



DORVAL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY 2026						
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NATIONAL BIRD DAY January 5

National Bird Day is an annual holiday with half a million adherents who celebrate through birdwatching, studying birds, and other bird-related activities.

Avian Welfare Coalition
January 5 of every year

www.avianwelfare.org/nationalbirdday



AUGUST 2026						
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FALL LIGHTS OUT MIGRATION PROGRAM August 15 to November 15

During this fall migration period, everyone is encouraged to reduce unnecessary lighting during evening hours of 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. to provide a safer migration.

<https://birdcast.org/lights-out>



FEBRUARY 2026						
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GREAT BACKYARD BIRD COUNT February 13 to 16

The Backyard Bird Count is an annual four-day event that engages bird enthusiasts of all ages around the world in counting birds to create a real-time snapshot of where the birds are. Anyone can participate, from beginners to experts. You can count for as little as 15 minutes on a single day, or for as long as you like each day of the event.

Joint program of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and Audubon with Canadian partner Birds Canada

www.birdcount.org



SEPTEMBER 2026						
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CLEANING PURPLE MARTIN CONDOS Mid-September to early October

Each year, volunteers from the Association des amateurs d'Hirondelles du Québec clean out the Purple Martin lighthouse and prepare for the following year.

This activity is weather-dependent, and the exact date is chosen closer to September.

GLOBAL BIRD RESCUE September 21 to 27

Participants search for birds that have collided with buildings in their own community to raise awareness about this issue. They also try to raise awareness about window collisions, and make their own windows bird-safe

www.globalbirdrescue.org



MARCH 2026						
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SPRING LIGHTS OUT MIGRATION PROGRAM March 15 to June 1

During this spring migration period, everyone is encouraged to reduce unnecessary lighting during evening hours of 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. to provide a safer migration.

<https://birdcast.org/lights-out>



OCTOBER 2026						
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MIGRATORY BIRD DAY (FALL) October 10

The autumn edition of two annual World Migratory Bird Days, this is a worldwide campaign organized around the planet's major migratory bird corridors, the African-Eurasian flyway, the East Asian-Australasian flyway, and the Americas flyway. By promoting the same event name, annual conservation theme, and messaging, we combine our voices into a global chorus to boost the urgent need for migratory bird conservation.

Individuals are encouraged to record bird observations during this day using the eBird application.

www.migratorybirdday.org



APRIL 2026						
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CITY NATURE CHALLENGE April 24 to 27

Started originally as a competition between two cities (Los Angeles and San Francisco), this worldwide four-day biodiversity competition or "bioblitz" now occurs in over 450 cities around the world, including the Greater Montreal and Dorval, as well as 40 cities across Canada. Participating in the bioblitz is easy and open to all: participants are simply encouraged to take pictures of wild plants or animals anywhere in Dorval and/or the Greater Montreal (CMM) over the four days and to upload observations using the free, non-commercial application iNaturalist. No special expertise is required; it is not necessary to know the species when uploading observations. All observations help enrich Dorval's biodiversity profile.

dnumontreal.org

www.citynaturechallenge.org



MAY 2026						
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WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY (SPRING) May 9

Also known in the birding community as the "Global Big Day", this is a worldwide campaign organized around the planet's major migratory bird corridors, the African-Eurasian flyway, the East Asian-Australasian flyway, and the Americas flyway. By promoting the same event name, annual conservation theme, and messaging, we combine our voices into a global chorus to boost the urgent need for migratory bird conservation. This year's campaign highlights the importance of insects to bird life.

Individuals are encouraged to record bird observations during this day using the eBird application.

www.migratorybirdday.org

Global Big Day (Spring)



NOVEMBER 2026						
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PROJECT FEEDERWATCH November 1 to April 30

Project FeederWatch FeederWatch is a joint research and education project of Birds Canada and the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, and involves monitoring birds over the winter, either at backyard birdfeeder or other selected birding patch, twice a week during the winter, for as little as 5 minutes a day. Data submitted help track bird populations' behaviour and health during the winter months.

www.birdscanada.org/you-can-help/project-feederwatch



DECEMBER 2026						
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CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT December 14 to January 5

Started in 1900, the Christmas Bird Count (CBC) is North America's longest-running Citizen Science project. People in more than 2,000 locations throughout the Western Hemisphere participate in the CBC each year.

The information collected by thousands of CBC volunteer participants forms one of the world's largest sets of wildlife survey data. The results are used by conservation biologists, environmental planners, and naturalists to assess the population trends and distribution of birds.

The CBC is organized by Birds Canada, with the National Audubon Society.

www.birdscanada.org/bird-science/christmas-bird-count

