

The 56,000-acre **Savannah Coastal Refuges Complex** includes seven refuges that span 100 miles of coastline in the heart of the low-country and encompass freshwater marshes, tidal rivers, creeks, bottomland hardwoods, barrier islands and salt marsh estuaries. They are managed by the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

This chain of National Wildlife Refuges extends from Pinckney Island NWR near Hilton Head Island, SC, to Wolf Island NWR near Darien, GA. They provide habitat for nine protected species including the piping plover, flatwoods salamander, manatee, bald eagle, alligator, leatherback sea turtle, loggerhead sea turtle and wood stork.



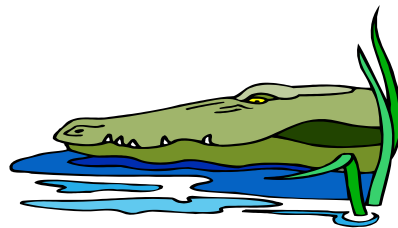
The **FRIENDS** group offers much needed support for the refuges and the wildlife they shelter through volunteer projects, educational outreach, public programs and field trips. In addition, as an independent non-profit organization, the FRIENDS can raise funds for and advocate on behalf of the refuges with public policymakers – activities that are by law prohibited to refuge staff.

## Our Mission

The mission of the **Friends of the Savannah Coastal Wildlife Refuges, Inc.** is to support and advocate for the seven wildlife refuges within the Savannah Coastal Refuges system and to promote public understanding of the need to protect and preserve wildlife and wildlife habitat.

## Our Refuges

- Pinckney Island NWR (SC)
- Savannah NWR (SC & GA)
- Tybee NWR (SC)
- Wassaw NWR (GA)
- Harris Neck NWR (GA)
- Blackbeard Island NWR (GA)
- Wolf Island NWR (GA)



## Become a Friend of the Savannah Coastal Wildlife Refuges!

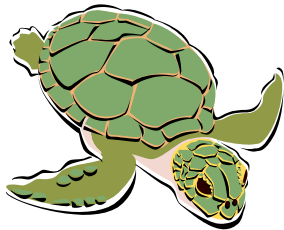


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## OUR IMPORTANT HABITATS

The South Carolina and Georgia coasts contain critical habitat for a variety of wildlife:

- Waterfowl winter in the former rice plantation impoundments
- Alligators make their home year-round in the ponds, rivers and marshes
- Endangered sea turtles nest on the oceanfront beaches
- Migrating shorebirds feed and rest in the estuaries
- Herons, egrets, ibises and endangered wood storks nest on small islands and hammocks in the swamps and marshes
- Painted buntings migrate thousands of miles each year to nest in the maritime forests and scrub.



## Friends of the Savannah Coastal Wildlife Refuges, Inc. Membership Application

**I/We want to help by (check all that apply):**

- becoming a member
- making a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- volunteering

FSCWR has been granted 501(c)3 tax-exempt status by the IRS. Your membership dues and contributions may be deductible under section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

*Please print legibly:*

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**Annual (calendar year) membership donations:**

- Individual \$15
- Family \$25

Please make check payable to "Friends of SCWR" and mail to:

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