10th Anacostia River Bioblitz

525
People Engaged

1,070
Species

3,505
Observations

55
Birds

9
Mammals

11
Reptiles

7
Amphibians

421
Plants

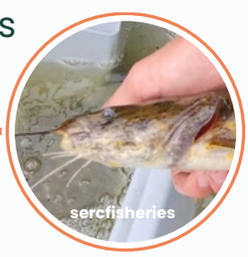
83
Fungi

52
Arachnids

15
Mollusks

387
Insects

20
Fish



167
Non-native species

Observations of Interest

Cobalt Crust Fungus

Also called "velvet blue spread", this gorgeous fungus is known to have antibiotic properties to treat infections under laboratory conditions.

Grass Spider

Insect-eating native species are developing a taste for new invasive insects like the spotted lanternfly (pictured here). They've become a new item on the menu for organisms ranging from spiders to birds.

Eastern Mosquitofish

Mosquitofish, one of the most common fish in the watershed, are related to guppies and are unique in that they are the only local fish species that give birth to live young instead of laying eggs.

American Persimmon

One of our native edible fruits, persimmon is a common tree in riparian forests and wetlands, and a favorite for birds and mammals.

This community science data helps document the watershed's species, inform conservation/restoration efforts, and enhance our connection and understanding of the natural world here in the Anacostia River watershed.

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