy Trail to Wetland Unit #2. A levee top encircles the units, giving open vantage points for marsh birds and waterfowl.

Local Tips

- Two to three miles of flat gravel trail and levee top.
- A scope helps for scanning the open wetland units.



SATURDAY & SUNDAY FIELD TRIPS

One Saturday afternoon trip · one Sunday morning trip

11 BOONE COUNTY NATURE SCHOOL

BOONE COUNTY · Leaders: Ragan Webb & Andrew Kinslow

Meet: 8989 S Tom Bass Rd. 

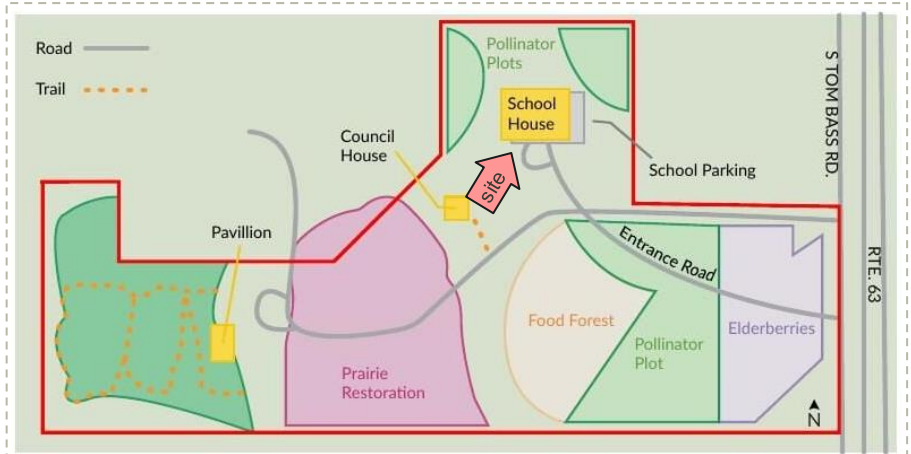
Time: Saturday 1:30 p.m. · 3 hrs

Parking: available on site

Restrooms: In Nature School

Group size: 20 participants max

A 111-acre outdoor learning campus run by Columbia Public Schools and the Missouri Department of Conservation, bordering Three Creeks Conservation Area. Restored prairie, ponds, wetland, and forest form a rich habitat mosaic within a short drive of Columbia.



Source: Boone County Nature School

CJ CHRISTY/Missourian



Local Tips

- Access requires an MDC Special Use Permit; campus is not open to the public.
- Watch for Red-headed Woodpeckers, Field Sparrows, and Barred Owls.

7 CITY OF COLUMBIA WETLAND UNIT #1

BOONE COUNTY · Leader: Greg Leonard · 573-823-4759

Meet: McBaine Katy Trail SP lot 

Time: Sunday 7:30 a.m. · 2–3 hrs, moderate

Parking: available on site

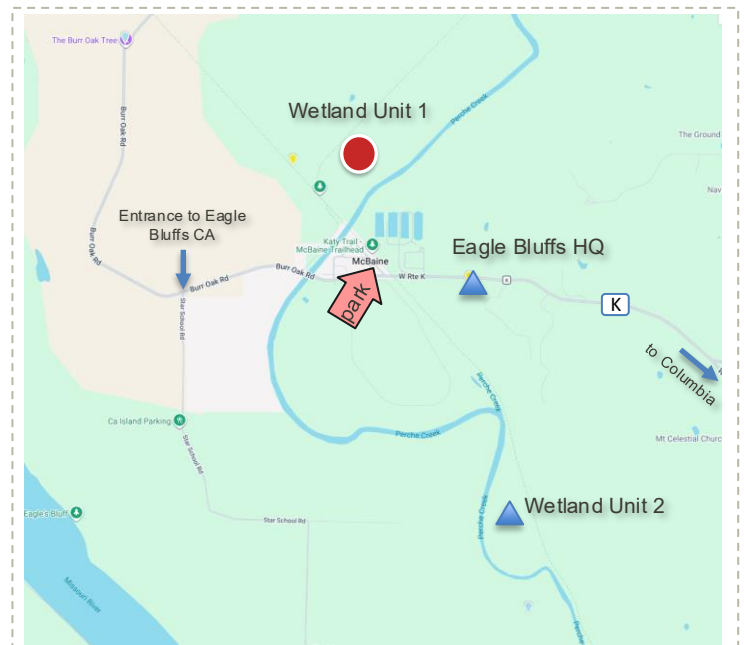
Restrooms: Vault toilets at meeting site (McBaine Katy Trail SP lot)

Group size: 20 participants max

A water treatment wetland that filters Columbia wastewater before it flows on toward Eagle Bluffs. A gravel trail circles the pools for ducks, geese, and shorebirds, with warblers in the surrounding woods. An optional hawk watch follows for those who stay on.

