

STATE PARK BIRDS	Sp	S	F	W	DATE
<b>WAXWINGS</b>					
Cedar Waxwing	C	C	C	U	
<b>PIPITS</b>					
American Pipit	U		U		
<b>FINCHES</b>					
Evening Grosbeak	O		O	O	
Pine Grosbeak	U		U	U	
Purple Finch	C	O	C	U	
Common Redpoll	U		U	U	
Hoary Redpoll	R			R	
White-winged Crossbill	O	O	O	O	
Pine Siskin	U	O	U	U	
American Goldfinch	C	C	C		
<b>LONGSPURS, SNOW BUNTINGS</b>					
Lapland Longspur	U		U		
Snow Bunting			C		
<b>TOWHEES, SPARROWS</b>					
Chipping Sparrow	C	C	C		
Clay-colored Sparrow	U	U	U		
Fox Sparrow	U		U		
American Tree Sparrow	C		C		
Dark-eyed Junco	C	U	C	O	
White-crowned Sparrow	U		U		
Harris's Sparrow	U		U		
White-throated Sparrow	C	C	C		
Vesper Sparrow	U	U	U		
Savannah Sparrow	U	U	U		
Song Sparrow	C	C	C		
Swamp Sparrow	C	C	C		
<b>BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES</b>					
Bobolink	O		O		
Red-winged Blackbird	U	U	U		
Common Grackle	U	U	U		

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<b>WARBLERS</b>					
Ovenbird	C	C	C		
Northern Waterthrush	U	U	U		
Golden-winged Warbler	O		O		
Black-and-white Warbler	C	C	C		
Tennessee Warbler	U	O	U		
Orange-crowned Warbler	U		U		
Nashville Warbler	C	C	C		
Mourning Warbler	C	C	C		
Common Yellowthroat	C	C	C		
American Redstart	C	C	C		
Cape May Warbler	U	O	U		
Northern Parula	U	U	U		
Magnolia Warbler	C	C	C		
Bay-breasted Warbler	U		U		
Blackburnian Warbler	U	U	U		
Yellow Warbler	U	O	U		
Chestnut-sided Warbler	C	C	C		
Black-throated Blue Warbler	U	U	U		
Palm Warbler	U		U		
Yellow-rumped Warbler	C	C	C		
Black-throated Green Warbler	C	C	C		
Canada Warbler	U	U	U		
Wilson's Warbler	U		U		
<b>TANAGERS, CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS</b>					
Scarlet Tanager	U	U	U		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	C	C	C		
Indigo Bunting	U	U	U		

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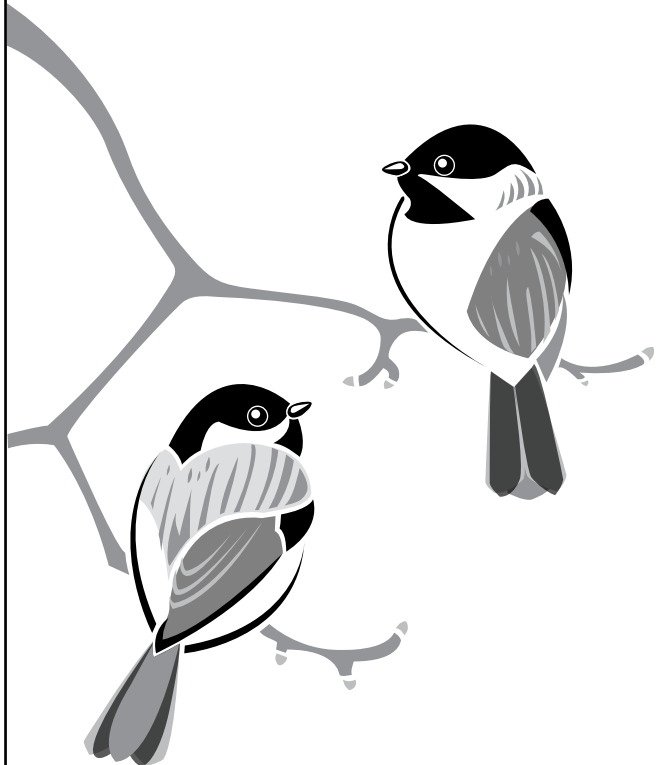
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# BIRD CHECKLIST

## GEORGE H. CROSBY-MANITOU STATE PARK



## Birding at George H. Crosby-Manitou State Park

George H. Crosby-Manitou State Park is a wilderness park of over 6,000 acres along the Manitou River. Its diverse forest attracts a wide variety of birds. Twenty-three species of warblers have been recorded in the park. Nashville, black-throated green, Canada, magnolia, mourning, blackburnian and northern parula warblers are well represented. Black-throated blue warblers sing and breed here. Lakes in the park offer habitat for common loons and a number of duck species. During October, large flocks of snow buntings mixed with a few Lapland longspurs and American pipits occur along the gravel road through the park.

### Key

#### Occurrence

**Sp** - Spring (Mar—May)

**S** - Summer (Jun—Jul)

**F** - Fall (Aug—Nov)

**W** - Winter (Dec—Feb)

#### Abundance

**C** - Common (Present, relatively easy to find)

**U** - Uncommon (Present, not certain to be seen)

**O** - Occasional (Infrequent, may not return each year)

**R** - Rare (Observed at least once, may not return)

**Date:** Enter the date you saw the bird.

## Bird Identification Tips

When you observe a bird, make note of at least three characteristics.

