

"A BIRDS' PARADISE"



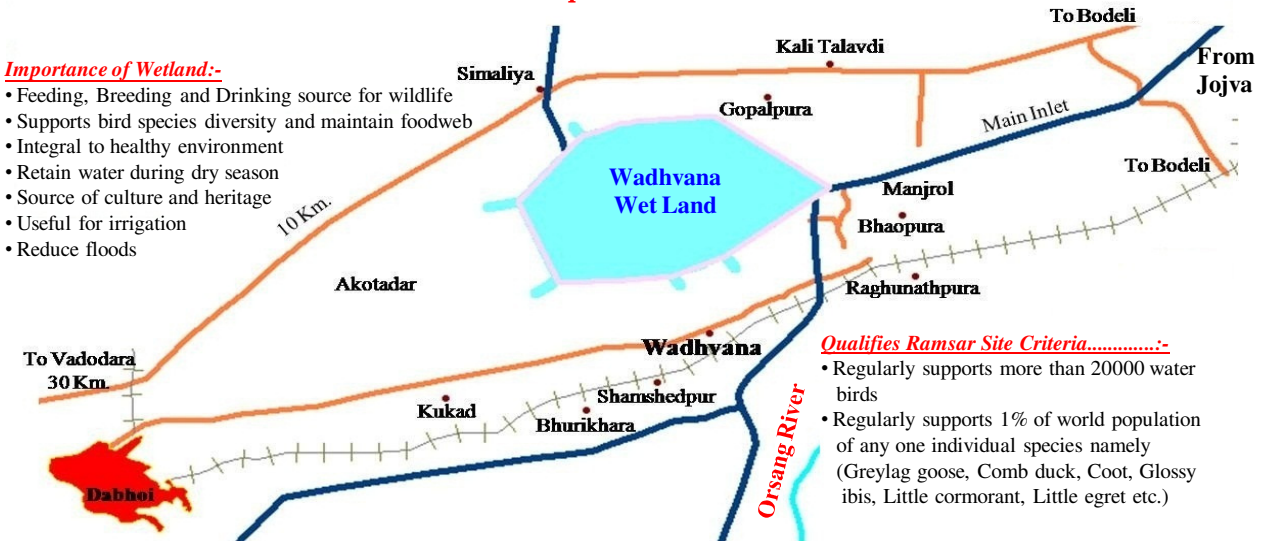
WADHAVANA WETLAND...."A WETLAND OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE"

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Location Map of Wadhvana Wetland



Importance of Wetland:-

- Feeding, Breeding and Drinking source for wildlife
- Supports bird species diversity and maintain foodweb
- Integral to healthy environment
- Retain water during dry season
- Source of culture and heritage
- Useful for irrigation
- Reduce floods

Qualifies Ramsar Site Criteria.....:-

- Regularly supports more than 20000 water birds
- Regularly supports 1% of world population of any one individual species namely (Greylag goose, Comb duck, Coot, Glossy ibis, Little cormorant, Little egret etc.)



Wadhvana Wetland... A veritable paradise for Bird watching



- **Location:** Dabhoi taluka of Vadodara district.
- **Area:** Irrigation Tank Area 10.38 sq. km.
- **Climate:** Hot with max. temp. up to 46° C.
- **Best period to visit:** November to March.
- **Approach (From important Rail heads):**
By road: From Dabhoi : 10 Km.
Vadodara: 40 Kms, Ahmedabad: 160 kms.
By Train: From Vadodara to Wadhavana 40 Km.

- **Main Attractions:** Over 200 species of birds, scenic beauty, rich biodiversity. The variety of Birds include both resident & Migratory
- **Public Facilities:** Well developed Camp site, Watch tower (Simliya, Manjarol, Wadhvana) and Eco-tourism complex near Wadhvana village (Irrigation campus) spotting scopes, trained guides
- A well organized Eco-Tourism Committee (Through Forest Deptt) to provide canteen service, sanitation, guide, recreation, etc., services.

Rates for Entry Fee, Guide, Canteen, Parking, Accommodation, etc...

- (1) Entry Fee:
 - (a) Adults : Rs.10/-
 - (b) Children : Rs.5/- (Below 10 years)
- (1) Guide fee:
 - (a) Rs. 200/- for 1st 4 hour
 - (b) Rs. 50/- for every additional hour.
- (2) Canteen (Through EDC):
 - (a) Veg. Lunch/Dinner (per person): Rs.100/-
 - (b) Veg. Breakfast per person: Rs. 40/-
 - (c) Tea- 20/- , Coffee : 25/-

- (3) Parking charges:
Two Wheelers Rs. 10/- per entry.
Light motor vehicles Rs. 50/- per entry.
Heavy vehicles Rs. 200/- per entry.

