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## Site #2: Ashland Nature Center

2 miles E of Hockessin (302) 239-2334  
Managed by: **Delaware Nature Society**

Headquarters of one of Delaware's leading conservation and environmental education groups, the Delaware Nature Society, the Ashland Nature Center is an excellent spot for a morning or afternoon hike in search of typical woodland and field species. There are four self-guided nature trails on 130 acres of forest, meadow, and freshwater marsh.



The nature center maintains a very active bird feeding station. A daily fall raptor migration count was begun here in 2007; visitors are welcome. Follow the signs from the nature center or the parking lot to the hawk watch (39°47'49.46"N 75°39'42.11"W), which is atop the hill above the Overnight Lodge.

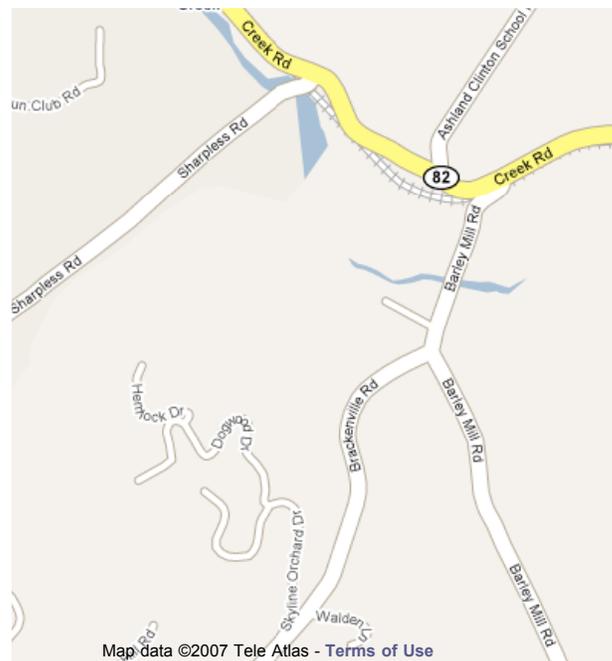
### Directions to the Ashland Nature Center:

(39°47'52.64"N 75°39'37.57"W) Take Route 41 south from Hockessin. Turn left (E) at the traffic light onto Brackenville Road. In about 2 miles, Brackenville Road dead-ends at Barley Mill Road at a stop sign. Turn left (N) onto Barley Mill, then immediately left again (W) into Ashland Nature Center parking area.

### Other Birding Sites in the Piedmont Hills & Valleys Region:

1. **White Clay Creek State Park**
2. **Ashland Nature Center**
3. **Brandywine Creek State Park**
4. **Wilmington State Parks**

## Site Map



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