**Location:** Where did you see the bird? (water, forest, feeder, lower branch, tree trunk, etc.)

**Body size and shape:** Compare to a known bird. (smaller than a...bigger than a...plump like a...slender like a...) Look at tail, legs and bill. (long, short, thick, thin, curved, straight)

**Colors and markings:** Look on wings, tail, back, belly, rump and head. (stripe above eye, white spot on tail, etc.)

**Sounds and movements:** How do they act and sound? (travel alone or in groups, in-flight wing position - soaring, flapping, flap and glide, etc.)

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<b>GEESE, SWANS, DUCKS</b>					
Canada Goose	U		U		
Wood Duck	U	U	U		
Blue-winged Teal	U	O	U		
Mallard	U		U		
Green-winged Teal	U		U		
Ring-necked Duck	U	U	U		
Lesser Scaup	U		U		
Bufflehead	U		U		
Common Goldeneye	U	U	U		
Hooded Merganser	U		U		
Common Merganser	U	U	U		
<b>PARTRIDGE, PHEASANTS, GROUSE, TURKEYS</b>					
Ruffed Grouse	C	C	C	C	
<b>GREBES</b>					
Pied-billed Grebe	U		U		
<b>CUCKOOS</b>					
Black-billed Cuckoo	U	U	U		
<b>NIGHTJARS</b>					
Eastern Whip-poor-will	U	U	U		
<b>HUMMINGBIRDS</b>					
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	C	C	C		
<b>RAILS, GALLINULES, COOTS</b>					
American Coot	U		U		
<b>SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES</b>					
American Woodcock	U	U	U		
Spotted Sandpiper	C	C	C		
Solitary Sandpiper	U	U	U		
Lesser Yellowlegs	U		U		
<b>GULLS, TERNS</b>					
Ring-billed Gull	U	U	U		
Herring Gull	O	O	O		
<b>LOONS</b>					
Common Loon	C	C	C		
<b>CORMORANTS</b>					
Double-crested Cormorant	U		U		
<b>BITTERNS, HERONS, EGRETS, NIGHT-HERONS</b>					
Great Blue Heron	U	U	U		

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<b>NEW WORLD VULTURES</b>					
Turkey Vulture	U	U	U		
<b>OSPREY</b>					
Osprey	U	U	U		
<b>KITES, HAWKS, EAGLES</b>					
Sharp-shinned Hawk	U		U		
Cooper's Hawk	U		U		
Northern Goshawk	O		O		
Bald Eagle	U	U	U	U	
Broad-winged Hawk	U	U	C		
Red-tailed Hawk	U	U	U		
Rough-legged Hawk	U		U	O	
<b>TYPICAL OWLS</b>					
Barred Owl	O	O	O		
Great Gray Owl				R	
<b>KINGFISHERS</b>					
Belted Kingfisher	C	C	C		
<b>WOODPECKERS</b>					
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	C	C	C		
Black-backed Woodpecker	R	R	R	O	
Downy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C	
Hairy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C	
Northern Flicker	C	C	C		
Pileated Woodpecker	U	U	U	U	
<b>FALCONS</b>					
American Kestrel	U	U	U		
Merlin	U	U			
<b>FLYCATCHERS</b>					
Great Crested Flycatcher	O	O	O		
Eastern Kingbird	U	U	U		
Olive-sided Flycatcher	U	U	U		
Eastern Wood-Pewee	C	C	C		
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	U	O	U		
Alder Flycatcher	C	C	C		
Least Flycatcher	C	C	C		
Eastern Phoebe	C	C	C		
<b>SHRIKES</b>					
Northern Shrike			O	O	

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<b>VIREOS</b>					
Blue-headed Vireo	U	U	U		
Philadelphia Vireo	U	O	U		
Red-eyed Vireo	C	C	C		
<b>JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS, RAVENS</b>					
Gray Jay	U	U	U	U	
Blue Jay	C	C	C	C	
American Crow	C	C	C	U	
Common Raven	C	C	C	C	
<b>MARTINS, SWALLOWS</b>					
Tree Swallow	U	U	U		
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	O	O	O		
Barn Swallow	U	U	U		
<b>CHICKADEES, TITMICE</b>					
Black-capped Chickadee	C	C	C	C	
Boreal Chickadee	O	O	O	O	
<b>NUTHATCHES</b>					
Red-breasted Nuthatch	C	C	C	C	
White-breasted Nuthatch	O	O	O		
<b>CREEPERS</b>					
Brown Creeper	U	U	U		
<b>WRENS</b>					
House Wren	O	O	O		
Winter Wren	U	U	U		
Sedge Wren	U	U	U		
<b>KINGLETS</b>					
Golden-crowned Kinglet	C	U	C		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	C	U	C		
<b>THRUSHES</b>					
Eastern Bluebird	O	O	O		
Veery	C	C	U		
Swainson's Thrush	U	U	U		
Hermit Thrush	C	C	C		
Wood Thrush	U	U	U		
American Robin	C	C	C		
<b>THRASHERS, MOCKINGBIRDS</b>					
Gray Catbird	U	U	U		