

Eastern Newfoundland BIRD FINDER



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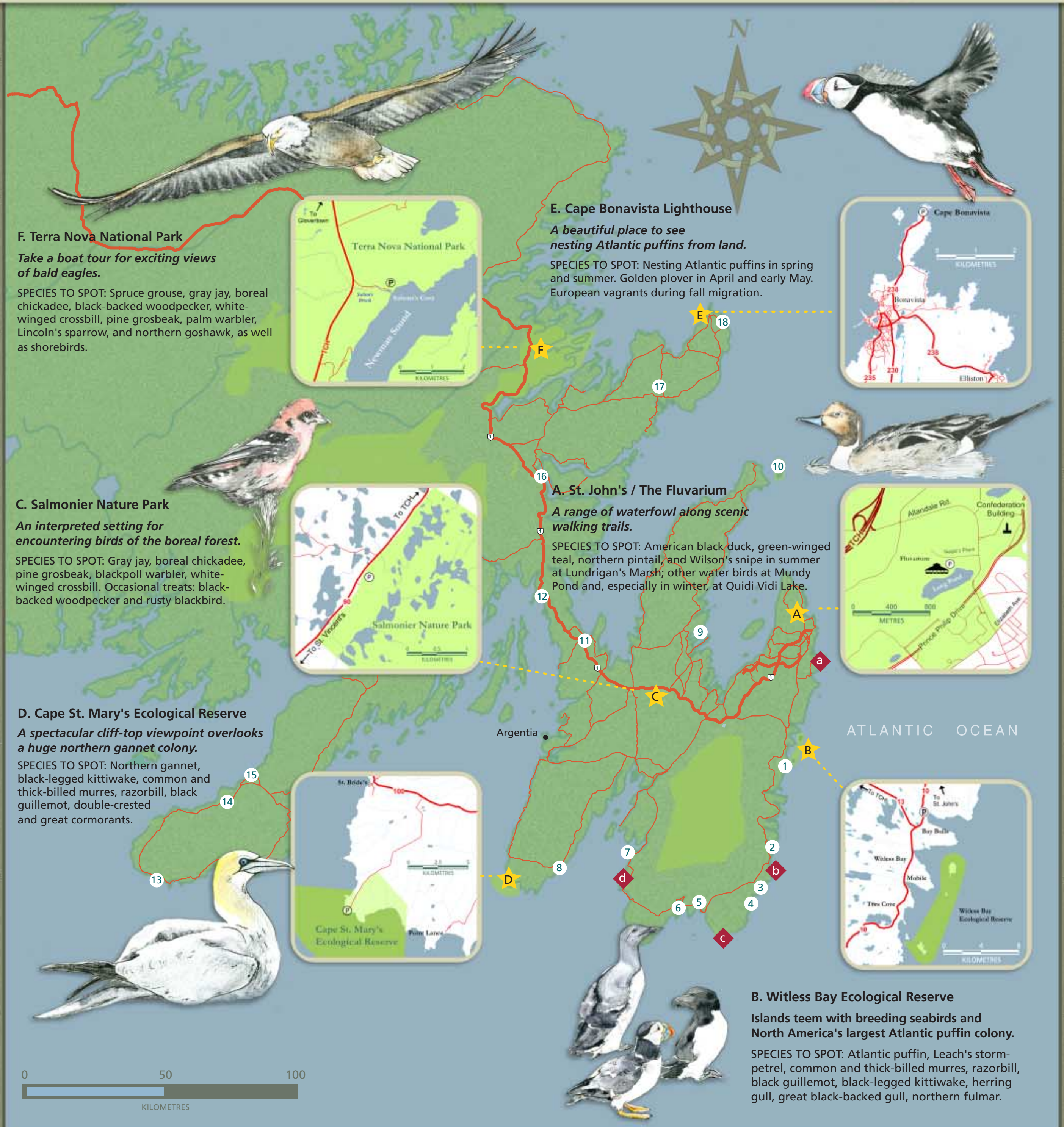
Our six **Key Sites**—marked by stars and short profiles on the map—are outlined in more detail on the reverse side of the sheet.

Four additional locations are also outlined there, as well. These are our **Second-tier Sites**. Marked by a red diamond on the map, they provide particularly rewarding birding experiences (regularly or in season). The four locations are:

- a Cape Spear:** The easternmost point in North America provides excellent vantage points for viewing seabirds.
- b Renew's:** Its long and protected shallow harbour is attractive to shorebirds in late summer.
- c Cape Race Road:** The southeastern tip of the Avalon Peninsula is often a landing point for vagrant species.
- d St. Vincent's Beach:** From the sweeping gravel strand you can easily see northern gannets plunge-diving for capelin in early summer.

The 18 sites marked by a white dot on the map are additional **Areas of Interest**—just a sampling of locations in eastern Newfoundland where local birders go to look for birds. Birds can be seen almost anywhere, of course, but you may wish to try your luck at these sites when you are in their vicinity. The GPS coordinates will take you to preferred vantage points.

