Birds of Banning State Park	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi
❑ Red-breasted Nuthatch	U	O	U	O
❑ White-breasted Nuthatch	U	U	U	U
❑ Brown Creeper	U	O	U	
❑ House Wren	C	C	C	
❑ Winter Wren	O	O	O	
❑ Sedge Wren	O	O	O	
❑ Golden-crowned Kinglet	C		C	
❑ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	C		C	
❑ Eastern Bluebird	U	U	U	
❑ Veery	C	C	U	
❑ Gray-cheeked Thrush	U		U	
❑ Swainson's Thrush	U		U	
❑ Hermit Thrush	C	C	C	
❑ Wood Thrush	O	O		
❑ American Robin	C	C	C	
❑ Gray Catbird	C	C	C	
❑ Brown Thrasher	U	U	U	
❑ European Starling	U	U	U	U
❑ Cedar Waxwing	C	C	C	U
❑ Golden-winged Warbler	O	O	O	
❑ Tennessee Warbler	C	R	C	
❑ Orange-crowned Warbler	U		U	
❑ Nashville Warbler	C	U	C	
❑ Northern Parula	U		U	
❑ Yellow Warbler	C	C	C	
❑ Chestnut-sided Warbler	C	U	C	
❑ Magnolia Warbler	U		U	
❑ Yellow-rumped Warbler	C	C	C	
❑ Black-throated Green Warbler	U		U	
❑ Pine Warbler	U		U	
❑ Palm Warbler	C		C	
❑ Bay-breasted Warbler	U		U	
❑ Black-and-white Warbler	C	C	C	
❑ American Redstart	C	C	C	
❑ Ovenbird	C	C	C	
❑ Northern Waterthrush	U	O	U	
❑ Louisiana Waterthrush		R		
❑ Mourning Warbler	U	U	U	
❑ Common Yellowthroat	C	C	C	

Birds of Banning State Park	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi
❑ Wilson's Warbler	U		U	
❑ Canada Warbler	U	U	U	
❑ Scarlet Tanager	U	U	U	
❑ Eastern Towhee	O	O	O	
❑ American Tree Sparrow	C		C	U
❑ Chipping Sparrow	C	C	C	
❑ Clay-colored Sparrow	C	C	C	
❑ Savannah Sparrow	C	C	C	
❑ LeConte's Sparrow	O		O	
❑ Fox Sparrow	U		U	
❑ Song Sparrow	C	C	C	
❑ Lincoln's Sparrow	U	O	U	
❑ Swamp Sparrow	C	C	C	
❑ White-throated Sparrow	C	U	C	
❑ Harris's Sparrow	U		U	
❑ White-crowned Sparrow	U		U	
❑ Dark-eyed Junco	C		C	U
❑ Northern Cardinal	O			
❑ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	C	C	C	
❑ Indigo Bunting	U	U	U	
❑ Bobolink	U		U	
❑ Red-winged Blackbird	C	C	C	
❑ Eastern Meadowlark	O		O	
❑ Rusty Blackbird	U		U	
❑ Common Grackle	C	C	C	
❑ Brown-headed Cowbird	C	C	U	
❑ Baltimore Oriole	C	C	C	
❑ Pine Grosbeak				O
❑ Purple Finch	C	O	C	U
❑ House Finch	O		O	O
❑ Pine Siskin	U	O	U	U
❑ American Goldfinch	C	C	C	O
❑ House Sparrow	C	C	C	C

December 2004

BANNING STATE PARK

BIRD ✓ Checklist

Date:_____

Weather:_____

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Observers:_____

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Notes:_____

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Birding Opportunities at Banning State Park

With over 6,000 acres, the scenic Kettle River and many miles of wooded hiking trails make this park an excellent place to view migrant and nesting birds. The Skunk Cabbage Trail is especially good for ruffed grouse, migrant thrushes, warblers and vireos. In addition to brushy woodland habitat, this trail also encounters several backwaters of the Kettle River. Along the eastern edge of the park, there are open grassy areas where sandhill cranes and migrant LeConte's sparrows have been recorded.

Season and Abundance Key

The ***seasons*** in the checklist are defined as follows:

Sp (Spring) = March, April, May
Su (Summer) = June, July
Fa (Fall) = August, September, October, November
Wi (Winter) = December, January, February

Abundance codes are defined as follows:

C = Common — present, relatively easy to find
U = Uncommon — observed, may be difficult to find
O = Occasional — may or may not be present in any year
R = Rare — has occurred at least once, may or may not be expected to recur

The names and taxonomic arrangement of species follows that of the Checklist of the Birds of Minnesota (January, 2001), prepared by the Minnesota Ornithological Records Committee.

