

Great Falls Park

George Washington Memorial Parkway



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Mallard Ducks

Typical Habitat & When Found:

Mallard Ducks live year-round at Great Falls Park. During spring and fall migrations, many more ducks traveling through the region will stop over, and can be spotted in the calm watered areas off the North River Trail, Clay Pond, and the Patowmack Canal channel.

Bird song: Mallards make a variety of vocal sounds including whistles and squeeks, but only the females can quack, males make short raspy calls.

Importance to the park: Aids with natural pest control by eating mosquito larvae.