

# Southeast Arizona Birding Festival, August 6 - 10 2025

*Note: "FREE" means that the activities are free with festival registration*

*Note: "PUBLIC" means that the activities are open to the public without festival registration*

Activity	Fee	Location	Start	End
<b>Wednesday, August 6 Registration Desk Open 4pm - 6pm</b>				
Nature Expo	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	4:00 PM	6:00 PM
Opening Party sponsored by Vortex Optics	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	4:30 PM	6:00 PM
<b>Thursday, August 7 Registration Desk Open 12pm - 5:30pm</b>				
Van Field Trip: Sycamore Canyon	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	3:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Big Day Adventure	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	3:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Carr/Ramsey/Ash Canyon	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	3:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Florida/Box Canyons	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	11:30 AM
Van Field Trip: Santa Cruz Flats	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Ramsey Canyon Bird Photography	\$100	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Mt. Lemmon	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	3:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Oracle SP/Peppersauce Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Arivaca Cienega	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Las Cienegas Grasslands and Patagonia	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: IBA Focus Patagonia Mountains and Sonoita Creek	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Montosa Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Mid-Mountain Meander in the Catalinas	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Madera Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: High Elevation in the Catalinas	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Tubac De Anza Trail	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Birding with a Purpose: Paton Center for Hummingbirds	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Willcox and Cochise Lake	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Bird Banding at the Paton Center for Hummingbirds	\$25	Paton Center	6:00 AM	11:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: El Rio Preserve Big Sit Accessible Birding	\$15	El Rio Preserve	6:00 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sweetwater Wetlands	\$15	Sweetwater Wetlands	6:00 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: De Anza Trail at Santa Gertrudis	\$35	Santa Gertrudis Lane	6:30 AM	9:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Isabella Lee	\$15	Isabella Lee Park	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Photography: Birding with a Camera	\$25	Sweetwater Wetlands	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Spark Bird Project at Reid Park	\$10	Rose Canyon Lake	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sabino Canyon	\$15	Sabino Canyon	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Honey Bee Canyon	\$15	Honey Bee Canyon	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Birding with Merlin at Fort Lowell Park	\$15	Fort Lowell Park	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: A Bird Photography Adventure at Reid Park	\$15	Reid Park	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Patagonia-Sonoita Nature Preserve	\$15	PSNP	7:00 AM	10:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Bird Sit at Santa Rita Lodge	\$15	Santa Rita Lodge	7:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Tucson Botanical Gardens	FREE	TBG	7:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Misson Garden	FREE	Mission Garden	8:00 AM	9:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Tohono Chul	FREE	Tohono Chul	8:30 AM	9:45 AM
Workshop: Bird Art Basics	\$25	The Drawing Studio	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Nature Expo	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	12:00 PM	5:30 PM
Presentation: Innovative Nestbox Research in the Desert Southwest	FREE	DoubleTree	12:00 PM	12:40 PM
Presentation: Photography--Action and Interaction	FREE	DoubleTree	12:30 PM	1:30 PM
Presentation: Costa Rica	FREE	DoubleTree	1:00 PM	1:40 PM
Van Field Trip: Beyond Birds-Hummingbird Murals of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe	\$35	DoubleTree	1:30 PM	5:00 PM
Presentation: Presence & Wonder in Nature	FREE	DoubleTree	2:00 PM	2:40 PM
Presentation: Getting the Most Out of Your Photography	FREE	DoubleTree	2:00 PM	3:00 PM
Presentation: A Photographic Journey around Ecuador and Galápagos Islands	FREE	DoubleTree	3:00 PM	3:40 PM
Presentation: The Geometry of Birding	FREE	DoubleTree	3:30 PM	4:30 PM
Presentation: Colombia--Where Every Trail Leads to a 'Lifer'	FREE	DoubleTree	4:00 PM	4:40 PM
Festival Celebration	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	4:30 PM	5:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Looking for Burrowing Owls	\$50	DoubleTree	4:30 PM	8:30 PM
Presentation: Birdie Big Year--Elevating Women Birders	FREE	DoubleTree	5:00 PM	6:00 PM

Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sunset Birding at Reid Park	\$20	Reid Park	5:45 PM	7:15 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sunset Birding at Sweetwater	\$15	Sweetwater Wetlands	5:45 PM	7:15 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sunset Birding at Lakeside Park	\$15	Lakeside Park	5:45 PM	7:15 PM
Van Field Trip: Photography: Bats at Elephant Head	\$125	DoubleTree	6:00 PM	10:00 PM
Social: Birds and Bingo at Bawker Bawker Cider House	FREE	Bawker Bawker	6:00 PM	8:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sabino Canyon Evening Hike	\$25	Sabino Canyon	6:00 PM	9:30 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Going Batty	\$10	Pantano Wash	6:30 PM	8:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Moths - a Nocturnal Exploration	\$10	Sabino Canyon	7:30 PM	10:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Scorpions	\$25	TBD	7:30 PM	9:30 PM
<b>Friday, August 8 Registration Desk Open 12pm - 5:30pm</b>				
Van Field Trip: Ramsey/Ash Canyon	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	3:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Montosa Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Happy Valley	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: San Pedro House	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Walker Canyon & Pena Blanca Lake	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Birds, Wine, & Brew Tour--Sonoita Grasslands	\$135	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	3:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Parker Canyon Lake	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	3:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Agua Caliente Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Florida/Box Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Las Cienegas Grasslands	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Patagonia Lake SP	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Mt. Lemmon	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	3:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Buenos Aires NWR	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Harshaw Creek and Patagonia Hotspots	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: De Anza Trail at Santa Gertrudis	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Madera Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: High Elevation in the Catalinas	\$125	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Birding with a Camera at the Paton Center	\$75	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: St. David/Benson	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:30 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Birding in the Buff	\$15	Fort Lowell Park	6:00 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: IBA Focus Saguaro NP East	\$35	Saguaro NP East	6:00 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Mid-Elevation in the Catalinas	\$35	Molino Basin	6:30 AM	11:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: El Rio Preserve	\$15	El Rio Preserve	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sabino Canyon	\$15	Sabino Canyon	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Gentle Gaze Photo Workshop	\$15	Sweetwater Wetlands	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Tanque Verde Wash/Wentworth	\$15	Tanque Verde Wash	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Digiscoping at Reid Park	\$10	Reid Park	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Catalina State Park	\$15	Catalina SP	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Rose Canyon Lake	\$35	Rose Canyon Lake	6:30 AM	9:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Beginning Birding at Lakeside Park	\$15	Lakeside Park	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Patagonia-Sonoita Nature Preserve	\$15	PSNP	7:00 AM	10:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Dragonflies at Sweetwater Wetlands	\$15	Sweetwater Wetlands	7:30 AM	10:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum	\$20	ASDM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Behind the Scenes at the Reid Park Zoo	\$10	Reid Park Zoo	8:00 AM	9:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Tohono Chul	FREE	Tohono Chul	8:30 AM	9:45 AM
Workshop: Bird Art Basics	\$25	The Drawing Studio	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Presentation: A – Z Birding Anatomy	FREE	DoubleTree	11:30 AM	12:30 PM
Nature Expo	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	12:00 PM	5:30 PM
Presentation: Communal Foraging and Roosting of Crested Caracaras in Arizona	FREE	DoubleTree	12:00 PM	12:40 PM
Presentation: Wondrous World of Warblers	\$10	DoubleTree	1:00 PM	2:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Museum Birding	\$25	University of Arizona	1:00 PM	3:00 PM
Presentation: Backyard Bird Photography	FREE	DoubleTree	1:00 PM	1:40 PM
Presentation: Give it Your Best Shot--Rethinking Your Photography Approach	FREE	DoubleTree	2:00 PM	2:40 PM
Presentation: Arizona's Native Parrot	FREE	DoubleTree	2:30 PM	3:30 PM
Presentation: Birding with a Smartphone and Wi-Fi enabled Camera	FREE	DoubleTree	3:00 PM	3:40 PM
Presentation: Desert Purple Martins – Star Birds of the Arizona Monsoon	FREE	DoubleTree	4:00 PM	4:40 PM
Presentation: The Spark Bird Project	FREE	DoubleTree	4:00 PM	5:00 PM
Festival Celebration sponsored by Sabrewing Nature Tours	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	4:30 PM	5:30 PM