This checklist contains the names of all birds that have been documented in the park by reliable observers. It was constructed by Robert B. Janssen and the MN DNR-Division of Parks & Recreation using observations of Mr. Janssen, park staff and other observers, as well as Minnesota Ornithologist's Union records and data contained in research reports. If you are interested in the specific sources used for a particular park, contact the Parks Division Resource Management Program Coordinator by telephone at 651-297-1158 or by mail at MNDNR-Parks, 500 Lafayette Road, Box 39 St. Paul, MN 55155-4039.

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Birds of Banning State Park	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi
❑ Canada Goose	C	C	C	
❑ Wood Duck	C	C	C	
❑ Mallard	C	C	C	
❑ Blue-winged Teal	C	C	C	
❑ Green-winged Teal	U		U	
❑ Canvasback			R	
❑ Ring-necked Duck	U		U	
❑ Greater Scaup	O			
❑ Lesser Scaup	U		U	
❑ Bufflehead	U		U	
❑ Common Goldeneye	U		U	
❑ Hooded Merganser	C	U	C	
❑ Common Merganser	U		U	
❑ Ruffed Grouse	C	C	C	C
❑ Wild Turkey	O	O	O	O
❑ Pied-billed Grebe	C	C	C	
❑ Horned Grebe	O		O	
❑ Double-crested Cormorant	U		U	
❑ Great Blue Heron	U	U	U	
❑ Green Heron	U	U	U	
❑ Turkey Vulture	U	U	U	
❑ Osprey	U		U	
❑ Bald Eagle	U	U	U	O
❑ Northern Harrier	U	U	U	
❑ Sharp-shinned Hawk	U		U	
❑ Cooper's Hawk	U	U	U	
❑ Northern Goshawk	O		O	O
❑ Red-shouldered Hawk	O			
❑ Broad-winged Hawk	C	C	C	
❑ Red-tailed Hawk	C	C	C	O
❑ Rough-legged Hawk	U		U	O
❑ American Kestrel	C	C	C	
❑ Merlin	O			
❑ Sora	O			
❑ Sandhill Crane	O		O	
❑ Killdeer	C	C	C	
❑ Greater Yellowlegs	O		O	
❑ Lesser Yellowlegs	O		O	
❑ Solitary Sandpiper	O		O	

Birds of Banning State Park	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi
❑ Spotted Sandpiper	C	C	C	
❑ Wilson's Snipe	U	U	U	
❑ Ring-billed Gull	U		U	
❑ Rock Pigeon	U	U	U	U
❑ Mourning Dove	C	C	C	
❑ Northern Saw-whet Owl	O	O		
❑ Common Nighthawk	O	O	O	
❑ Chimney Swift	U	U	U	
❑ Belted Kingfisher	U	U	U	
❑ Red-bellied Woodpecker	O	O	O	O
❑ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	U	U	U	
❑ Downy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
❑ Hairy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
❑ Black-backed Woodpecker	O	O	O	O
❑ Northern Flicker	C	C	C	
❑ Pileated Woodpecker	U	U	U	U
❑ Olive-sided Flycatcher	U		U	
❑ Eastern Wood-Pewee	C	C	C	
❑ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	U		U	
❑ Alder Flycatcher	U	U	U	
❑ Least Flycatcher	C	C	C	
❑ Eastern Phoebe	C	C	C	
❑ Great Crested Flycatcher	U	U	U	
❑ Eastern Kingbird	U	U	U	
❑ Northern Shrike	O		O	O
❑ White-eyed Vireo		R		
❑ Yellow-throated Vireo	U	U	U	
❑ Blue-headed Vireo	U		U	
❑ Warbling Vireo	U	U	U	
❑ Red-eyed Vireo	C	C	C	
❑ Blue Jay	C	C	C	C
❑ American Crow	C	C	C	C
❑ Common Raven	U		U	U
❑ Tree Swallow	C	C	C	
❑ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	U	U	U	
❑ Bank Swallow	O	O	O	
❑ Cliff Swallow	C	C	C	
❑ Barn Swallow	C	C	C	
❑ Black-capped Chickadee	C	C	C	C