

VIREOS

- White-eyed Vireo M-u; S-loc
- Yellow-throated Vireo S; M-u
- Blue-headed Vireo M; S
- Warbling Vireo M-r
- Philadelphia Vireo M-r
- Red-eyed Vireo M, S

JAYS AND CROWS

- Blue Jay P
- American Crow P
- Common Raven P

SWALLOWS AND MARTINS

- Purple Martin M, S-r
- Tree Swallow M, S
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow M,S
- Barn Swallow M, S
- Cliff Swallow M-r; S-r

CHICKADEES AND TITMICE

- Tufted Titmouse P
- Carolina Chickadee P
- Black-capped Chickadee M-x; W-x

NUTHATCHES

- Red-breasted Nuthatch M; W-irr
- White-breasted Nuthatch P

CREEPERS

- Brown Creeper M, W-u

WRENS

- Carolina Wren P
- House Wren M, S-x
- Winter Wren M; W-u
- Sedge Wren M-x
- Marsh Wren M-x

KINGLETS

- Golden-crowned Kinglet M, W
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet M; W-u

GNATCATCHERS

- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher M, S

THRUSHES

- Eastern Bluebird M, S; W-u
- Veery M-r
- Gray-cheeked Thrush M-r
- Swainson's Thrush M
- Hermit Thrush M; W-u

- Wood Thrush M, S
- American Robin P

MIMIDS

- Gray Catbird M, S
- Northern Mockingbird M; S-r; W-r
- Brown Thrasher M, S; W-r

STARLINGS

- European Starling P

WAXWINGS

- Cedar Waxwing M; P-irr

WOOD WARBLERS

- Blue-winged Warbler M-u; S-loc
- Golden-winged Warbler M-r; S-x
- Tennessee Warbler M
- Orange-crowned Warbler M-r
- Nashville Warbler M-u
- Northern Parula M; S
- Yellow Warbler M, S-loc
- Chestnut-sided Warbler M
- Magnolia Warbler M
- Cape May Warbler M-u
- Black-throated Blue Warbler M-u
- Yellow Rumped Warbler M; W
- Black-throated Green Warbler M; S
- Blackburnian Warbler M-u
- Yellow-throated Warbler M; S
- Pine Warbler M-u; S-loc
- Kirtland's Warbler M-x
- Prairie Warbler M-r; S-x
- Palm Warbler M
- Bay-breasted Warbler M-u
- Blackpoll Warbler M-u
- Cerulean Warbler M-u; S-u
- Black-and-White Warbler M; S
- American Redstart M; S
- Prothonotary Warbler M; S-x
- Worm-eating Warbler M; S
- Ovenbird M, S
- Northern Waterthrush M
- Louisiana Waterthrush M; S
- Kentucky Warbler M-u; S-loc
- Connecticut Warbler M-r
- Mourning Warbler M-r
- Common Yellowthroat M, S-u
- Hooded Warbler M; S
- Wilson's Warbler M-r
- Canada Warbler M-r
- Yellow-breasted Chat M; S-loc
- Swainson's Warbler M-r; S-loc

TANAGERS

- Summer Tanager M-r; S-r
- Scarlet Tanager M; S

AMERICAN SPARROWS

- Eastern Towhee M, S
- American Tree Sparrow W-x
- Chipping Sparrow M, S; W-r
- Field Sparrow M, S-r; W-r
- Vesper Sparrow M-r
- Savannah Sparrow M-r
- Grasshopper Sparrow M-r
- Henslow's Sparrow M-r
- Le Conte's Sparrow M-x
- Fox Sparrow M; W-u
- Song Sparrow P
- Lincoln's Sparrow M; W-r
- Swamp Sparrow M; W-r
- White-throated Sparrow M, W
- White-crowned Sparrow M-r
- Dark-eyed Junco M, W

NOTES

Field Checklist of Birds Breaks Interstate Park



DATE _____ TIME _____

WEATHER _____

OBSERVERS _____

This region of Southwest Virginia/Eastern Kentucky is best known for its nesting birds, especially the Wood Warblers and Vireos. Scarlet Tanagers, Wood Thrushes, Cuckoos (both yellow and black-billed) as well as several Flycatcher species are also regular breeding birds found in this region. Spring and Fall migration also provide good opportunities for birders to see many other species as they move through our forests. This checklist includes birds occurring regularly in this region, with a brief note of their status.

Seasonal Status:

- S -- summer resident
- W -- winter resident
- M -- migrant
- P -- present at all seasons (may include migratory populations moving through)

Abundance Status:

- u -- uncommon. Regular, but not expected every day, even in prime habitat and season.
- r -- rare. Occurs in very small numbers, and might not be found every year.
- x -- very rare. Found in this area and season only a few times per decade.
- loc -- local. Found regularly in only a very small part of this area.
- irr -- irregular. Numbers variable from year to year. Might be common or nearly absent.

