



Gull Bay Spits

Manitoba is home to some of the most outstanding sites in the world for concentrations of birds. The importance of these sites to the maintenance of the world's bird populations is recognized internationally through their designation as Important Bird Areas (IBAs).

We need your help finding some key species of birds. If you see any of the birds on this card please contact us at: iba@naturemanitoba.ca

During years of high-water levels, the north spit can be partially covered in water and thereby creating an island. The centre of the north spit is vegetated with grasses, shrubs, and willow stands, while the shoreline consists of mixed sand and gravel. The size of the south spit is dependant on water levels, ranging from 10 to 60 meters wide. Vegetation on this spit includes grasses, willows, and cattails.



Have you seen these birds?



Snow Goose

Groups larger than 1,000



Canada Goose

Groups larger than 1,000



American White Pelican

Groups larger than 750



Double-crested Cormorant

Groups larger than 750



Piping Plover

Any individuals



Red Knot

Groups larger than 50



Ring-billed Gull

Groups larger than 750



Common Tern

Groups larger than 500

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