

Oregon Woodpecker Photography Workshop With Naturalist Journeys



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SUMMARY: Local expert and Naturalist Journey's guide Steve Shunk teamed up with well-known author and photographer Kirsten Hines for this inaugural photography workshop aimed to document local species and their behaviors. Company owner Peg Abbott just had to join in the experience and she was delighted to learn and to meet such an interesting and companionable group. She shares this eBird report.

While our primary goal was to photograph birds, particularly nesting woodpeckers, we had the opportunity to sample Oregon's great array of western birds against a scenic background hard to beat. There was still a lot of mountain snowpack to show off the famous "Sisters" and streams were rushing. Highlights included young American Dippers learning about their aquatic realm to brilliantly colored Western Tanagers and seeing a Bright male Calliope Hummingbird and a nesting Northern Pygmy Owl. A week in "Woodpecker Wonderland" during peak nesting time was a wonderful photographic opportunity and we had excellent field time with all the resident species.

The link to our eBird Trip Report: <https://ebird.org/tripreport/140729>