

QUICK TIPS



Sharing Shores

Summer is here, which means it's time to head to the water for some outdoor fun. Many birds—sandpipers, plovers, and terns—are already there nesting and raising their chicks.

Tips on Sharing Shores With our Feathered Water Rovers

Running loose.

Playful pooches want everyone involved in the fun, but their well-intentioned playfulness can wreak havoc on shore-nesting birds in a matter of seconds. Keep pets leashed when near nesting or feeding birds.

Who's fishing where?

Shorebirds, of course, love to fish too. But sometimes when trying to get their catch of the day, they can become entangled in discarded fishing line. You can help by disposing of fishing line properly.

Checking out seabird chicks.

It can be tempting to wander through protected beach areas to peek at the adorable chicks. However a single disturbance can cause birds to leave their nests and abandon their chicks. So, bring your binoculars and keep your distance.

A floating mountain of trash is no fun for shorebirds.

Be sure to take all your garbage when leaving. Also help by collecting other discarded items, which may trap or injure curious shore birds.

To dive more into the world of shorebirds, visit audubon.org/dive-in

