

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER

Length
5.5 in
13.97 cm

Wingspan
8.75 in
22.23 cm

Weight
0.56 oz
15.88 g

Relative Size
Smaller
than a
Bluebird

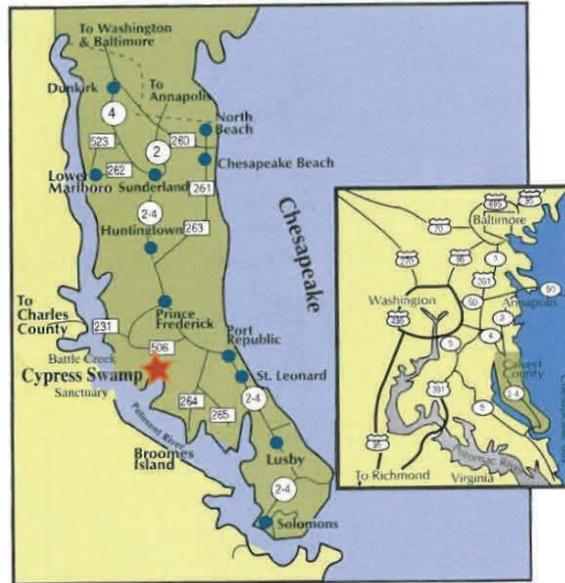


- Males have gold heads and a greenish back. The belly is yellow, but fades into white underneath the tail. Wings are grayish-blue with black edges.
- Females are the same except with green on the crown.
- One of two warblers that are cavity nesters.
- Nests mostly in old woodpecker holes.
- Feed on mostly insects and spiders.
- Breed in wooded swamps.
- Mostly nests in Bald cypress, willows, and sweet gums.
- Call is a loud, ringing *tweet, tweet, tweet, tweet*

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CALVERT COUNTY NATURAL RESOURCES

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER NEST BOX PROGRAM



PROTHONOTARY WARBLER BOX



Female Prothonotary Warbler

Calvert County Natural Resources is participating in a research and conservation program to increase suitable nesting sites for prothonotary warblers.

Prothonotary warblers migrate to Central and South America during the winter. Even though these warblers are labeled as a species of least concern by IUCN, their local breeding populations are in danger. Because prothonotary warblers have specific habitat requirements, they are extremely susceptible to habitat loss. Calvert County Natural Resources is building and installing nest boxes locally to provide breeding habitat for this cavity nesting species. In addition to building nest boxes, we are periodically monitoring the boxes to collect data for the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's NestWatch.

This program is funded by Calvert County Natural Resources.

How You can Help

Become a volunteer and help monitor nest boxes at our parks.

Additionally, we are seeking Calvert County landowners who would like to have a nest box installed on their property.

Property requirements are:

- Heavily forested area along a stream or swamp
- Poles to mount boxes 5-8 feet high
- Access to nest box for monitoring purposes



Prothonotary Warbler Nest Box

Interested in building boxes for the program? Let us know so we can send you approved plans.

Benefits of Warblers

- Will consume many pests that eat crops
- Using wildlife to help control pests can cut down on pesticide use, improve water quality, save time, and provide viewing enjoyment.



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