

Maryland & DC Breeding Bird Atlas 3



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Breeding bird atlases are a great way for you to explore new birding areas, learn more about the behavior of their local birds, and contribute directly to bird conservation! The Maryland & DC Breeding Bird Atlas 3 began in January 2020 and will continue until December 2024. This community science effort will document the distribution, abundance, and timing of the birds breeding in Maryland and DC. Volunteers will use the website ebird.org/atlasmddc to collect atlas data. The Atlas Coordinator, Gabriel Foley, has researched nighthawk habitat use, sparrow-weaver nesting behavior, and acoustic analysis, was the host of a weekly nature radio show, The Prairie Naturalist, and is an avid birder. He will be discussing what the Atlas is, how it is used to conserve birds and their habitats, and how, with a little knowledge of your local birds, you can get involved. You can follow the Atlas on social media at [@mddcbba3](https://twitter.com/mddcbba3).