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**South Carolina State Parks**

at 12:15:00 on 8/08/2017 UTC · 🌐

Once nearly hunted to extinction by plume hunters, the Roseate Spoonbill made a comeback after being protected by the US Migratory Bird Act. This beauty was spotted on Hunting Island last month searching for food in the salt marsh. The pink color comes from the organisms the Spoonbill eats which are filled with carotenoids. What are some of your favorite species of birds to see in our SC state parks? Share your pics!



**Michelle Clontz** Beautiful!!

at 12:18:00 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Roger William Burrows** So it's basically a different kind of flamingo ?

at 12:22:45 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Cassandra Morrow Harris** Pretty sure I saw one of these birds at Huntington Beach State Park last week!! We were riding bikes and it was on the other side of the marsh, so didn't get a super close look. But it definitely stood out as the only pink bird!

at 12:25:28 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Stephanie Enlow Sawyer** Mary Alice Monroe, good news for this shore bird! Making a comeback.

at 12:30:45 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Crystal K Pumphrey** Jeanette Mattison

at 12:33:36 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Bonnie Rourk** I've only seen them once locally in a lifetime of birdwatching. <3 Hope they flourish and become even more common, like the once-rare Wood Stork.

at 12:40:59 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Cindy Ondek Maloney** Ms. Cassandra, in case you see one again, they stand on two legs (most of the time, as I was told) and are a little chubbier than flamingos. It's the way I learned to ID them in FL when you couldn't see the bill. Hope you get to see lots more!

at 13:16:29 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Barb Toland** Linda Montgomery

at 13:23:10 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Connie Kalriess Koprowicz** I love these Spoonbills, and I love the Painted Buntings. I see them both every year at Huntington Beach State Park.

at 13:27:29 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Linda Montgomery** Huntington Beach State Park is my happy place! My thanks to those who manage and maintain this wonderful park!



at 13:37:03 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Elissa Popino-Olsen** Saw one a few days ago near the savannah wildlife refuge

at 13:48:25 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Jenny McMillan** Huntington Beach State Park. April, 2017



at 14:31:11 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Tiffany Hunt Zieman** I just painted one the other day, I gave it a seashell head dress



at 14:44:38 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Leslie Elizabeth** Trish, If I remember correctly, you saw spoonbills locally.

at 15:17:22 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Carole Jeffreys** I enjoy seeing all the different species of birds, but one of my favorites is the pelican.



at 15:32:50 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Trish Bender** Yes! 4 at Wallace River near Poplar Grove

at 15:48:53 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Jane Cunningham Derrick** Paul Ricciardi, here's another bird to watch for and photograph when you are at the beach.

at 15:51:19 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Becky Abraham** Favorites to watch; osprey, Great Blue Heron, brown pelican and mallards.

at 15:59:25 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Tony Price** Aletha Parker Price

at 16:41:38 on 8/08/2017 UTC

**Beth Guswiler Johnson** Beautiful!

at 16:46:53 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Jeanette Mattison** It looks just like mine! 😊  
at 18:38:57 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Christy Dawn Denkins** Beautiful!  
at 18:51:01 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Leslie Elizabeth** Trish, Thank you for the reminder. I'd love to see them. Many thanks!  
at 18:56:16 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Paul Ricciardi** We saw a few on vacation  
at 19:56:38 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Bob Betty Dilworth** Saw them & have pictures from Huntington State Park  
at 20:45:16 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Jane Cunningham Derrick** Paul Ricciardi that's so cool. They must look interesting in the wild. Sort of like looking at a flamingo, but not.  
at 21:39:28 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**LaDonna Warren** Not a very good picture. But I took this Friday morning at Huntington Beach State Park.



at 22:44:54 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Kristen Montana Lee** Maureen Montana Toth  
at 22:56:52 on 8/08/2017 UTC



**Toni Basso Clark** Saw these cuties in Sarasota just hanging on the golf course!  
at 0:03:35 on 8/09/2017 UTC



**South Carolina State Parks** Yes! They do hang out at Huntington Beach State Park!  
at 12:00:34 on 8/09/2017 UTC



**Joan Gross** That is a lovely bird.  
at 13:09:28 on 8/09/2017 UTC

**Lisa Bobby Franklin** Sarasota has spoon bills



at 13:17:19 on 8/09/2017 UTC



**Judith Leeds Hambleton** Yes there was a single one. Hanging out with the mass of wood storks.

at 14:05:46 on 8/09/2017 UTC



**Judith Leeds Hambleton** Oh cool! He came nearer the road. Before he was sooo far away. And surrounded by wood storks.

at 14:06:39 on 8/09/2017 UTC



**Judith Leeds Hambleton** You got a great pic.... I got this lol. Thanks for sharing.



at 14:08:04 on 8/09/2017 UTC



**Judith Leeds Hambleton** Fifth bird in from the right.



at 14:08:44 on 8/09/2017 UTC



**Beverly Oller Livingston** I took this last week....1 Spoonbill among many Storks!





at 17:17:13 on 8/09/2017 UTC



**Charlene Adams** They have shown up in Beaufort county the last two summers. They are beautiful!

at 12:56:35 on 8/10/2017 UTC



**Cheryl W Kirk** Beautiful!

at 13:08:55 on 8/11/2017 UTC



**Becki Phil Jacobs** They are beautiful birds. I love the beautiful colors and the eyes.

at 0:23:29 on 8/14/2017 UTC



**Layla Warren** Monica D. Donahue

at 12:08:05 on 8/16/2017 UTC



**Patricia Cope** I saw one

at 2:29:44 on 8/22/2017 UTC



**Joyce Taylor** Beautiful

at 19:22:40 on 9/04/2017 UTC



**Joyce Taylor** I took this 2 yrs. Ago near one of the pond at The Parris Island golf course. I had this made into a canvas, hung it on my living room wall. I don't know what the smaller Bird is tho? Anyone? Thanks

at 19:28:09 on 9/04/2017 UTC



**Joyce Taylor**



at 19:28:24 on 9/04/2017 UTC



**Joyce Taylor**



at 19:29:44 on 9/04/2017 UTC



**Tiffany Hunt Zieman** Awe thank you so much!  
at 20:23:50 on 9/04/2017 UTC