

The Attwater Prairie Chicken National Wildlife Refuge is located south of I-10 between San Antonio and Houston. In Sealy, take Exit #720, go south 1 mile on Highway 36, then right on FM 3013 for 10 miles. From Eagle Lake, take FM 3013 northeast for 6.5 miles.



Attwater Prairie Chicken NWR
P. O. Box 519
Eagle Lake, TX 77434

For more information on the APC Festival, please call the
Refuge Headquarters at (979) 234-3021



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2008 Attwater’s Prairie Chicken
Festival

Attwater Prairie Chicken
National Wildlife Refuge

April 12-13, 2008

Fourteenth Annual Attwater's Prairie Chicken Festival Activities at the Attwater Prairie Chicken National Wildlife Refuge

Prairie Chicken Viewing Tours: Experience the beautiful courtship dance of the Attwater's prairie chicken in their natural habitat. These early morning tours have a chance of seeing Attwater's on their "booming" grounds, but there is no guarantee. Tours start at 7:00 am and continue until the birds leave the "booming" ground (the earlier you come the better your chances). No reservations needed, but don't forget your binoculars or spotting scope. Saturday and Sunday.

Refuge Van Tours: Experience virgin coastal prairie habitat and it's wildlife with knowledgeable refuge guides as they explain the plight of the Attwater's prairie chicken and see first hand what is being done to keep this species from becoming extinct. Tours start at 10:30 am, 12 noon, and 1:30 pm, Saturday and Sunday.
Length of tours: about 2 hours.

Bird Walking Tours: A must for birding enthusiasts! Focus your binoculars to view prairie and riparian birds as they pass through the area on migration. 8:45 am - 10:30 am, Saturday and Sunday.

Marsh Birding Tours: Rest your feet from the Bird Walking Tour and hop into a refuge vehicle to explore two refuge birding hot spots - Teal Marsh and Pintail Marsh. 10:45 am - 12:15 noon, Saturday and Sunday.

Native Plants Walking Tours: Get "up close and personal" with the native vegetation (grasses, "blooming" flowering plants) of the coastal prairie and develop a greater appreciation for this imperiled ecosystem.
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm, Saturday and Sunday.

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Food concession items for sale courtesy of the Tom Waddell Outdoor Nature Club, the Refuge's Friend's Group

Enjoy the 5-mile auto tour route, 2 walking trails, and Visitor's Center with bird collection mounts and Attwater's videos at your leisure!

All tours depart from the Refuge Headquarters/Visitor Center