David Lindo Book Signing	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	4:30 PM	5:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Looking for Burrowing Owls	\$50	DoubleTree	4:30 PM	8:30 PM
Presentation: Birding and Belonging	FREE	DoubleTree	5:00 PM	5:40 PM
Van Field Trip: Night Birding in Southeast Arizona	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 PM	10:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sunset Birding at Sweetwater Wetlands	\$15	Sweetwater Wetlands	5:45 PM	7:15 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Beginning Bird Photography	\$15	Reid Park	5:45 PM	7:15 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sabino Canyon Evening Hike	\$25	Sabino Canyon	6:00 PM	9:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Going Batty	\$10	River/Campbell	6:30 PM	8:00 PM
Comedy Show: Adam Cayton-Holland at 191 Toole	\$20	191 Toole	7:00 PM	9:30 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Moths - a Nocturnal Exploration	\$10	Sabino Canyon	7:30 PM	10:00 PM
<b>Saturday, August 9 Registration Desk Open 10am - 5:30pm</b>				
Van Field Trip: Sycamore Canyon	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	3:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Montosa Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Ramsey Canyon	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Pena Blanca Lake & Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Parker Canyon Lake	\$125	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	3:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Arivaca Cienega	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Box Canyon--Greaterville Loop	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Hummingbird Safari	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Birding with a Purpose--Cactus, Cottonwoods & Birds	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Patagonia Lake and Area	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Warblers in the Santa Catalinas	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	2:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Saguaro to Summit	\$125	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	3:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Las Cienegas	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: The Search for Bendire's Thrasher	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Madera Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Cochise Lake	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Patagonia-Sonoita Nature Preserve	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: High Elevation in the Catalinas	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: De Anza Trail at Tubac	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Isabella Lee	\$15	Isabella Lee	6:00 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Bird & Bike	\$15	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Mindful Birding	\$15	La Posta Quemeda	6:00 AM	10:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: The Secret Lives of Purple Martins	\$25	TBA	6:00 AM	10:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Morning Photography at El Rio Preserve	\$25	El Rio Preserve	6:00 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Beginning Birding at Sweetwater Wetlands	\$25	Sweetwater Wetlands	6:00 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Advanced Birding--Flycatchers	\$25	Sweetwater Wetlands	6:00 AM	9:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Fort Lowell Park	\$10	Fort Lowell Park	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Danny Lopez Park	\$15	Danny Lopez Park	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: El Rio Preserve	\$15	El Rio Preserve	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Catalina State Park	\$15	Catalina State Park	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: The Spark Bird Project	\$15	Lakeside Park	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: De Anza Trail at Santa Gertrudis	\$35	Tumacacori	6:30 AM	9:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Desert Meadows	\$10	Desert Meadows	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Birding with a Smart Phone	\$10	Reid Park	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Pokemon and Birding--Gotta Bird 'em All	FREE	Reid Park	7:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Accessible Birding: Santa Rita Lodge	\$15	Santa Rita Lodge	7:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Tohono Chul	FREE	Tohono Chul	8:30 AM	9:45 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sleep-In Special - Paton Center for Hummingbirds	\$35	Paton Center	9:00 AM	12:00 PM
Nature Expo	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	10:00 AM	5:30 PM
Reid Park Zoo with Live Animals	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	10:00 AM	1:00 PM
Arizona Game & Fish with Raptors	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	10:00 AM	5:00 PM
Presentation: Hummingbird Photography Class	\$10	DoubleTree	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
Presentation: Starlings: The Curious Odyssey of a Most Hated Bird	FREE	DoubleTree	10:30 AM	11:10 AM
Presentation: Introduction to Bird Photography	FREE	DoubleTree	11:30 AM	12:30 PM
Presentation: The Benefits of Drinking ABA's Song Bird Coffee	FREE	DoubleTree	11:30 AM	12:10 PM
Presentation: Hawaii's Bird on the Brink: A Conservation Update	FREE	DoubleTree	12:30 PM	1:10 PM
Presentation: Photographing Birds in Flight, Big and Small	FREE	DoubleTree	1:00 PM	2:00 PM

Workshop: Desert Birds in Charcoal Workshop	\$35	The Drawing Studio	1:00 PM	4:00 PM
Presentation: India's Wild Guardians--Birding, Wildlife, and Conservation	FREE	DoubleTree	1:30 PM	2:10 PM
Presentation: The Paton Center for Hummingbirds: Past Present and Future	FREE	DoubleTree	2:30 PM	3:30 PM
Presentation: Want Birds? Ecuador! Smaller than Arizona but over 1700 Species	FREE	DoubleTree	2:30 PM	3:10 PM
Festival Celebration	PUBLIC	DoubleTree	3:30 PM	5:30 PM
Festival Banquet and Culmination Celebration with David Lindo	\$75	DoubleTree	6:00 PM	8:00 PM
<b>Sunday, August 10</b>				
Van Field Trip: General Hitchcock to Bear Wallow	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Las Cienegas Grasslands	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Patagonia Area	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: IBA Focus--Atascosa Highlands	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Montosa Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Altar Valley	\$70	DoubleTree	5:00 AM	12:30 PM
Van Field Trip: Arivaca Cienega	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Cienega Creek/Davidson Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	11:30 AM
Van Field Trip: Cochise Lake	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Hiking Madera Canyon	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Saguaro NP	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	11:30 AM
Van Field Trip: Box and Florida Canyons	\$70	DoubleTree	5:30 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: Photography--Hummingbirds at the Paton Center	\$125	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	2:00 PM
Van Field Trip: High Elevation in the Catalinas	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Van Field Trip: De Anza Trail at Tubac	\$70	DoubleTree	6:00 AM	12:00 PM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Sweetwater Wetlands	\$15	Sweetwater Wetlands	6:00 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Fall Migration Watch	\$15	East Tucson	6:00 AM	10:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Accessible Birding at Agua Caliente Park	\$15	Agua Caliente Park	6:00 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Lakeside Park	\$15	Lakeside Park	6:30 AM	8:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Catalina Regional Park	\$15	Catalina SP	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: El Rio Preserve	\$15	El Rio Preserve	6:30 AM	9:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Empire Ranch	\$35	Empire Ranch	6:30 AM	9:30 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Patagonia-Sonoita Nature Preserve	\$15	PSNP	7:00 AM	10:00 AM
Drive Yourself Field Trip: Pokemon and Birding--Gotta Bird 'em All	FREE	Reid Park	7:30 AM	9:00 AM
Workshop: Desert Birds in Pastel Workshop	\$35	The Drawing Studio	1:00 PM	4:00 PM