

Birding Expedition #1



Andree Clark Bird Refuge



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(Located off East Cabrillo Blvd. Parking lot on Los Patos Way)

This a good habitat for beginning birders. Ducks sit still for long periods of time and provide good practice in using binoculars.

Observations:

- Which ducks are skimming food off the surface of the water?
- Which ducks are diving?
- How long can the diving ducks stay underwater?
- Are there birds in the tule and cattails?
- What are the birds eating?
- Can you hear birds that you can't find?
- Look for bird footprints in the mud. What differences do you see in the tracks?

Mark the following birds in your field guide for quick reference.



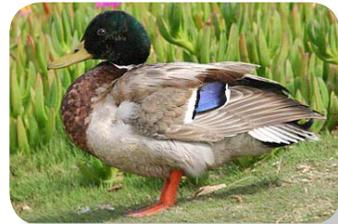
Christopher Taylor

Ruddy Duck



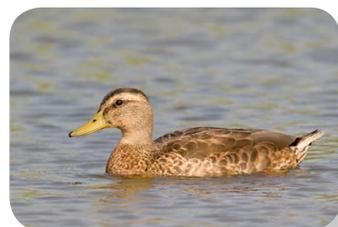
Wes Stone

American Coot



Christopher Taylor

Mallard (male)



Christopher Taylor

Mallard (female)



Hugh Ranson

Red-winged Blackbird





Wes Stone

Black-crowned Night Heron



Tom Gray

Western Gull



Christopher Taylor

California Gull

