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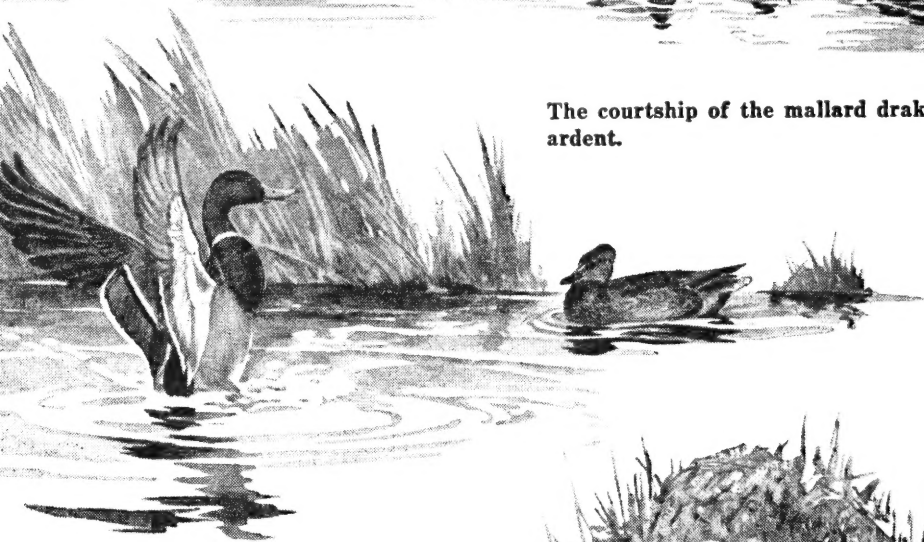
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LOTS OF DUCKS AND GOOD SPORT.**

# Mallards

In early spring they leave their winter home in the south and travel to breeding grounds as far north as Alaska. Then begins their annual cycle.



The courtship of the mallard drake is ardent.

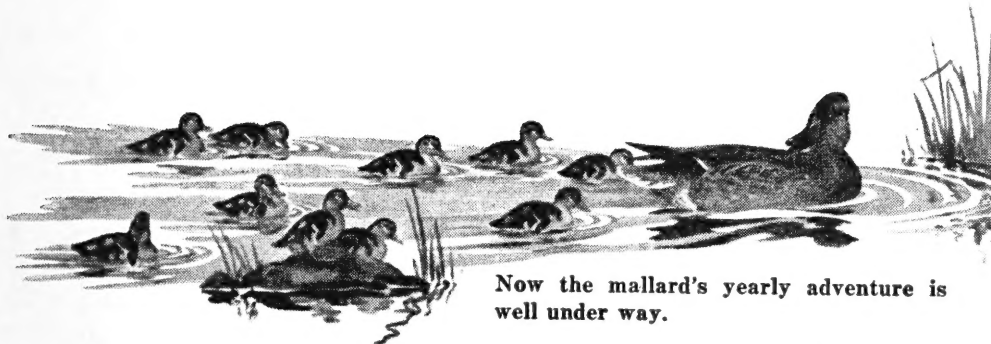


The nest is built near some pond or slough and in a slight depression lined with down, dry grass and reeds.



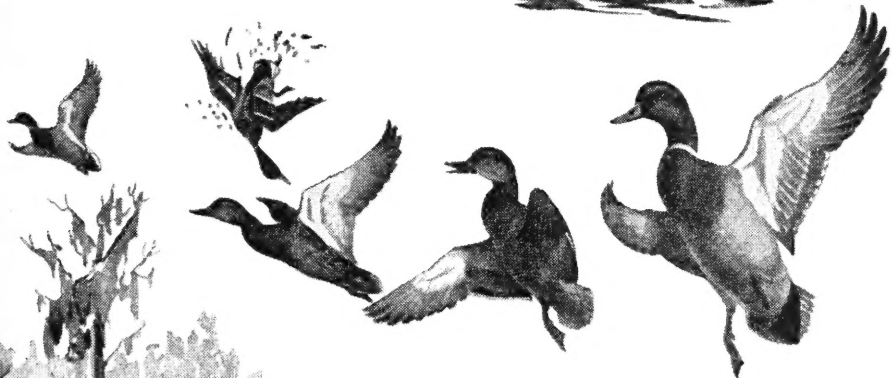
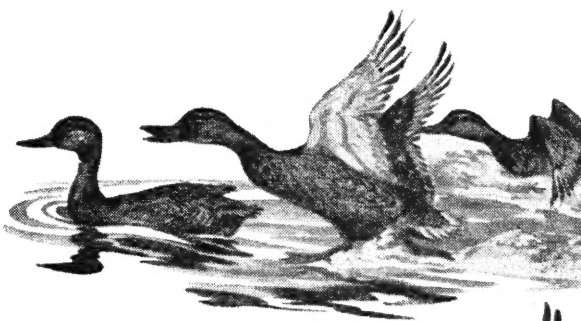
# ...their yearly adventure

By  
MAYNARD REECE



Now the mallard's yearly adventure is well under way.

Ducklings eat their heads off—  
mostly a vegetable diet, with  
some insects, too.



