

ETOBICOKE/TORONTO WEST BIRDING SITES

The Toronto and Etobicoke area offer a range of birding opportunities due to their mix of urban, natural, and waterfront environments. Here's a list of some good birding sites in these areas, along with brief descriptions of each:

High Park: High Park is a large urban park with diverse habitats, including woodlands, wetlands, and meadows. Birders can spot a variety of songbirds, waterfowl, and raptors while exploring its trails.

Toronto Islands: The Toronto Islands provide habitat for waterbirds, gulls, and migratory songbirds. Birders can take a ferry to access the islands and explore various bird watching locations.

Tommy Thompson Park (Leslie Street Spit): This urban wilderness area features wetlands, meadows, and beaches. It's a hotspot for waterfowl, shorebirds, and migratory species, with stunning lake views.

Don Valley Brick Works Park: This urban park offers restored natural habitats, including wetlands and meadows. Birders can observe songbirds, waterfowl, and other species while enjoying the park's serene setting.

Evergreen Brick Works: This site includes restored wetlands, woodlands, and gardens. Birders can spot a variety of bird species in an urban oasis while exploring the trails.

Humber Bay Park: Humber Bay Park features waterfront areas, wetlands, and walking trails. It's a popular spot for observing waterfowl, gulls, shorebirds, and migratory species.

Colonel Samuel Smith Park: This park includes ponds, marshes, and green spaces. Birders can spot waterfowl, herons, and other wetland-associated species while exploring its trails.

Centennial Park: Centennial Park offers a mix of habitats, including open areas, wooded sections, and ponds. Birders can find a variety of species, including songbirds and waterfowl.

Humber College North Campus: The campus's green spaces and wooded areas can attract a variety of bird species, including songbirds. It's an urban setting with potential for birdwatching.

Etobicoke Creek Trail: This trail follows the Etobicoke Creek and provides opportunities to observe waterbirds, songbirds, and other species. The trail offers a peaceful natural setting.

Keep in mind that bird populations can change with the seasons, so it's recommended to check recent birding reports, consult local bird watching resources, and join birding groups or clubs for the latest information. Always practice responsible birdwatching by respecting wildlife and habitats, and adhere to any rules or regulations set by the managing authorities of the sites.



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