



Conserving Birds from the Maritimes to Mexico



On the breeding grounds

The Maritimes Breeding Bird Atlas

- The Atlas is the region's most extensive bird monitoring project and the largest volunteer-based initiative in the Maritimes.

- Over five years, 1,000 "citizen scientists" from the Maritimes will spend more than 100,000 hours surveying for breeding birds. The information they gather will enable us to document changes in breeding bird distribution and abundance.



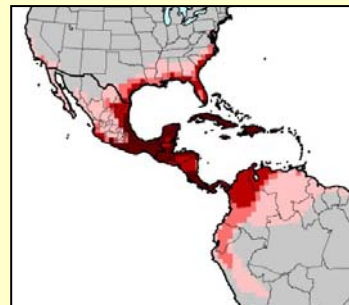
- Wild birds are a critical part of healthy ecosystems. The Atlas project will identify species and habitats of conservation concern and help set future conservation priorities.



On the wintering grounds

Birds and shade-grown coffee

- Many birds that breed in the Maritimes travel south to Mexico and Central and South America for the winter



Wintering areas for bird species that breed in the Maritimes (darker areas are areas with strongest ties, i.e. most species links)

- Shade-grown coffee's multi-layered vegetation structure provides food and cover for many birds. In the shaded overstory, birds feed on flower and fruit crops, as well as insects.
- Of the agricultural systems in the tropics, shade-grown coffee plantations have some of the highest numbers of migratory birds.



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Birds we share

Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Cliff Swallow	Yellow Warbler	Mourning Warbler
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Barn Swallow	Magnolia Warbler	Wilson's Warbler
Alder Flycatcher	Swainson's Thrush	Black-throated Green Warbler	Canada Warbler
Least Flycatcher	Wood Thrush	Blackburnian Warbler	Yellow-breasted Chat
Yellow-throated Vireo	Tennessee Warbler	Black-and-white Warbler	Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Blue-headed Vireo	Nashville Warbler	American Redstart	Indigo Bunting
Red-eyed Vireo	Northern Parula	Ovenbird	Baltimore Oriole

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