- 1 La Manche Provincial Park** 47°09'47.03"N 52°53'54.40"W
Birds of both woodland and bog habitats.
- 2 Ferryland** 47°00'36.40"N 52°58'54.35"W
An inland wetland area in early winter has lingering songbirds.
- 3 Cappahayden** 46°52'21.92"N 52°56'20.75"W
In fall, the pull-off at Bear Cove is a good place to see vagrant songbirds.
- 4 Chance Cove Provincial Park** 46°45'41.10"N 53°03'37.42"W
Woodland birding is possible near the parking lot when the park is open.
- 5 Biscay Bay** 46°44'35.40"N 53°17'04.11"W
Water birds frequent the protected area inside the barchois from July to September.
- 6 Trepassey** 46°43'33.27"N 53°22'02.94"W
Terns, gulls, and cormorant are seen on the bay from June through October.
- 7 Point La Haye** 46°54'15.52"N 53°36'55.63"W
From the headland in summer, look for alcids, shearwaters, gannet, jaegers, and scoter.
- 8 Branch** 46°53'02.40"N 53°56'55.56"W
Shorebirds frequent the estuary especially during migration.
- 9 Spaniard's Bay** 47°35'44.47"N 53°16'38.11"W
Scan the tidal estuary for shorebirds from mid-July through September.
- 10 Baccalieu Island Ecological Reserve** 48°05'08.08"N 52°53'46.82"W
The Bay de Verde Heritage House has an exhibit about the inaccessible but spectacular nearby seabird breeding colony.
- 11 Bellevue Beach Provincial Park Reserve** 47°38'07.04"N 53°46'30.74"W
The barchois behind the beach is home to nesting osprey; shorebirds use the east end of the beach from mid-July to early October.
- 12 Arnold's Cove** 47°46'06.62"N 53°58'48.20"W
Several bird sanctuaries shelter wintering waterfowl; shorebirds congregate from early July to late fall. A map of several local sites is available.
- 13 Lamaline** 46°51'41.44"N 55°48'47.26"W
The salt marsh is home to a nesting colony of common tern; look for short-eared owl and rough-legged hawk on the barrens near Pt. Crewe.
- 14 Grand Beach** 47°07'55.59"N 55°30'08.64"W
From the highway overlooking the pond a range of shorebirds can be seen in summer.
- 15 Frenchman's Cove** 47°11'41.00"N 55°26'00.00"W
Shorebirds may be seen in late summer and fall, both from the lookoff west of town and in the lagoon north of Frenchman's Cove Provincial Park entrance.
- 16 Clarenville** 48°09'03.44"N 53°57'35.96"W
Waterfowl, geese, and gulls congregate in the bay in late fall and winter.
- 17 Lockston Path Provincial Park** 48°27'00.91"N 53°21'40.98"W
Boreal forest birds are regular breeders in the woods of the park.
- 18 Elliston** 48°37'34.56"N 53°01'11.89"W
Atlantic puffins nesting on nearby islands can be seen from land.



F. Terra Nova National Park

Take a boat tour for exciting views of bald eagles.

SPECIES TO SPOT: Spruce grouse, gray jay, boreal chickadee, black-backed woodpecker, white-winged crossbill, pine grosbeak, palm warbler, Lincoln's sparrow, and northern goshawk, as well as shorebirds.



E. Cape Bonavista Lighthouse

A beautiful place to see nesting Atlantic puffins from land.

SPECIES TO SPOT: Nesting Atlantic puffins in spring and summer. Golden plover in April and early May. European vagrants during fall migration.



C. Salmonier Nature Park

An interpreted setting for encountering birds of the boreal forest.

SPECIES TO SPOT: Gray jay, boreal chickadee, pine grosbeak, blackpoll warbler, white-winged crossbill. Occasional treats: black-backed woodpecker and rusty blackbird.



A. St. John's / The Fluvarium

A range of waterfowl along scenic walking trails.

SPECIES TO SPOT: American black duck, green-winged teal, northern pintail, and Wilson's snipe in summer at Lundrigan's Marsh; other water birds at Mundy Pond and, especially in winter, at Quidi Vidi Lake.



D. Cape St. Mary's Ecological Reserve

A spectacular cliff-top viewpoint overlooks a huge northern gannet colony.

SPECIES TO SPOT: Northern gannet, black-legged kittiwake, common and thick-billed murres, razorbill, black guillemot, double-crested and great cormorants.



B. Witless Bay Ecological Reserve

Islands teem with breeding seabirds and North America's largest Atlantic puffin colony.

SPECIES TO SPOT: Atlantic puffin, Leach's storm-petrel, common and thick-billed murres, razorbill, black guillemot, black-legged kittiwake, herring gull, great black-backed gull, northern fulmar.

