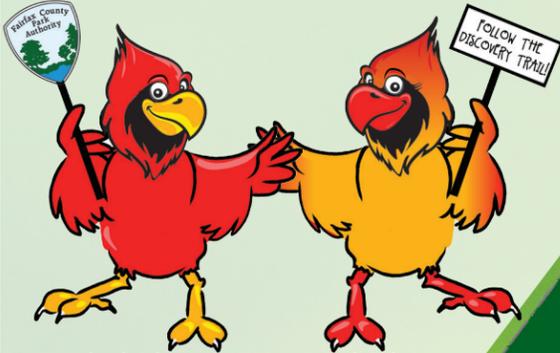


#VirgilandGinny



Be on the lookout for our state birds, Virgil and Ginny Cardinal! If you see them along the Discovery Trail, snap a selfie with them and post it on Instagram - #VirgilandGinny. You could win one of several weekly photo prizes!

Did you know?
The northern cardinal was adopted as the official state bird of Virginia on Jan. 25, 1950?

Sully Historic Site
3650 Historic Sully Way
Chantilly

E.C. Lawrence Park
5040 Walney Rd.
Chantilly

Burke Lake Park
7315 Ox Rd.
Fairfax Station

Lake Fairfax Park
1400 Lake Fairfax Dr.
Reston

Frying Pan Farm Park
2709 West Ox Rd.
Herndon

Hidden Oaks Nature Center
7701 Royce St.
Annandale

Hidden Pond Nature Center
8511 Greeley Blvd.
Springfield

Riverbend Park
8700 Potomac Hills St.
Great Falls

Colvin Run Mill
10017 Colvin Run Rd.
Great Falls

Green Spring Gardens
4603 Green Spring Rd.
Alexandria

Lake Accotink Park
7500 Accotink Park Rd.
Springfield

Huntley Meadows Park
3701 Lockheed Blvd.
Alexandria

For weekly location clues, visit us on social media.

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Visit eight of the 12 parks during business hours.
- Pick up a sticker for each park at the sticker location listed in the table below, and place it in the corresponding box (participant must be present to receive a sticker).
- Once you receive eight stickers, present your map in person at Burke Lake Park, Green Spring Gardens or Frying Pan Farm Park to receive a prize packet and be entered in a drawing for a new bicycle!
- One bicycle winner will be selected in each of the following categories: Pre-K-Grade 2; Grades 3-7; Grades 8-12; Adults age 18 yrs.+
- Bicycle winners will be announced in September in a Park Authority news release and in the winter (November) issue of Parktakes magazine.

STICKERS

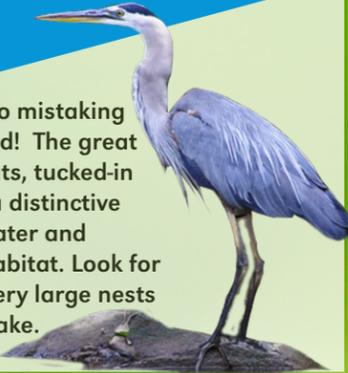
Weekend and holiday hours may vary. Go to fairfaxcounty.gov/parks to verify site hours.

Burke Lake Park	Colvin Run Mill	E.C. Lawrence Park
Hours: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. daily Prize Pack Location: Park Office Sticker location: Mini Golf & Train Station	Hours: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. daily; closed Tuesdays Sticker location: General Store	Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays; closed Tuesdays; Noon-5 p.m. weekends Sticker location: Visitor Center
Frying Pan Farm Park	Green Spring Gardens	Hidden Oaks Nature Ctr
Hours: 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Sunday Prize Pack Location: Visitor Center Sticker location: Country Store	Hours: 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday; Noon-4:30 p.m. Sunday Prize Pack Location: Horticulture Center Sticker location: Horticulture Center	Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays; closed Tuesdays; Noon-5 p.m. weekends Sticker location: Nature Center
Hidden Pond Nature Ctr	Huntley Meadows Park	Lake Accotink Park
Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily; closed Tuesdays; Noon-5 p.m. weekends Sticker location: Nature Center	Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily; closed Tuesdays; weekend hours vary Sticker location: Visitor Center	Hours: Park Office Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Ticket Building Saturday/Sunday Noon-7 p.m. Sticker location: Park Office & Ticket Building
Lake Fairfax Park	Riverbend Park	Sully Historic Site
Hours: 8 a.m.-7 p.m. daily Sticker location: Park Office	Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays; closed Tuesdays; Noon-5 p.m. weekends Sticker location: Visitor Center	Hours: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. daily; closed Tuesdays Sticker location: Visitor Center

