



Birds and Natural History of NE Oregon

June 9-13, 2024

Tentative Trip Itinerary

Sunday, June 9 Meet at our departure location in Portland, Oregon. Group introductions and load vans. Our travel day will include birdwatching stops in Arlington, Hilgard Junction, and Emigrant Springs State Heritage Area where we will eat lunch. We'll continue on to Rhinehart Canyon where we'll stop to bird before we make our way to Enterprise, Oregon for our first night.

Lodging: Best Western - Eagles View Inn & Suites, Enterprise

Monday, June 10 After breakfast at the hotel, we'll head to Zumwalt Prairie to enjoy North America's largest remaining grassland of its type, replete with butterflies, wildflowers, and birds like Vesper Sparrow, Brewer's Sparrow, Lazuli Bunting, Eastern and Western Kingbird, raptors and more! We'll picnic at Wallowa Lake and then bird around Joseph.

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Tuesday, June 11 This day will be dedicated to exploring the incredible geology of Hell's Canyon. We'll be on the lookout for wildflowers, buntings, raptors, Red-eyed Vireo, Yellow-breasted Chat, among many, many others. We'll picnic at Hells Canyon

Campground for lunch, a good spot for butterflies, then we'll bird our way back to LaGrande.

Lodging: Best Western
Baker City

Wednesday, June 12 After breakfast, we'll head to Ladd Marsh to look for waterfowl, Bobolink, and shorebirds. We'll bird enroute to our lunch location and picnic at Catherine Creek, a beautiful riparian area where we'll look and listen for Veery, nuthatch, sapsuckers, and migrant songbirds. After lunch we'll make the trek to Virtue Flats to look for sagebrush species like Sage Thrasher, Burrowing Owl, shrike, and more before returning to Baker City for our last dinner together.

Lodging: Best Western
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Thursday, June 13 We'll have breakfast, pack up the vans and head back to Portland, stopping multiple times for birds along the way.

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