



## RESOURCES

### Recommended Websites and Courses

- RECOMMENDED [eBIRD ESSENTIALS](#) free course – this is a great free course that walks you through reasons to begin birding, how to use the Merlin app, and the eBird website and/or app.
- National Audubon Society has some great resources on its website, including [THIS ARTICLE](#) on how to start birding.
- Cornell's [ALL ABOUT BIRDS](#) website has this article with tips for beginning birders.
- The American Birding Association's [CODE OF BIRDING ETHICS](#) has long been the standard for responsible birding.
- The eBird [HELP CENTER](#) is a perfect location help you with the software, understanding your sightings, creating and sharing checklists, and much more.

### Binoculars

BINOCULARS are not necessary to enjoy birding, but they do make a world of difference. There are many excellent binoculars at many price points. Here are some articles to help you decide which binoculars might be right for you.

Audubon article [HOW TO CHOOSE YOUR BINOCULARS](#)

Audubon article [GUIDE TO BINOCULARS](#)

[BIRD WATCHER'S DIGEST](#) has many articles on binoculars.

### LOCAL WEBSITES / RESOURCES

- Brevard County – [Ritch Grissom Memorial Wetlands](#)
- Brevard County – [Cruickshank Sanctuary](#)
- St. Johns River Water Management District – [River Lakes Conservation Area](#)
- [Florida Wildlife Hospital](#) – if you see or have captured an injured animal, please contact the Florida Wildlife Hospital.
- [Space Coast Audubon Society](#)