Local Tips

- Walk the levee/gravel loop and scan each wetland cell separately — birds can concentrate in just one or two cells.
- Check cattail edges carefully for rails and other marsh birds.



FRIDAY & SUNDAY FIELD TRIP · PICNIC LUNCH

Columbia Audubon Sanctuary — Friday 1:30 p.m. or Sunday 8:00 a.m. · lunch follows Sunday

5 COLUMBIA AUDUBON NATURE SANCTUARY

CITY OF COLUMBIA · Friday leader: John Besser · 573-639-2211 · Sunday leader: Emma Buckingham · 832-754-0936

Meet: CANS lot, 3607 Bray Ave. 

Time: Friday 1:30 p.m. · half-day
Also Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Parking: Sanctuary lot, Bray Ave.

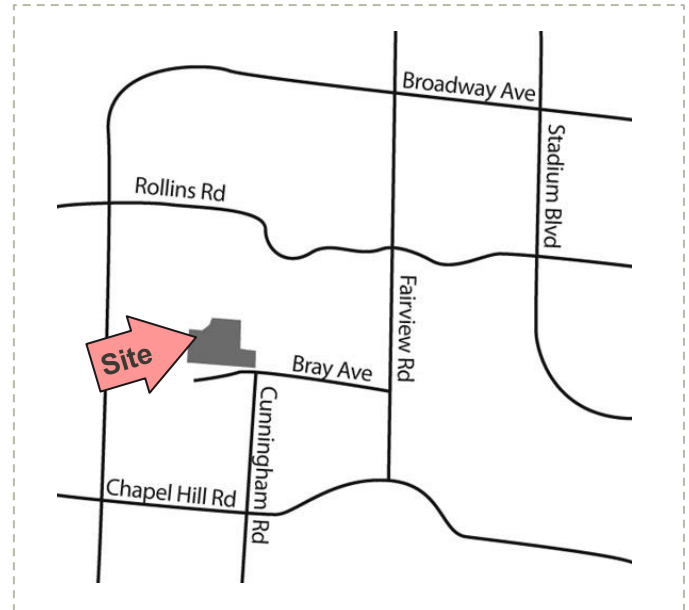
Restrooms: None

Group size: 20 participants max

A 28-acre Columbia Audubon Society sanctuary inside the city limits. Paved and natural-surface trails with moderate inclines wind through restored prairie and woodland — prime ground for migrating warblers and vireos.

Local Tips

- A magnet for migrating warblers — redstart, northern parula, and blackpoll.
- Woodpeckers abound: pileated, red-headed, and red-bellied.



PICNIC LUNCH · COSMO-BETHEL PARK

CITY OF COLUMBIA · Open to all attendees, bird the park at your leisure

Meet: Cosmo-Bethel Park shelter 
4500 Bethel St

Time: About noon · 1–2 hrs, easy

Parking: on site

Restrooms: At the park shelter

Group size: All attendees welcome

The weekend closes at Cosmo-Bethel Park, a 40-acre city park with a half-mile paved trail circling a lake — easy walking with a good mix of residents and migrants.

Local Tips

- Scan the lake for Mute Swans, which have bred here in recent years.
- Stay for the meeting **species tally** after lunch.



BIRD ON YOUR OWN

SELF-GUIDED BIRDING • BOONE COUNTY

| September 25–27 • Columbia, Missouri

Explore central Missouri on your own schedule. Each of these public sites is within easy reach of Columbia and rewards a self-guided visit.

Stephens Lake Park

2001 E Broadway, Columbia, MO 65201

Columbia's signature city park just east of downtown, with a lake, mature shade trees, and paved trails for easy, accessible birding. Picnic shelters and a lakeside gazebo give you plenty of places to sit and watch the water.

