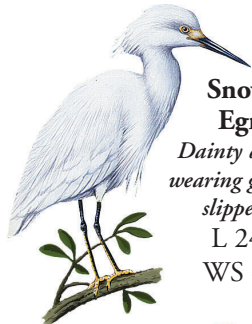


**Great Blue Heron**  
Solitary, stately, the sovereign of the wading birds along the Gulf Coast.  
L 48"  
WS 72"



**Green Heron**  
Small, stocky, solitary, and secretive. Often feeds from branches that hang low over water. Squawks like a barnyard chicken when upset.  
L 18" WS 26"



**Snowy Egret**  
Dainty dancer wearing golden slippers.  
L 24"  
WS 41"



**Glossy Ibis**  
Smaller, thinner than the White Ibis. Colonial nester.  
L 23" WS 36"



**Tricolored Heron**  
Only dark heron with a white underside.  
L 26" WS 36"



**Reddish Egret**  
Found only in shallow saltwater areas where it runs or lurches through the water looking for prey.  
L 30" WS 46"

## Wading Birds



**Roseate Spoonbill**  
Feeds by touch. Sensitive, spatulate bill shuts quickly when touched by prey. Nests in Florida Keys and also in the Tampa area.  
L 37"



**Little Blue Heron**  
Stealthy stalker. First-year bird is white.  
L 24"  
WS 40"



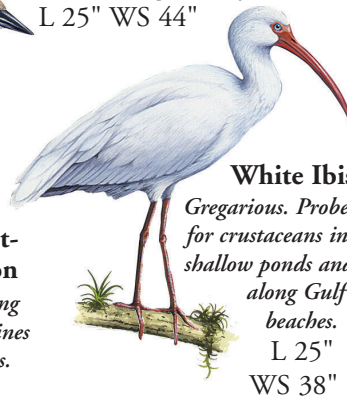
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Feeds during the day along muddy shorelines on its favorite food—crabs.  
L 24" WS 42"



**Great Egret**  
In breeding season, displays long lacy plumes on its back. Patient fisherman, but will also feed in grassy areas on insects and anoles.  
L 39" WS 51"



**Black-crowned Night-Heron**  
Feeds mostly at night. Found near salt marshes, lakes, fresh-water streams, as well as in mangrove estuaries along the Gulf.  
L 25" WS 44"



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WS 38"

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