Name			Age	
Phone				
Prize Pack Award	Date:		By:	

Lake Accotink Park

There's no mistaking this majestic bird! The great blue heron's slow wingbeats, tucked-in neck and trailing legs create a distinctive image, and Lake Accotink's water and woodland provide a perfect habitat. Look for them in flight and spot their very large nests high in the treetops near the lake.



Visit eight or more listed sites and receive an amusement prize drawing to win a new bicycle

Discovery Trail Map 2018

Burke Lake Park

Photographers worldwide flock to Burke Lake Park each year to snap photos of two bald eagles that nest on Vesper Island. You can often see these birds of prey circling the lake waters. The bald eagle has been the national emblem since 1782 and was selected for its long life, great strength and majestic looks.



The ruby-throated hummingbird is Fairfax County's smallest bird at just three inches long. Its skinny beak is perfect for sipping nectar from narrow, tubular flowers near the Green Spring Gardens white gazebo. Listen carefully, and you may even hear its wings humming as they beat up to 53 times per second!



Green Spring Gardens



Belted kingfishers are easy to spot with their beautiful blue crest, piercing rattle and energetic flight. You can spot them patrolling the shoreline at Lake Fairfax as they hunt from a perch or hover like a helicopter before diving head first into the water to capture fish with their powerful bill.

Lake Fairfax Park

Mallards are the most recognizable wild ducks in North America, and they love the pond at Colvin Run Mill. Mallards are dabbling or surface-feeding ducks because they eat by tipping underwater for food with their head down and feet and tail in the air. Mallards also forage and graze for food on land. The brown-headed female is less showy than the green-headed male.



Colvin Run Mill

Hidden Oaks Nature Center



Often thought of as the ambassador of pollinators, monarch butterflies require milkweed as the host plant for their caterpillars. Pick up a native swamp milkweed seed packet and learn how to entice monarchs and other butterflies to your yard this summer with native host and nectar plants.

Riverbend Park



Every day is a holiday for northern river otters. These playful animals can very often be seen playing games and socializing. You may also see them diving for food, such as fish and other creatures that live in the water. This park's combination of forest, streams and river makes it a perfect habitat for the northern river otter.

Promotion runs May 26 - Sept. 3, 2018

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Ellanor C. Lawrence Park

Did you know the American bullfrog on display at this park's visitor center can lay up to 12,000 eggs each summer? Imagine what it would be like if all of them became babies! This frog species is the largest native frog in North America, and its natural habitats are ponds, lakes and streams.



At this park, you'll meet Fluffy, an 11-year-old eastern snapping turtle who entertains guests by swimming around his tank unless he's busy sleeping under his rock. You can also see many of Fluffy's relatives living in our pond, but don't touch! The eastern snapping turtle is the top predator of the pond and will eat anything it can fit in its mouth, including your fingers!



Hidden Pond Nature Center

Can you imagine having a pet squirrel? The Lee children had a pet white squirrel when they lived at Sully in the early 1800s. You can just imagine the excitement when the squirrel got loose in the house one day, and Mr. Lee tried to keep it from escaping outside! Look for a stuffed, white squirrel in the Sully parlor.



Sully Historic Site

Have you ever wondered what it's like to milk a cow? Stop by Frying Pan Farm Park any day at 4 p.m. to try your hand at milking a Jersey cow and to learn about the park's rich dairy history. The average Jersey cow produces 25,000 gallons of high-butterfat milk in her lifetime - perfect for making cheese and premium ice cream.



Frying Pan Farm Park

Huntley Meadows Park



At Huntley Meadows Park, you can easily see why this hard-working critter was nicknamed the busy beaver. This park's central wetland habitat was first created by beavers that built a dam on the creek around 1980. Today, the wetland environment is still home to beavers and other animals.



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