Seasonal Highlights

September brings migrating warblers, vireos, and flycatchers to the trees, with sparrows along the brushy edges and a few early ducks on the lake.



Scan for hotspot
eBird: L1056231

Little Dixie Lake Conservation Area

4324 State Road J, Fulton, MO 65251

A 205-acre lake near Millersburg in Callaway County (Fulton postal address), ringed by forest, old fields, and grassland, about 25 miles east of Columbia with quiet trails and open water.

Seasonal Highlights

Fall migration brings waterfowl, grebes, and gulls to the open water, with sparrows and songbirds along the wooded edges.



Scan for hotspot
eBird: L342587

Three Creeks Conservation Area

E Deer Park Rd, Columbia, MO 65201

Nearly 1,500 acres of forested valleys and clear streams south of Columbia and just off Highway 63, with miles of hiking, biking, and horseback trails. Several paths ford the creeks, so expect wet crossings after rain.

Seasonal Highlights

Watch for mixed feeding flocks of migrant songbirds, wrens, and woodpeckers along the creek bottoms.



Scan for hotspot
eBird: L342783

Grindstone Nature Area

2011 Old Hwy 63 S, Columbia, MO 65201

Grindstone Nature Area follows Hinkson Creek a few miles south of downtown Columbia, with woodland, prairie, and streamside habitat. Nearby Capen Park extends the natural corridor, and the two areas are linked by the MKT and Grindstone trails.

Seasonal Highlights

Early-fall migrants gather in the brushy edges — warblers, flycatchers, and the season's first sparrows.



Scan for hotspot
eBird: L385847

COLUMBIA VISITOR GUIDE

THE DISTRICT, DINING & PLACES TO VISIT

| September 25–27 • Columbia, Missouri

Your guide to downtown Columbia — the walkable District, local favorites to eat and drink, and the best sights nearby.

The District

Columbia's beating heart — equal parts college town, art scene and nightlife.

Explore — 50 square blocks bound by three campuses

Shop & See — local shops, galleries & boutiques

After Dark — live music, patios & taprooms

Around — three college campuses; a stroll from hotels



Eat & Drink

Skip the chains — these are the homegrown favorites locals swear by.

Coffee — Kaldi's & Lakota, S. 9th St

Breakfast — Café Berlin, Ernie's, Broadway Diner

Lunch — Shakespeare's, Booches, Flat Branch

Dinner — Barred Owl, Endwell, 44 Canteen

Brews & Sweets — Logboat, Flat Branch, Broadway Brewery, Sparky's Ice Cream

Places to Visit

University of Missouri (Mizzou) — historic Francis Quadrangle & the Columns

Shelter Gardens — a five-acre garden with a pond & walking paths off Broadway

State Historical Society of Missouri — art galleries & exhibits downtown

Museum of Art & Archaeology — free galleries at Mizzou, ancient to modern art

Les Bourgeois Vineyards — bluff-top river views in nearby Rocheport

The Big Tree (McBaine Bur Oak) — a ~350-year-old bur oak just past Eagle Bluffs CA

Saturday Market

Columbia Farmers Market at Clary-Shy Park — produce, crafts and food trucks on Saturday mornings.



Columbia at a Glance

Founded **1821**

Population **~130,000**

Home of the **University of Missouri (1839)**

Midway between **St. Louis & Kansas City**

Parks & trails **100+ parks • 60+ miles of trails**

Gateway to some of Missouri's finest wetlands, forests, and prairies.



Photo by Heath Cajandig

WORTH A TRIP
The Big Tree
McBaine Bur Oak
~350 years old

SEPTEMBER BIRD CHECKLIST

BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI | 203 species most often reported in September

WATERFOWL

- ___ Canada Goose
- ___ Wood Duck
- ___ Blue-winged Teal
- ___ Mallard
- ___ Northern Shoveler
- ___ Green-winged Teal
- ___ Northern Pintail
- ___ Mute Swan
- ___ Gadwall
- ___ Greater White-fronted Goose
- ___ Snow Goose
- ___ American Wigeon

