



Audubon at Home in Northern Virginia

Application for Wildlife Sanctuary Certification

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Contact / Location

Name					
Street		City		State	
Email		Phone 1		Phone 2	

Type of Property

Home Approximate property size (e.g., 1/3 acre):

School Approximate size of habitat to be certified

Church (in square feet or yards)

HOA Common

Business

Park

Other (Describe) _____

Habitat to be certified is
 (check all that apply): New Existing

Habitat Features

	Current	Planned		Current	Planned
*Water Feature	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bee Boxes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Rain Garden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brush Shelter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Pollinator Garden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Native Shrubs / Trees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Meadow	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Snags (standing dead trees)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bird Feeders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nest Boxes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (Describe) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Habitat Practices

	Current	Planned
*Remove Exotic Invasive Plants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Plant Native Plant Species	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Reduce Pesticide Usage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Reduce Fertilizer Usage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Reduce Lawn Coverage Area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Manage Water Runoff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water Conservation (eg, rain barrels)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Compost Yard Waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (Describe) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*** At least 4 of the bolded features and practices are required for AAH Wildlife Sanctuary Certification.**

Sanctuary Species Observed – At least 10 species from the list are required for certification

The [Sanctuary Species List](#) includes **Amphibians** (Frogs and Salamanders), **Birds** (American Goldfinch, Baltimore Oriole, Carolina Chickadee, Carolina Wren, Cooper’s Hawk, Eastern Bluebird, Eastern Towhee, Green Heron, Gray Catbird, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Ruby-Throated Hummingbird, Tufted Titmouse, Tree Swallow, Warblers, Woodpeckers), **Insects and Spiders** (Fritillaries, Monarchs, and Swallowtails, Dragonflies, Damselflies, Giant Silk Moths, Hover Fly, Hummingbird Clearwing Moth, Lady Beetles, Orb Weaver Spider, Native Bees, Six-spotted Tiger Beetle), **Mammals** (Little Brown Bat, Southern Flying Squirrel), and **Reptiles** (Eastern Box Turtle, Five-lined Skink, Snakes).

- Visit the ASNV website audubonva.org/species-fact-sheets for fact sheets about the Sanctuary Species.
- List no more than one species, or one member of a group of species, from each fact sheet–e.g., only one native bee species, only one swallowtail butterfly, etc.
- Flyovers do not count, unless observed feeding–e.g., bats and dragonflies will often be observed feeding.
- Species should be observed within a 3 year period.

Date Observed	Species	Behavior / Species Usage of Your Habitat	Comments

Even if you have not yet observed 10 Sanctuary Species, you are invited to contact the Audubon Society of Northern Virginia at info@audubonva.org . An Audubon at Home Ambassador can visit to advise you on improving wildlife habitat, and help you achieve Wildlife Sanctuary certification.

Applicant Signature	Date	AAH Ambassador	Date

Please email your completed application form to info@audubonva.org or print and mail to ASNV, 11100 Wildlife Center Dr., Ste. 100, Reston, VA 20190. An Audubon at Home Ambassador will contact you to arrange a visit to certify your property. [Include a check for \\$35 payable to ASNV if you would like to display a yard sign.](#)