



Plan a Visit

Eagle Etiquette

Human presence can stress the eagles and force them to use precious energy that they need to survive. It's best not to disturb the eagles, especially in heavily-visited areas.

FOR THE SAFEST AND LEAST INTRUSIVE VIEWING EXPERIENCE, WE RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING EAGLE ETIQUETTE:

- Remain in or near your vehicle at roadside viewing locations.
- Move quickly and quietly to observation blinds, where you can remain hidden from view while watching the eagles. (*Blinds are located at Mongaup Reservoir and at Minisink Ford locations*).
- Avoid loud noises, such as yelling, car door slamming, horn honking and unnecessary movement.
- Use binoculars and a spotting scope instead of trying to get "a little bit closer."
- Don't do anything to try to make the eagle fly.
- Consider joining an Eagle Institute guided field trip, at least for your first-time viewing experience, to learn the best way to view eagles.

Your safety and that of others is of utmost importance when looking for bald eagles.

SINCE EAGLE WATCHING IS DONE IN WINTER, WE SUGGEST THAT YOU:

- Pull completely off the road. Remember that roadsides may not be completely cleared of snow and ice after a storm. Plan your trip accordingly.
- Park in designated areas.
- Be prepared for snow, ice and mud.
- Bring a hot drink and snacks.
- Avoid hypothermia; dress for extreme cold. Temperatures and wind chills are lower near the water.



Remember the key to successful eagle viewing is Patience! Please respect private property and restricted areas!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Report Your Sightings.
- Follow proper eagle etiquette. Be sure to report any behavior that could harass, annoy or be otherwise detrimental to the eagles.
- Report dead or injured eagles.
- Volunteer to be an eagle monitor!
- Support conservation organizations such as **The Eagle Institute**.

Visit the

EAGLE FORUM to report sightings, ask questions and find out where people are seeing the eagles.



You can also

visit www.learner.org for weekly updates on the migration progress of bald eagles being tracked by New York State's Department of Environmental Conservation

Click on

KITCHEN COUNTER button to report eagles that you see on a regular basis, usually right from your kitchen counter!



The data you provide is shared with the agencies responsible for the eagles and their habitat. We

appreciate your stewardship and personal responsibility for helping. *The Kitchen Counter is funded in part with a Community Investment grant from Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc.*

Eagle Viewing Items:

- Binoculars
- Camera
- Map
- Directions to Viewing Areas
- Warm Clothes
- Snacks
- Hot Drinks
- Prepare car for Snow, Ice or Mud





Eagle viewers along the Delaware River.

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