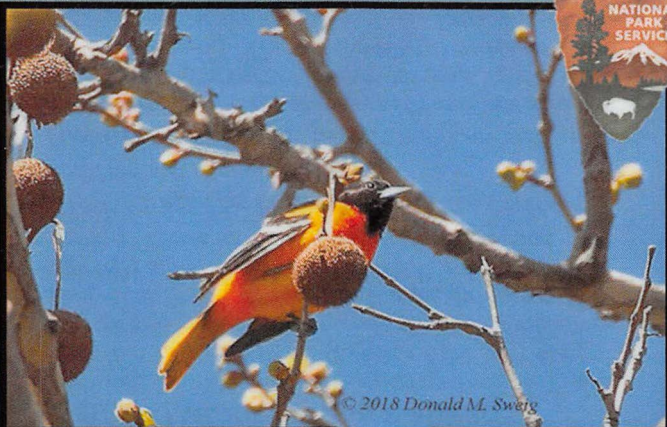


Great Falls Park

George Washington Memorial Parkway



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Baltimore Oriole

Typical Habitat & When Found:

The iconic Baltimore Oriole is a part-year resident, and nester in Great Falls Park. They nest from early May through mid-June, and remain in the park until late July. Look for them in the picnic area, the quarry, the high trees along the North River Trail, and flying back and forth across the parking lots by the Clay Pond.

Bird song: *They have a short, flutelike, sweet song and a dry sort of chatter as well.*

Importance to the park: *Baltimore Orioles migrate from wintering grounds in Central America and serve as indicators of environmental conditions in other parts of the world. They eat forest tent caterpillar moths, naturally regulating that population. Their return also can remind us that baseball season has started.*

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