

## MORE INFORMATION ON BIRDS

**Students can use the following online resources to learn more about Neotropical migratory bird species:**

### [All About Birds](#)

Created by the staff of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, this free website is probably the best and most comprehensive resource for teachers and students who wish to research North American birds and learn bird watching skills and about bird conservation. Click on the [Bird Guide](#) to search for specific species of birds.

### [Birds of North America Online](#)

This reference has also been developed by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. More comprehensive than All About Birds, it is probably most useful for teachers. Portions of it can be tried for free, but it does cost to subscribe (1 month-\$5; 1 year-\$42).

### [Smithsonian Migratory Bird Center](#)

A number of content-related resources can be found at the SMBC website. Teachers may find the following [fact sheets](#) to be especially valuable:

- Neotropical Migratory Bird Basics
- Have Wings, Will Travel: Avian Adaptations for Migration
- Travel Alert for Migratory Birds: Stopover Sites in Decline
- Why Migratory Birds are Crazy for Coffee
- How Birds Keep our World Safe from the Plagues of Insects
- When it Comes to Pesticides, Birds are Sitting Ducks
- Brown-Headed Cowbirds: From Buffalo Birds to Modern Scourge
- Western Rivers: Magnets for Migrants
- Migrant Landbirds in the Andes

### [The Internet Bird Collection](#)

This web site is free and has good, short video clips of about half of all the bird species in the world. Students can search using a bird's common to quickly get links to all video clips of that species on the site. Registration and login are required.

### [The Audubon Society](#)

The Audubon Society aims to conserve and restore natural ecosystems by focusing on birds, other wildlife, and their habitats. Audubon organizations can be found in every state and all contain many resources for learning about bird and birding. Contacting state and local chapters is made easy through this page:

<http://www.audubon.org/states/index.php>

Your **state's department of fish and game/wildlife** can be an excellent resource in learning more about the wildlife, including migratory birds, of your state.