

| Birds of McCarthy Beach State Park | Sp | Su | Fa | Wi |
|---|----|----|----|----|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hermit Thrush | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Robin | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> European Starling | U | U | U | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing | C | C | C | C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golden-winged Warbler | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Warbler | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Orange-crowned Warbler | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nashville Warbler | C | U | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Parula | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Warbler | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chestnut-sided Warbler | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Magnolia warbler | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cape May Warbler | O | O | O | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Green Warbler | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blackburnian Warbler | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pine Warbler | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Palm Warbler | C | | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bay-breasted Warbler | U | O | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blackpoll Warbler | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-white Warbler | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Redstart | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ovenbird | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Waterthrush | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Warbler | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canada Warbler | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scarlet Tanager | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Tree Sparrow | C | | C | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chipping Sparrow | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fox Sparrow | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln's Sparrow | U | | U | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Swamp Sparrow | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White-throated Sparrow | C | U | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White-crowned Sparrow | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dark-eyed Junco | C | | C | O |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rose-breasted Grosbeak | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Grackle | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Purple Finch | U | U | U | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> House Finch | U | U | U | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Crossbill | O | O | O | O |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Redpoll | | | O | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pine Siskin | U | | U | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Goldfinch | C | C | C | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evening Grosbeak | U | O | U | U |

McCARTHY BEACH STATE PARK

BIRD Checklist



Date: _____

Weather: _____

Observers: _____

Notes: _____



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Birding Opportunities at McCarthy Beach State Park

The wooded acreage of McCarthy Beach State Park provides excellent habitat for a wide range of song species. Over 20 species of warblers are present during spring and fall migration and the breeding season. The trails along County Road 501 give easy access to the park's woodlands for easy birding. The hermit thrush is common here. Red crossbill and evening grosbeak are often seen in the Beatrice Lake area. Sturgeon Lake is a good place for gulls, including ring-billed and herring and Bonaparte and Caspian tern. Common loon frequent the lake. Great gray owl are occasionally seen in the park in winter.

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, Jerry Bonkoski, and the MN DNR-Division of Parks & Recreation using observations of the above, 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 651-259-5594 or by mail at MN DNR-Parks, 500 Lafayette Road, Box 39, St. Paul, MN 55155-4039.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tundra Swan | O | | O | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mallard | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Scaup | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bufflehead | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Goldeneye | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hooded Merganser | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Merganser | O | | O | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ruffed Grouse | C | C | C | C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Loon | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed Grebe | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horned Grebe | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture | C | U | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Osprey | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged Hawk | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel | U | U | U | O |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merlin | O | O | O | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Snipe | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bonaparte's Gull | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Herring Gull | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caspian Tern | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Tern | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Great Gray Owl | | | O | O |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-throated Hummingbird | U | U | U | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Sapsucker | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker | C | C | C | C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker | C | C | C | C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black-backed Woodpecker | O | | O | O |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker | U | U | U | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Wood-Pewee | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Flycatcher | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alder Flycatcher | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Great Crested Flycatcher | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warbling Vireo | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia Vireo | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gray Jay | O | O | O | O |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue Jay | C | C | C | C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Crow | C | C | C | C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Raven | U | U | U | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow | C | C | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped Chickadee | C | C | C | C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Nuthatch | C | C | C | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White-breasted Nuthatch | C | C | C | U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brown Creeper | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Wren | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golden-crowned Kinglet | C | | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-crowned Kinglet | C | | C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Bluebird | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veery | U | U | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gray-cheeked Thrush | U | | U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Thrush | C | C | C | |