GAMEBIRDS

- ___ Wild Turkey
- ___ Northern Bobwhite

PIGEONS & DOVES

- ___ Rock Pigeon
- ___ Eurasian Collared-Dove
- ___ Mourning Dove

CUCKOOS

- ___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo
- ___ Black-billed Cuckoo

NIGHTJARS

- ___ Common Nighthawk
- ___ Eastern Whip-poor-will

SWIFTS

- ___ Chimney Swift

HUMMINGBIRDS

- ___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird

RAILS & COOTS

- ___ Sora
- ___ American Coot
- ___ Virginia Rail

POLOVERS

- ___ Killdeer
- ___ Semipalmated Plover

SANDPIPERS & ALLIES

- ___ Wilson's Snipe
- ___ Solitary Sandpiper
- ___ Lesser Yellowlegs
- ___ Least Sandpiper
- ___ Pectoral Sandpiper
- ___ Spotted Sandpiper
- ___ Greater Yellowlegs
- ___ Stilt Sandpiper
- ___ Semipalmated Sandpiper
- ___ Baird's Sandpiper
- ___ Red-necked Phalarope
- ___ American Woodcock
- ___ Short-billed Dowitcher
- ___ Wilson's Phalarope
- ___ Upland Sandpiper
- ___ Sanderling

GULLS & TERNS

- ___ Ring-billed Gull
- ___ Caspian Tern
- ___ Forster's Tern

PELICANS

- ___ American White Pelican

GREBES

- ___ Pied-billed Grebe

CORMORANTS

- ___ Double-crested Cormorant

IBISES

- ___ White-faced Ibis

HERONS & EGRETS

- ___ Green Heron
- ___ Great Egret
- ___ Great Blue Heron
- ___ Yellow-crowned Night Heron
- ___ American Bittern
- ___ Black-crowned Night Heron

VULTURES

- ___ Turkey Vulture
- ___ Black Vulture

OSPREY

- ___ Osprey

HAWKS, EAGLES & KITES

- ___ Cooper's Hawk
- ___ Northern Harrier
- ___ Bald Eagle
- ___ Mississippi Kite
- ___ Broad-winged Hawk
- ___ Red-shouldered Hawk
- ___ Red-tailed Hawk
- ___ Sharp-shinned Hawk
- ___ Swallow-tailed Kite
- ___ Swainson's Hawk

OWLS

- ___ Great Horned Owl
- ___ Barred Owl
- ___ Eastern Screech-Owl

KINGFISHERS

- ___ Belted Kingfisher

WOODPECKERS

- ___ Red-headed Woodpecker
- ___ Red-bellied Woodpecker
- ___ Downy Woodpecker
- ___ Hairy Woodpecker
- ___ Pileated Woodpecker
- ___ Northern Flicker
- ___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

FALCONS

- ___ American Kestrel
- ___ Merlin
- ___ Peregrine Falcon

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

- ___ Olive-sided Flycatcher
- ___ Eastern Wood-Pewee
- ___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
- ___ Acadian Flycatcher
- ___ Least Flycatcher
- ___ Eastern Phoebe
- ___ Great Crested Flycatcher
- ___ Eastern Kingbird
- ___ Alder Flycatcher
- ___ Willow Flycatcher
- ___ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

VIREOS

- ___ White-eyed Vireo
- ___ Yellow-throated Vireo
- ___ Blue-headed Vireo
- ___ Philadelphia Vireo
- ___ Eastern Warbling Vireo
- ___ Red-eyed Vireo
- ___ Bell's Vireo

JAYS & CROWS

- ___ Blue Jay
- ___ American Crow
- ___ Fish Crow

CHICKADEES & TITMICE

- ___ Black-capped Chickadee
- ___ Tufted Titmouse

LARKS

- ___ Horned Lark

SWALLOWS

- ___ Tree Swallow
- ___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- ___ Barn Swallow
- ___ Cliff Swallow
- ___ Bank Swallow
- ___ Purple Martin

KINGLETS

- ___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- ___ Golden-crowned Kinglet

NUTHATCHES

- ___ White-breasted Nuthatch
- ___ Red-breasted Nuthatch

CREEPERS

- ___ Brown Creeper

GNATCATCHERS

- ___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

WRENS

- ___ Northern House Wren
- ___ Sedge Wren
- ___ Marsh Wren
- ___ Carolina Wren
- ___ Bewick's Wren
- ___ Winter Wren

