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## Adopt a Swan Program

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- ☛ A male swan
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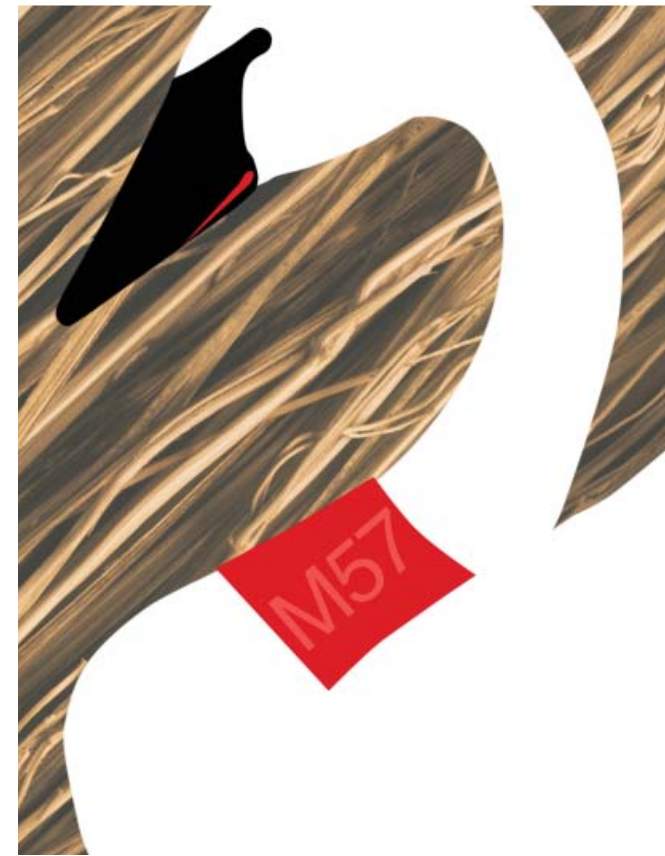
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All donations from residents of the US are tax deductible.

Please allow 3-4 weeks of delivery of thank you gifts.



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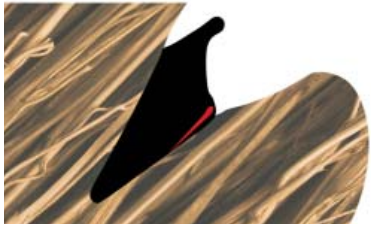


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## Trumpeter Swans need your help.

Over the past 10 winters more than 2,200 Trumpeter Swans and a few Tundra Swans have died from lead poisoning after swallowing lead shot while feeding in Whatcom County, Washington, and the adjacent Sumas Prairie area in British Columbia, Canada.

Although the mortality has declined in the past three years due to significant management action at Judson Lake on the U.S./Canada border, swans are continuing to die from ingesting lead shot and the problem is spreading south in to Skagit, Snohomish and King counties in Washington. This area hosts the largest number of wintering Trumpeter Swans in the United States. While the wildlife agencies on both sides of the border are working on the problem, they can not do it all.

## Marked swans.

Trumpeter Swans were captured by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife from 2001-2005, with special nets as the swans fed on baited fields. Each swan was fitted with a red or yellow plastic neck band that has a unique number/letter code in white. Some Tundra Swans were marked with black collars with a white code. Each bird also was given a coded aluminum leg band from the US Fish & Wildlife Service.

Since 2005, additional banding of swans has continued in Alaska for other research needs. Some of these Trumpeter and Tundra swans winter in Washington or pass through in migration. They are marked with blue collars with number/letter code in white. These swans have provided important information in the lead poisoning research and are now part of the volunteer tracking/monitoring program.

You may be able to find one of these swans during the winter in western Washington. Going out with a spotting scope to swan use areas, check around. Maybe you will find a special swan you want to adopt or you may find the swan you adopted.

**LOOK for your special swan** by going out to swan use areas in Whatcom, Skagit, and Snohomish counties. The red, yellow, and blue collars are easy to locate in the flocks and you can read the letter/number code with a spotting scope. Don't have a spotting scope? Contact us and we can likely pair you up with someone who does.

Adopt a Swan at any sponsorship level, and we will send you an official Adopt a Swan Certificate along with the gift items for that level.

## Adopt a Swan Sponsorship Level

### Platinum, Satellite Transmitter sponsor: **\$1,000**

- Same as Silver level
- Limited edition print by James A. Meger "Fanfare" (33"x18.5")

### Platinum Radio sponsor: **\$500**

- Same as Silver level
- Art print by Jim Hautman "Spring Thaw" (12"x18")

### Gold: **\$300**

- Same as Silver level
- Book: *Swans of The World, In Nature, History, Myth and Art*

### Silver: **\$150**

- Same as Bronze level
- TTSS sweatshirt

### Bronze: **\$75**

- Same as Cygnet level
- Membership in TTSS
- TTSS window cling

### Cygnet: **\$1 to \$50**

- Your name listed as a swan supporter on our website
- Adopt a Swan Certificate

Ask your friends and family to **Adopt a Swan** too. No amount is too big or too small. Your contribution will help us find the solution to stop the lead poisoning deaths and protect the largest population of Trumpeter Swans in North America.

**We need your help** to raise funds for continued monitoring of swans and their movements during the winter, to help pay for additional sampling for finding the other sources of lead shot. There are additional needs that will be funded as dollars allow.

## The Adopt a Swan Program

**YOU CAN HELP** by Adopting a Swan that is wearing one of these special collars.

- We have adoption levels to fit every budget.
- You may specify if you want a male or female swan. If you prefer we will assign you one of the marked birds. While we have a list of birds marked from previous years, there will be many new ones marked this winter as more collars and radios are put on swans in November and December.

### Contact Information

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