



Migratory Bird Sanctuary **Refuge d'oiseaux migrants**

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Victoria Harbour Bird Sanctuary, est. Oct. 27, 1923



The oldest Migratory Bird Sanctuary on the Pacific coast of Canada, it encompasses 1840 hectares below the high-water mark from Portage Inlet to Ten Mile Point.

It also includes the estuaries of the Colquitz River, Craigflower Creek, Cecelia Cr., Bowker Cr. and others.

Established to control hunting after the Migratory Bird Convention Act of 1917, forgotten and ignored for decades, it features diverse, coastal and marine wildlife.

This wildlife includes birds, fishes, mammals, molluscs, crustaceans, plants and other organisms, including several species at risk, which are unusual in an urban area and a working harbour.

Cleanups, restoration and rewilding at several sites are encouraging several species to stay or recover, creating one of the best assemblages of wildlife in urban Canada.