



## ON-TRAIL BIRDING HOTSPOTS

- 1. Trinity Creek Wildlife Habitat** (wetland habitat)–*City of Mequon*  
Species: shorebirds, waterfowl, marsh birds, cranes, swallows  
Directions: (MM 0-0.5) County Line Rd. west to Riebs Ln, north to dead end (.5 mi.)  
Amenities: small parking lot and short hiking loop with educational signage
- 2. Pigeon Creek Bridge** (riverine habitat)–*Village of Thiensville and City of Mequon*  
Species: Eastern Phoebe, Blue-winged and Golden-winged Warbler  
Directions: (MM 3.5-4) Trail bridge in Thiensville, between Freistadt and Highland Rds.  
Amenities: just west of downtown Thiensville, coffee shops, bike shop, and restaurants.
- 3. Highland Woods** (woodland habitat)–*City of Mequon*  
Species: migrant warblers and vireos, kinglets, woodpeckers and nuthatches  
Directions: (MM 4-4.5) Exit Trail east on Highland Rd., to Green Bay Rd. south (.5 mi.)  
Amenities: parking lot, hiking loops of varying lengths, and benches
- 4. Milwaukee River Trail Bridge** (riverine habitat)–*Village of Grafton and Town of Grafton*  
Species: Wood Duck and other waterfowl, Belted Kingfisher, herons, swallows  
Directions: (MM 11.5-12) Just past Green Bay Rd. in Grafton  
Amenities: Trail kiosk, benches, playground, and nearby parking
- 5. Bratt Woods** (woodland habitat)–*Town of Grafton*  
Species: Scarlet Tanager, Indigo Bunting, migrant warblers, woodpeckers  
Directions: (MM 11.5-12) Just past Milw. River bridge, look for OWLT sign on west side  
Amenities: hiking Trail through property
- 6. I-43 Trail Bridge Woodlands** (woodland habitat)–*Town of Grafton*  
Species: Baltimore Oriole, Brown Thrasher, Wood Thrush, other migrant songbirds  
Directions: (MM 13-14) Terminal Rd. north to I-43 bridge, I-43 bridge east to Ridgewood  
Amenities: benches
- 7. Ridgewood Wetland** (wetland habitat)–*Town of Grafton*  
Species: waterfowl, Green Heron, Cedar Waxwing, Red-winged Blackbird  
Directions: (MM 14-14.5) Just past Ridgewood Rd. along east side of Trail  
Amenities: benches
- 8. Port Washington Harbor** (Lake Michigan habitat)–*City of Port Washington*  
Species: 16 species of gulls, waterfowl, shorebirds, Peregrine Falcon  
Directions: (MM 17-18) Follow Trail or Hwy. 32/33 (W. Grand Ave.) straight east to Lake  
Amenities: located in business district, many restaurants, restrooms, parking, bike shop/rental, lodging, historic buildings, and beach
- 9. Port Washington Ravine** (woodland habitat)–*City of Port Washington*  
Species: migrant flycatchers, vireos, warblers, Carolina Wren  
Directions: (MM 17.5-18.5) Along Trail north of Jackson St.  
Amenities: Trail kiosk and benches
- 10. Upper Lake Park** (Lake Michigan habitat)–*City of Port Washington*  
Species: migrant loons, scoters and other waterfowl, gulls, swallows  
Directions: (MM 17.5-18) Take Lake St. north from the harbor at Jackson St.  
Amenities: picnic tables, bathrooms, playground, pavilion, and overlook
- 11. Cedar Grove WPA** (wetland habitat)–*Town of Belgium*  
Species: Sandhill Crane, Bobolink, Indigo Bunting, Green Heron, flycatchers  
Directions: (MM 29-29.5) Northern end of the Trail at Hwy. K, on east side

Note: MM = Trail Mile Marker



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- A. Mequon Nature Preserve** (open/grassland habitat)  
–*City of Mequon*  
Species: E. Bluebird, Indigo Bunting, N. Flicker, Horned Lark, shorebirds, ducks  
Directions: exit Trail on Donges Bay west to Swan Rd. south. Parking lot on left, just north of County Line Rd. (2 mi.)  
Amenities: parking lot, hiking trails, observation tower, education center.
- B. Mee-Kwon County Park and Golf Course** (woodland habitat)–*City of Mequon*  
Species: migrant warblers and vireos, Baltimore Oriole, dabbling ducks, kinglets, nuthatches, woodpeckers, wild turkey  
Directions: exit Trail east on Highland Rd. to Green Bay Rd. north. Park entrance to west (.8 mi. to parking lot)  
Amenities: parking lot by pond, picnic tables, portable toilets and public restaurant at clubhouse
- C. Grafton Veteran's Memorial Park** (riverine habitat)–*Village of Grafton*  
Species: ducks, geese, Belted Kingfisher, herons, egrets, swallows, N. Flicker  
Directions: from Hwy. 60 crossing at 11th Ave. go 2 blocks east, park to north  
Amenities: parking, picnic shelter, restrooms, playground, basketball hoop, near downtown retail, and bike shop/rental
- D. Blue Wing WPA** (wetland habitat)–*Town of Grafton*  
Species: Amer. Bittern, Green Heron, Yellow-headed Blackbird, Amer. Kestrel  
Directions: from 11th Ave. in Grafton take Hwy. 60/Q east, Hwy. C north, property on west. (3 mi.)
- E. Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve** (Lake Michigan habitat)–*Town of Grafton*  
Species: migrant warblers, hawk migration, Clay-colored Sparrow, flycatchers  
Directions: from Blue Wing WPA take Hwy. C north, Highbluff Dr. east to preserve (additional .9 mi.)  
Amenities: parking lot, bike rack, portable toilets, series of trail loops, handicapped access boardwalks and main trail, picnic tables, overlook, staircase and bridge to Lake Michigan.
- F. Ulaow WPA** (wetland habitat)–*Town of Grafton*  
Species: Common Moorhen, Sora, Orchard Oriole, Bobolink, flycatchers  
Directions: Property adjacent to Lion's Den Gorge, off 1st. small grassed parking lot
- G. Stonecroft Pond** (wetland habitat)–*Town of Grafton*  
Species: 110 species including waterfowl, herons, and shorebirds  
Directions: from Lion's Den Gorge take Hwy. C north, Stonecroft Dr. west (1 additional mi.)
- H. Harrington Beach State Park** (Lake Michigan habitat)–*Town of Belgium*  
Species: diving ducks, migrant hawks, White-eyed Vireo, Yellow-breasted Chat  
Directions: Hwy. A east, Lake Church Rd. north, Hwy. D east, entrance south (4.5 mi.)  
Amenities: ranger station, parking, pit and flush toilets, picnic areas, grills, hiking trails, summer concessions, weekend shuttle, camping and pavilion
- I. Armin O. Schwengel WPA** (open/grassland habitat)–*Town of Belgium*  
Species: Bobolink, Dickcissel, Eastern Meadowlark, Short-eared and Snowy Owl  
Directions: Silver Beach Rd. west, Six Mile Rd. north, property to west. Return to Trail on Jay Rd. east. (4.3 mi. loop)