CARDINALS AND RELATED BIRDS

____ Northern Cardinal P
 ____ Rose-breasted Grosbeak M
 ____ Blue Grosbeak M-x
 ____ Indigo Bunting M, S

BLACKBIRDS

____ Bobolink M-x
 ____ Red-winged Blackbird P
 ____ Eastern Meadowlark M-r
 ____ Rusty Blackbird M; W-u
 ____ Common Grackle M, S; W-u
 ____ Brown-headed Cowbird M, S; W-u
 ____ Orchard Oriole S; M-u
 ____ Baltimore Oriole M-u; S-r

FINCHES

____ Purple Finch M; W-irr
 ____ House Finch P
 ____ Pine Siskin M-irr; W-irr
 ____ American Goldfinch P
 ____ Evening Grosbeak W-x

GEESE, SWANS, AND DUCKS

____ Canada Goose M-r
 ____ Wood Duck S, M; W-u
 ____ Gadwall M-r
 ____ American Wigeon M-r
 ____ American Black Duck M-r
 ____ Mallard M; S-r; W-r
 ____ Blue-winged Teal M-r
 ____ Northern Shoveler M-r
 ____ Northern Pintail M-x
 ____ Northern Pintail M-x
 ____ Green-winged Teal M-r
 ____ Canvasback M-r
 ____ Redhead M-r
 ____ Ring-necked Duck M-u
 ____ Greater Scaup M-x
 ____ Lesser Scaup M-r
 ____ Bufflehead M-r
 ____ Common Goldeneye M-x
 ____ Hooded Merganser M-u
 ____ Red-breasted Merganser M-x
 ____ Ruddy Duck M-x

GROUSE, PHEASANTS, AND TURKEYS

____ Wild Turkey P-loc
 ____ Ruffed Grouse P-loc

LOONS

____ Common Loon M; W-r

GREBES

____ Pied-billed Grebe M; W-u
 ____ Horned Grebe M-x

CORMORANTS

____ Double-crested Cormorant M-x

HERONS, EGRETS, AND BITTERNS

____ American Bittern M-x
 ____ Least Bittern M-x
 ____ Great Blue Heron S, M; W-u
 ____ Great Egret M-x
 ____ Green Heron S-u; M-u

NEW WORLD VULTURES

____ Black Vulture M-u; S-u
 ____ Turkey Vulture M, S; W-r

HAWKS AND EAGLES

____ Osprey M; S-r
 ____ Bald Eagle M-r
 ____ Northern Harrier M-r; W-r
 ____ Sharp-shinned Hawk M; W-u; S-u
 ____ Cooper's Hawk M; W-u; S-u
 ____ Northern Goshawk M-x
 ____ Red-shouldered Hawk P
 ____ Broad-winged Hawk M; S
 ____ Red-tailed Hawk P
 ____ Rough-legged Hawk M-x
 ____ Golden Eagle M-x; W-x

FALCONS

____ American Kestrel M-u
 ____ Merlin M-r
 ____ Peregrine Falcon M-r

RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS

____ Sora M-X
 ____ American Coot M; W-r

PLOVERS

____ Killdeer M-r; W-x

SANDPIPERS AND PHALAROPES

____ Spotted Sandpiper M; S-u
 ____ Solitary Sandpiper M-x
 ____ Wilson's Snipe M
 ____ American Woodcock M, S-r

GULLS AND TERNS

____ Bonaparte's Gull W-x
 ____ Ring-billed Gull W-x

PIGEONS AND DOVES

____ Mourning Dove P
 ____ Rock Pigeon P-r

CUCKOOS

____ Yellow-billed Cuckoo M, S
 ____ Black-billed Cuckoo M-r; S-r

TYPICAL OWLS

____ Eastern Screech-Owl P
 ____ Great Horned Owl W-x
 ____ Barred Owl P

NIGHTJARS

____ Whip-poor-will M-u; S-loc
 ____ Common Nighthawk M-u

SWIFTS

____ Chimney Swift M, S

HUMMINGBIRDS

____ Ruby-throated Hummingbird M, S

KINGFISHERS

____ Belted Kingfisher P-loc

WOODPECKERS

____ Red-headed Woodpecker M-r
 ____ Red-bellied Woodpecker P
 ____ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker M; W-u
 ____ Downy Woodpecker P
 ____ Hairy Woodpecker P-u
 ____ Northern Flicker P
 ____ Pileated Woodpecker P

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

____ Olive-sided Flycatcher M-x
 ____ Eastern Wood-Pewee M, S
 ____ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher M-r
 ____ Acadian Flycatcher S, M
 ____ Alder Flycatcher M-r
 ____ Willow Flycatcher M-r
 ____ Least Flycatcher M; S-x
 ____ Eastern Phoebe M, S
 ____ Great Crested Flycatcher M, S
 ____ Eastern Kingbird M, S-r

SHRIKES

____ Loggerhead Shrike M-x



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