

INTERNATIONAL CRANE FOUNDATION



Since its founding in 1973, the International Crane Foundation (ICF) has worked tirelessly to conserve the world's fifteen species of cranes. Based in Baraboo, Wisconsin, ICF works with hundreds of devoted scientists and conservationists on five continents to foster understanding of cranes and the ecosystems they depend on and to develop effective conservation partnerships. Through education, research, field ecology, captive propagation and reintroduction, and professional training, ICF has helped to ensure the survival of the cranes and their habitats throughout the world while pioneering new approaches to conservation.

Mission Statement

The International Crane Foundation (ICF) works worldwide to conserve cranes and the wetland and grasslands communities on which they depend. ICF is dedicated to providing experience, knowledge, and inspiration to involve people in resolving threats to these ecosystems.

Accomplishments

World's most complete collection of cranes * First international transfer of crane eggs * First captive-breeding of endangered Hooded and Siberian Cranes * Discovered breeding area of endangered Red-crowned Cranes in Japan * First ecological studies of endangered Siberian Cranes in India and Wattled Cranes in Zambia * Helped establish India's Keoladeo National Park and Russia's Muraviovka Park * assist the Chinese in protecting major wetland reserves in three provinces * Assist the Vietnamese in restoring the Tram Chim Wetland Reserve * First puppet-rearing of captive-raised cranes * Breed Whooping Cranes for release into Florida * Sponsor Wisconsin's Annual Sandhill Crane Count with over 3,000 volunteers yearly * Develop seven curriculum packets and three educational videos * Annual attendance of over 30,000 and off-site presentations to over 5,000 people * Annual school attendance of over 7,500 students.

ICF gives you the opportunity to experience, photograph, and film Whooping Cranes. ICF is open daily, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., from April 15 through October 31. Guided tours are at 10, 1 and 3, Memorial Day through Labor Day and on weekends in May, September, and October. A picnic area is available. ICF is located on Shady Lane Road just five miles north of Baraboo off Highway 12 and one mile south of exit 92, Interstate 90-94.

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