

Bald Eagle Watch 2012 presented by

Illinois Audubon Society
and
Illinois Waterway
Visitor Center



15th Annual Weekend
January 28 & 29, 2012

held at
Starved Rock Lodge &
Illinois Waterway Visitor Center

FREE ADMISSION

A Celebration of Nature

Bald Eagle Watch Weekend is
Sponsored by:
Illinois Audubon Society
US Army Corps of Engineers
Starved Rock Foundation
Starved Rock Audubon
Starved Rock Lodge

BALD EAGLE FACTS

Our American bald eagle stands up to 3 feet tall with a wingspan of 7-8 feet. Although male and female eagles share the same plumage, females, as in most birds of prey, are somewhat larger than males.

The adult birds are characterized by their white head and tail and yellow beak and eyes. Immature birds exhibit a brownish plumage with varying degrees of white "blotching". They will not attain the white head and tail until they reach maturity at 4-5 years of age.

Bald eagles are found *only in North America*. Most of the birds seen wintering along the Illinois River come from up north – Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Canada.

They will start the journey back to their breeding grounds by mid-March and return once again to the Illinois River Valley by late October to early November.

PLEASE NOTE: Bald eagles are protected by law and should not be disturbed. Please keep your distance and do not cause an eagle to fly from its perch.

For information on eagle numbers at
Starved Rock Lock & Dam call the
Illinois Waterway Visitor Center
815.667.4054

For event information call Illinois
Audubon Society
217.544.BIRD

An Invitation to Join Illinois Audubon

Membership Levels

STUDENT	\$12
INDIVIDUAL	\$25
FAMILY	\$30
CONTRIBUTING	\$50
SUPPORTING	\$75
SUSTAINING	\$100
EAGLE CLUB	\$500
CARDINAL CLUB	\$1000

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Activities at Starved Rock Lodge

(Starved Rock State Park)

Raptor Awareness Program
with a Live Bald Eagle presented by

WORLD BIRD SANCTUARY
St. Louis, MO

10:00 • NOON • 2:00 • 4:00

(Shows in Starved Rock Room)

NO ADMISSION FEE

HOWEVER TICKETS ARE REQUIRED

Visit the Illinois Audubon's booth to pick up your free tickets before each show

Free Nature Programs
(LaSalle Room – located near Front Desk)

11:00 am - TBA

1:00 pm - TBA

2012 EXHIBITORS AT STARVED ROCK LODGE

Barb Williams, Taxidermist

Friends of the Fox River

Friends of Hackmatack

Illinois Audubon Society

Illinois Department of Natural Resources

Illinois River National Wildlife & Fish Refuges

LaSalle County Master Gardeners/Naturalists

Midwin National Tallgrass Prairie

Openlands

Prairie Rivers Network

The Wetlands Initiative

Trees Forever

Wildlife Prairie State park

World Bird Sanctuary



Don't miss a chance to have your picture taken with "Sam" the Bald Eagle mascot during your visit to the Starved Rock Lodge during Bald Eagle Weekend

Take the Trolley

All-Day Armband - \$1.00

Park and ride the Trolley between Starved Rock Lodge, Starved Rock Visitor Center and the Illinois Waterway Visitor Center

Activities at Starved Rock State Park Visitor Center

Children's Activities with Prizes

Saturday & Sunday

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Activities at Illinois Waterway Visitor Center

(Starved Rock Lock & Dam)

Natural History Demonstration of
Illinois Birds of Prey (Live)
presented by

ILLINOIS RAPTOR CENTER
Decatur, IL

NOON • 2:00 • 4:00

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Native American Dancer

appearing at:
11:00 am, 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm

Face Painting

10:00 am to 4:30 pm

Suet Feeder Make-n-Take

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Take a treat home for your feathered friends. Learn how to make a simple feeder that will attract birds to your backyard

Food available

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Stop by and fuel up while you visit

HIGH POWER SCOPES AVAILABLE

Eagle viewing opportunities with local Audubon members on hand to answer questions.

Children's Activities in the Great Hall
9:00 am to 4:00 pm