

We love egrets. Just not in our yards.



North Texas cities have become home to nesting egrets. Sometimes as many as 200 birds converge in one neighborhood. This means that there is a ton of falling bird poop. We're talkin' about enough to blanket roofs, trees, sidewalks, cars and driveways. Oh, and then there's the smell.

Nesting season is typically from February through June. Once the birds start nesting, you CANNOT remove them. They're protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918 to ensure wildlife diversity and conservation.

Here are six birds to look out for locally this Spring and Summer



Cattle Egret



Snowy Egret



Great White Egret



Little Blue Heron



Yellow-Crowned Night Heron



Black-Crowned Night Heron

Avoid egret regrets!

Protect your property by discouraging these birds from nesting in your yard.

- Trimming trees is the most important step.
- Use loud noises like air horns, loud bells, and bang pots & pans

These measures aren't meant to hurt or injure the birds. They're to encourage them to find a wild area to nest while also protecting Fort Worth residents' personal property. The City has and will continue to assist neighborhoods with guidance.

Learn more: Visit the City website or call the City Call Center at 817-392-1234.