As soon as the chilly fall weather  
begins to freeze the vast net-  
work of waterways in the north,  
the mallard is on the move again.



# DUCK HUNTING ---

IT'S REAL SPORT  
WHEN THE BIRDS  
ARE THERE

# --- WILD DUCKS MUST EAT

Ninety Percent of Their Food is Vegetation that Grows In and About the Waters — Natural Foods Planted This Spring Will Make Food for the Waterfowl Next Fall.

## GIANT WILD RICE

Mallards, Pintails, Blackducks, Teal, Widgeon and Canada Geese fly hundreds of miles to the Wild Rice Marshes.

A field of Wild Rice once established makes a permanent feeding ground.

Best places for planting wild rice are in sloughs, marshy lakes or ponds; in bays or coves on larger lakes, streams or rivers where it will be protected from waves. Wild rice does the best in fresh waters from 6 inches to 3 feet deep where there is a mud bottom. Twenty-five pounds of seed plants one acre, broadcast.

Delivered Price—\$1.40 per pound; 10 lbs. \$12.00; 25 lbs. (bushel) \$28.00

## WAPATO DUCK POTATO

The Wapato Duck Potato is a very good Wild Duck Food. If the waters remain nearly the same level the year around, Mallards and other shallow water ducks will feed upon its tender shoots, tubers and seeds. In places where there is an overflow or the water deepens during Fall and Winter, Canvasbacks and other divers will feed upon Wapato.

Wapato propagates largely by tubers. The tubers planted this Spring will produce fully matured plants next Fall.

This plant is very hardy and will grow well in most any inland waters. It does the best in a fairly rich soil on damp lowlands, mud flats or in water from 1 inch to 1 foot in depth.

Delivered Price—\$35.00 per 1000 tubers; 500 @ \$18.00; 100 @ \$4.50

## BURREED

A food plant for marsh ducks. The seeds are like kernels of corn and are eagerly eaten by mallards and other shoal water ducks.

Burreed grows on damp lowlands or in shallow waters from 1 inch to 6 inches in depth.

Plant Burreed roots in Spring or early Summer. 1000 roots plant one acre.

Delivered Price—\$35.00 per 1000 roots; 500 @ \$18.00; 100 @ \$4.50

## MUSKGRASS

### RAPID GROWING DUCK FOOD

Widgeon, Gadwalls, Green and Blue Wing Teal, Bufflehead, Ruddy Duck, Mallards, and Bluebills like Muskgrass.

A few bushels of muskgrass planted this Spring will produce a few acres of food for the ducks next Fall.

This plant is also a valuable food and cover plant for fish.

Plants with seed spores can be planted this Spring or Summer in either fresh or alkali waters from 2 to 12 feet in depth on almost any bottom. Four bushels will plant an acre, broadcast.

Delivered Price—\$8.00 per bushel

## WILD CELERY

Canvasbacks, Redheads, Bluebills, Mallards and Blacks darken the sky over the wild celery beds. Wild celery is fully as important as wild rice as a duck food. Wild Celery is an important food and cover plant for fish.

The Wild Celery is a hardy submerged plant which will grow in almost any fresh waters from 2 to 8 feet in depth. It grows well in slow running streams, lakes or ponds.

Tubers of the wild celery should be planted during Spring.

Delivered Price—\$35.00 per 1000 tubers; 500 @ \$18.00; 100 @ \$4.00

Weights attached ready to plant—\$40.00 per 1000 tubers; 500 @ \$21.00; 100 @ \$5.00

## SAGO PONDWEED

### GOOD ALL AROUND DUCK FOOD

Early in the season Pondweeds bring Mallards and Teal, later the Canvasbacks and other divers. They are hardy and will grow under almost any water conditions.

The most important food plant of the Pondweed family is the Sago Pondweed, a submerged plant and perennial. When once established in your waters insures a permanent feeding ground.

Pondweeds are very highly recommended as food and cover plants for bass, and other game fish.

Tubers of these plants should be planted this Spring in waters from 1 to 6 feet in depth on almost any bottom, either fresh, stagnant, alkali or brackish waters.

Delivered Price—\$35.00 per 1000 tubers; 500 @ \$18.00; 100 @ \$4.50

Weights attached ready to plant—\$40.00 per 1000 tubers; 500 @ \$21.00; 100 @ \$5.00

## DEEP WATER DUCK POTATO

Another favorite food for all kinds of Wild Ducks. The diving ducks feed on it during Fall in the deeper waters. Shoal water ducks eat it if the waters are low during Fall. It is a rapid grower and produces abundantly of food. It has numerous nut-like tubers on its roots just beneath the bottom soils which the Wild Ducks glut themselves with.

Plant the tubers this Spring. A soft mud bottom is best and will produce a luxuriant growth next Fall. One thousand tubers plants one acre.

Delivered Price—\$35.00 per 1000 tubers; 500 @ \$18.00; 100 @ \$4.50

Weights attached ready to plant—\$40.00 per 1000 tubers; 500 @ \$21.00; 100 @ \$5.00

## HARD STEM BULRUSH

The Hard Stem Bulrush is excellent for Wild Ducks, it provides food and cover. It is the most important of Round Stem Bulrushes as a wild duck food. Also ideal for borders of fish ponds, providing good cover for game fish.

