NH Audubon & Shoals Marine Laboratory
Isles of Shoals Birding Excursion

Dates:
Arrival: Monday, September 2, 2019
Departure: Wednesday, September 4, 2019

Group Size:
10 participants minimum / 20 maximum
2 group leaders (Pam Hunt and Phil Brown)

SML Dock Address:
315 Market Street
Portsmouth, NH
(next to the Isles of Shoals Steamship Company & M/V Thomas Laighton dock)

Day 1: Monday, September 2, 2019

1:00pm Arrive at the SML dock (315 Market Street, Portsmouth, NH).
Please note there is NO parking available at the SML dock; pick-up/drop-off only.
SML will provide parking instructions to participants upon registration.

1:00-1:45pm Check-in with SML staff at the SML dock.
Unload luggage from vehicle(s) and load onto the R/V John M. Kingsbury (SML vessel).

1:45pm Depart Portsmouth en route to Appledore Island (trip duration = 1 hour 15 minutes).
Seabird observations along the way!

3:00pm Arrive at Appledore Island

3:15pm Gather in Kiggins Commons (SML’s dining hall) for customary Island Welcome and
“Fire & Water” safety talk led by SML Staff. Luggage will be delivered to dorms by
SML staff while participants are in the Commons.

3:45pm Participants shown to their dorm rooms; time to settle in or unpack before dinner.

5:00pm Free time to explore Appledore Island
6:00pm  Dinner in Kiggins Commons (all meals are community-style, buffet-style)
7:16pm  Sunset
7:30pm  White and Seavey Island Tern Restoration presentation with Pam Hunt / Jennifer Seavey or Liz Craig

**Day 2: Tuesday, September 3, 2019**

- High tide: 2:58 PM
- Low tide: 8:36 AM

6:08am  Sunrise
6:30am  Bird Banding at the AIMS station/island birding
7:30am  Breakfast in Kiggins Commons
8:30am  Birding & botany
9:30am  Boat tour of Isles of Shoals including White and Seavey Islands if weather permits
11:30am Sustainable infrastructure tour
12:30pm Lunch in Kiggins Commons
1:30 pm  Gull movie showing
3:30pm  History & Celia Thaxter’s Garden Tour
5:00pm  Social Hour (BYOB) on the Kiggins Commons deck
6:00pm  Dinner in Kiggins Commons (Lobster Bake)
         Daily bird list in Kiggins Commons
7:14pm  Sunset
Day 3: Wednesday, September 4, 2019

Low tide: 9:30 AM

6:09am  Sunrise

6:30am  Bird Banding at the AIMS station/island birding

7:30am  Breakfast in Kiggins Commons

8:30am  Island birding

9:30am  Tidepooling or continue birding

11:00 am  Geology Tour

12:30pm  Lunch in Kiggins Commons

1:30pm  Final moments on the island... take it all in!

2:00pm  Meet at top of the SML dock prior to departure. Luggage will have already been picked up at the dorms by SML Staff. Participants help with luggage line down to load the R/V John B. Heiser (SML vessel).

2:15pm  Depart Appledore Island en route to Portsmouth, NH (trip duration = 45 minutes)

3:00pm  Approx. arrival back at the 315 Market Street dock in Portsmouth