Online Tools for Finding Habitat and Wildlife Information

**Air Photos**  
Bing Maps (true color, bird’s eye view) [https://www.bing.com/mapspreview](https://www.bing.com/mapspreview)  
NY Orthos Online (true color, color infrared, historic) [http://www.orthos.dhse.ny.gov/](http://www.orthos.dhse.ny.gov/)

**Topographic Maps**  

**Hudson Valley Natural Resource Mapper**  
An interactive online map for viewing habitat and water resource data. See [www.hudson.dnr.cals.cornell.edu/mapper](http://www.hudson.dnr.cals.cornell.edu/mapper).

**New York Nature Explorer: A Gateway to Biodiversity Information**  
A database of the documented rare animals, plants, and significant natural communities at the town, county, or watershed scale, with links to guidance. Sensitive species including state-listed threatened or endangered animals are only displayed at the county or watershed scale. See [www.dec.ny.gov/animals/57844.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/57844.html).

**NYSDEC Environmental Resource Mapper**  
An interactive mapping application that can be used to identify some of New York State’s natural resources and environmental features that are state protected, or of conservation concern. See [http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/38801.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/38801.html).

**Conservation Guides for Rare Animals, Plants, and Significant Natural Communities**  
The NY Natural Heritage Program maintains online animal, plant, and community guides that include descriptions, conservation issues, and other information on rare species and natural communities. See [www.guides.nynhp.org](http://www.guides.nynhp.org).

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF HABITAT AND WILDLIFE INFORMATION

**Publications**

*Hudson River Estuary Wildlife and Habitat Conservation Framework*  
A regional overview of biodiversity resources in the Hudson River estuary corridor describing key plant and animal habitats. The Framework includes a map and descriptions of Significant Biodiversity Areas, and proposes various strategies for their conservation. Available at [www.dec.ny.gov/lands/5096.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/5096.html).

*Creating a Natural Resources Inventory*  
A guidebook outlining how to inventory natural and cultural resources that describes many existing sources of information in the Hudson Valley. Available at [www.dec.ny.gov/lands/100925.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/100925.html).

**Additional Online Data**

NYS Breeding Bird Atlas: [www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7312.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7312.html)  
NYS Amphibian & Reptile Atlas: [www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7140.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7140.html)  
Hudson Biodiversity Resource Education Materials: [http://hudsonia.org/education/#2](http://hudsonia.org/education/#2)  