This species of bulrush is very hardy, it will grow in either wet soils or shallow waters to three feet in depth. It thrives in either a sandy or a rich mud bottom, from the Gulf of Mexico to Hudson Bay. Either fresh, acid, alkaline or brackish waters are suitable.

Delivered Price—\$45.00 per 1000 roots; 500 @ \$23.00; 100 @ \$5.50

## WILD (JAP) MILLET

Called Wild Duck Millet or Goose Grass, ranks almost as high as Wild Rice as a Wild Duck Coaxer. It is fine for planting along banks or on wet soils, excellent for places dry in Summer and flooded in duck season. Grows 2 to 4 feet high and produces a large seed head, abundance of food. Thirty pounds plants an acre, broadcast.

Delivered Price—\$.40 per pound; 25 lbs. \$7.50; 50 lbs. \$14.00; 100 lbs. \$26. 100 lb. lots via freight.

## WAMPEE DUCK CORN

The seeds shell off the stalk in late Fall and will hold the Mallards and other marsh ducks after many other foods are gone.

Wampee seed may be planted this Spring in wet soils or shallow waters. Ten pounds will plant an acre, broadcast.

Delivered Price—\$1.50 per pound; 5 lbs. \$7.00

## AMERICAN LOTUS

The beautiful American Lotus has acorn-like seeds which are eaten by Mallards and other wild ducks.

The flowers of the American Lotus are very beautiful, of a light yellow color often eight inches across. They are hardy and grow in quiet shallow waters where the bottom soil is fairly rich.

Ten pounds will plant one acre, broadcast.

Delivered Price—\$1.50 per pound; 5 lbs. \$7.00

## THREE SQUARE RUSH

Of about 150 different kinds of rushes, the Three Square Rush is the most important as a wild duck food. It produces a sizable cluster of meaty seeds which wild ducks are fond of. In sandy soils or rich soils that are just moist or shallow waters it grows best. Roots are planted during Spring.

Delivered Price—\$39.00 per 1000 roots; 500 @ \$20.00; 100 @ \$5.50

## NODDING SMARTWEED

A favorite of the Marsh Ducks, they feed upon the seeds. It's very hardy and will thrive from the far north to the deep south. Smartweed will grow in either wet soils or shallow waters. Root sections can be planted NOW. 1,000 roots will plant an acre.

Delivered Price—\$31.00 per 1000 roots; 500 @ \$16.00; 100 @ \$4.00

## WHITE WATERLILY

An excellent food and cover plant for fish. White Waterlilies are very ornamental and will beautify the waters.

Delivered Price—\$8.00 per 100 White Waterlily tubers; \$16.00 per 100 White Waterlily rootstocks; \$3.00 for 10 White Waterlily rootstocks

NOTE—250 roots or tubers of any kind will be sold at one-half of the 500 price.

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**MORE FOOD, MORE DUCKS, MORE SPORT** — Please ship the quantity listed.

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----- **WAPATO DUCK POTATO TUBERS**—100 @ \$4.50 or 1000 @ \$35.00 ..... -----

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----- **HARD STEM BULRUSH ROOTS**—100 @ \$5.50 or 1000 @ \$45.00 ..... -----

-----Lbs. **WAMPEE DUCK CORN SEED** (Until May 1st)—@ \$1.50 per Lb., 5 Lbs. \$7.00 .. -----

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## FOR ONE FOOT OR MORE OF WATER, PREFERABLY LESS THAN SIX FEET

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----- **WILD CELERY TUBERS**—100 @ \$4.00 or 1000 @ \$35.00 ..... -----

----- **SAGO PONDWEED TUBERS**—100 @ \$4.50 or 1000 @ \$35.00 ..... -----

----- **DEEP WATER DUCK POTATO TUBERS**—100 @ \$4.50 or 1000 @ \$35.00 ..... -----

-----Lbs. **AMERICAN LOTUS WATERLILY SEED**—@ \$1.50 per Lb., 5 Lbs. \$7.00 ..... -----

----- **WHITE WATERLILY TUBERS**—100 @ \$8.00 — Rootstocks—100 @ \$16.00 ..... -----

-----Bu. **MUSKGRASS WITH SEED SPORES**—@ \$8.00 per Bushel ..... -----

## FOR STRONG ALKALINE, BRACKISH OR SALT WATERS

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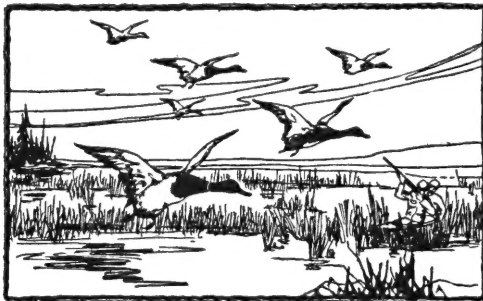
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— **THIS FALL.**



**Wild Ducks are gluttons for food....  
Provide that food and they will find it.**