STARLINGS

- ___ European Starling

MOCKINGBIRDS & THRASHERS

- ___ Gray Catbird
- ___ Brown Thrasher
- ___ Northern Mockingbird

THRUSHES

- ___ Eastern Bluebird
- ___ Swainson's Thrush
- ___ American Robin
- ___ Wood Thrush
- ___ Veery
- ___ Gray-cheeked Thrush
- ___ Hermit Thrush

PIPITS

- ___ American Pipit

WAXWINGS

- ___ Cedar Waxwing

OLD WORLD SPARROWS

- ___ House Sparrow

FINCHES

- ___ House Finch
- ___ American Goldfinch
- ___ Pine Siskin

NEW WORLD SPARROWS

- ___ Chipping Sparrow
- ___ Field Sparrow
- ___ Song Sparrow
- ___ Eastern Towhee
- ___ Swamp Sparrow
- ___ Lincoln's Sparrow
- ___ Nelson's Sparrow
- ___ Savannah Sparrow
- ___ White-throated Sparrow
- ___ Lark Sparrow
- ___ Dark-eyed Junco
- ___ Grasshopper Sparrow
- ___ White-crowned Sparrow

BLACKBIRDS & ORIOLES

- ___ Eastern Meadowlark
- ___ Baltimore Oriole
- ___ Red-winged Blackbird
- ___ Common Grackle
- ___ Brown-headed Cowbird
- ___ Bobolink
- ___ Orchard Oriole
- ___ Yellow-headed Blackbird

WOOD-WARBLES

- ___ Ovenbird
- ___ Northern Waterthrush
- ___ Golden-winged Warbler
- ___ Black-and-white Warbler
- ___ Tennessee Warbler
- ___ Orange-crowned Warbler
- ___ Nashville Warbler
- ___ Kentucky Warbler
- ___ Common Yellowthroat
- ___ American Redstart
- ___ Northern Parula
- ___ Magnolia Warbler
- ___ Bay-breasted Warbler
- ___ Blackburnian Warbler
- ___ Northern Yellow Warbler
- ___ Chestnut-sided Warbler
- ___ Yellow-rumped Warbler
- ___ Yellow-throated Warbler
- ___ Black-throated Green Warbler
- ___ Canada Warbler
- ___ Wilson's Warbler
- ___ Blue-winged Warbler
- ___ Pine Warbler
- ___ Prothonotary Warbler
- ___ Palm Warbler
- ___ Mourning Warbler
- ___ Worm-eating Warbler
- ___ Louisiana Waterthrush
- ___ Prairie Warbler
- ___ Painted Redstart
- ___ Hooded Warbler

CHATS

- ___ Yellow-breasted Chat

CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS & TANAGERS

- ___ Summer Tanager
- ___ Northern Cardinal
- ___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- ___ Blue Grosbeak
- ___ Indigo Bunting
- ___ Dickcissel
- ___ Scarlet Tanager

QR RESOURCES

SCAN TO EXPLORE & CONNECT

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Each field trip has its own code below—scan it for that hotspot's map, directions, and recent eBird sightings.

FIELD-TRIP CODES

| numbered to match the field trip overview map on p. 2



1. Rocky Fork Lakes CA
eBird: L342604



2. Wild Haven Nature Area
eBird: L1546452



3. Katy Trail & Diana Bend CA
eBird: L3049688



4. Garth Nature Area
eBird: L7347693



5. Columbia Audubon Nature Sanctuary
eBird: L2154621



6. 3M Flat Branch-Hinkson
eBird: L1803454



7. Columbia Wetland Unit #1
eBird: L374148



8. Rock Bridge Memorial SP
eBird: L268157



9. City of Columbia Wetland Unit #2
eBird: L677844



10. Eagle Bluffs CA & Hawk Watch
eBird: L158323



11. Boone Co. Nature School
eBird: L11434497



12A. Binder Park
eBird: L342597



12B. SelecTurf Sod Farm
eBird: L15945032



12C. Mokane Road
eBird: L6123523



Lunch. Cosmo-Bethel Park
eBird: L1020896

HOW TO SCAN

Point your phone's camera at a code
— no app needed — then tap the
link to open the eBird hotspot.

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