- (4) Accommodation charges:
 - (a) Cottage Huts: Rs. 300/- per day

Eco-tourism Committee service charges and taxes (as applicable) will be in addition to above.

While on eco-tour, you are supporting nature conservation and welfare of local people



Spot-billed Duck



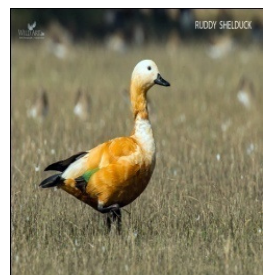
Greylag Goose



Bar-headed Goose



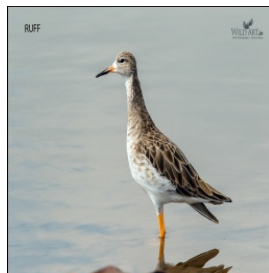
Common Redshank



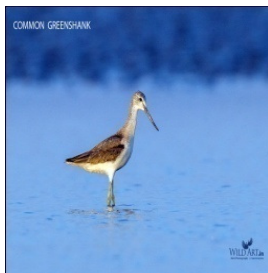
Ruddy Shelduck



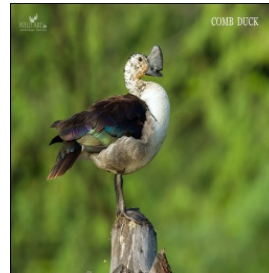
Common Teal



Ruff



Common Greenshank



Comb Duck



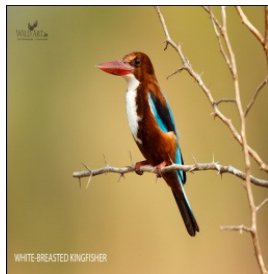
Lesser Whistling Teal



Common Kingfisher



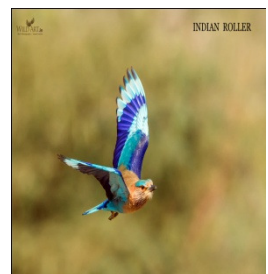
Pied Kingfisher



White Breasted Kingfisher



Kentish Plover



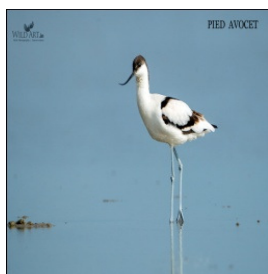
Indian Roller



Greater Coucal



Yellow Wattled Lapwing



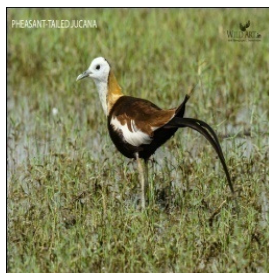
Pied Avocet



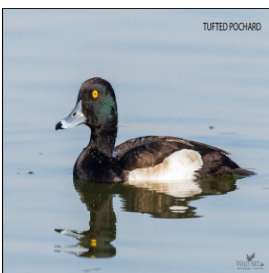
River Tern



Whiskered Tern



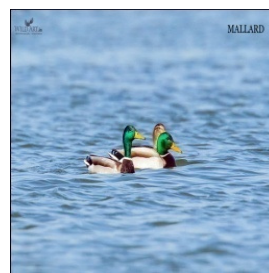
Pheasant-tailed Jucana



Tufted Pochard



Common Pochard



Mallard



Purple Moorhen
Photos: Wild Art

ECO-TOURISM : GENERAL INFORMATION

1. OBJECTIVES:

- To provide opportunities to experience nature.
- To raise awareness for conservation.
- To develop and facilitate Eco-tourism through local people.
- To generate employment for local people through Eco-tourism.
- To Provide Opportunity to enthusiastic & dedicated Bird lovers

2. OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES:

- Local Forest officers will serve as facilitators.
- ETC's to provide services like Guide, Catering, Camping, Parking etc.
- Surplus to be shared equally between all members of EDC's.

3. IMPORTANT NOTICE:-

- Visit only after confirmed permission/reservation.
- You have come to mother nature, please pay respect.
- Playing Radio, tape, CD player is strictly Prohibited.
- Come with eco-friendly frame of mind, equipments & clothing.
- Plastic bags, Gutkha, Smoking are strictly prohibited.
- Use services of authorized guide only.
- *Do not through waste.*

4. VEHICLES ARE PROHIBITED ON WETLAND:-