

STATE PARK BIRDS	Sp	S	F	W	DATE
THRUSHES					
Eastern Bluebird	C	C	C	O	
Veery	C	U	U		
Gray-cheeked Thrush	U		U		
Swainson's Thrush	U		U		
Hermit Thrush	C		C	R	
Wood Thrush	U	U	U		
American Robin	C	C	C	U	
THRASHERS, MOCKINGBIRDS					
Gray Catbird	C	C	C		
Brown Thrasher	C	C	C		
Northern Mockingbird	O		O		
STARLINGS					
European Starling	C	C	C	C	
WAXWINGS					
Cedar Waxwing	C	C	C	U	
OLD WORLD SPARROWS					
House Sparrow	C	C	C	C	
FINCHES					
House Finch	U	U	U	U	
Purple Finch	C		C	C	
Common Redpoll	O		O	O	
Pine Siskin	U		U	U	
American Goldfinch	C	C	C	C	
LONGSPURS, SNOW BUNTINGS					
Snow Bunting	U		O	U	
TOWHEES, SPARROWS					
Chipping Sparrow	C	C	C		
Clay-colored Sparrow	U	U	U		
Field Sparrow	U	U	U	R	
Fox Sparrow	C		C		
American Tree Sparrow	C		C	C	
Dark-eyed Junco	C		C	C	
White-crowned Sparrow	U		U		
Harris's Sparrow	U		U		
White-throated Sparrow	C		C		
Vesper Sparrow	C	C	C		
Savannah Sparrow	C	C	C		

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Song Sparrow	C	C	C	O	
Lincoln's Sparrow	U		U		
Swamp Sparrow	C	C	C	R	
Eastern Towhee	U	U	U	R	
BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES					
Bobolink	C	C	C		
Eastern Meadowlark	C	C	C	O	
Orchard Oriole	U	U			
Baltimore Oriole	C	C	C		
Red-winged Blackbird	C	C	C	O	
Brown-headed Cowbird	C	C	U	O	
Rusty Blackbird	C		C	O	
Common Grackle	C	C	C	O	
WARBLERS					
Ovenbird	C	C	C		
Louisiana Waterthrush	U	U	O		
Northern Waterthrush	C		U		
Golden-winged Warbler	U		O		
Blue-winged Warbler	U	U	O		
Black-and-white Warbler	C		C		
Prothonotary Warbler	U	U	U		
Tennessee Warbler	C		C		
Orange-crowned Warbler	U		U		
Nashville Warbler	C		C		
Mourning Warbler	U		U		
Common Yellowthroat	C	C	C		
American Redstart	C	C	C		
Cape May Warbler	U		U		
Cerulean Warbler	U	U	O		
Northern Parula	U		U		
Magnolia Warbler	U		U		
Bay-breasted Warbler	U		U		
Blackburnian Warbler	U		U		
Yellow Warbler	C	C	C		
Chestnut-sided Warbler	C		C		
Blackpoll Warbler	U		U		
Palm Warbler	C		C		
Yellow-rumped Warbler	C		C	R	

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Black-throated Green Warbler	U		U		
Canada Warbler	U		U		
Wilson's Warbler	U		U		
TANAGERS, CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS					
Summer Tanager	O	O			
Scarlet Tanager	U	U	U		
Northern Cardinal	C	C	C	C	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	C	C	C		
Indigo Bunting	C	C	C		

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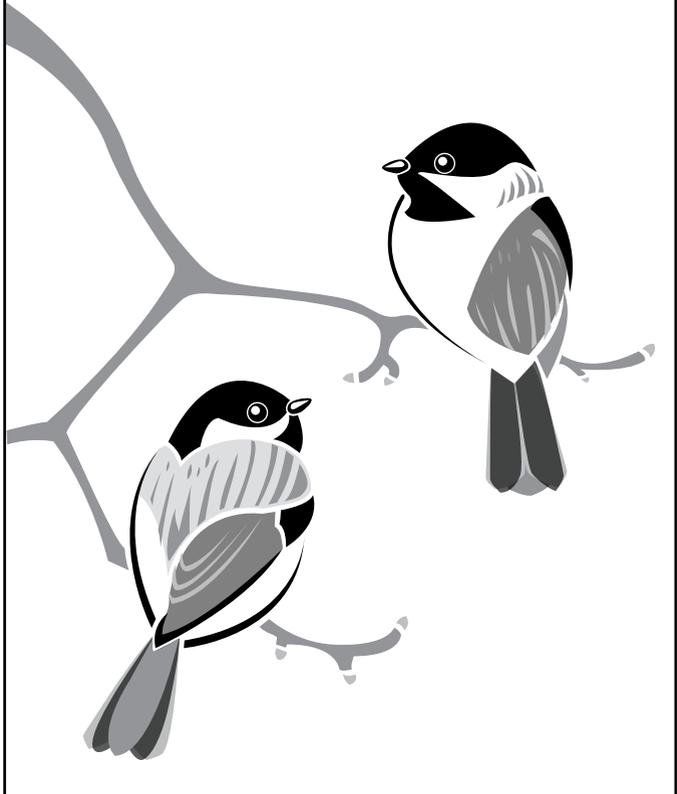
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BIRD CHECKLIST

BEAVER CREEK VALLEY STATE PARK



Birding at Beaver Creek Valley State Park

Beaver Creek provides some of the most desirable habitat in the state for the nesting Louisiana waterthrush and Acadian flycatcher. Both species are of special concern in Minnesota. The park's diverse landscape attracts warblers, vireos, thrushes, sparrows, flycatchers, wrens, tanagers and woodpeckers. The Beaver Creek Valley Trail travels along the heart of the valley and provides some of the best birding opportunities.

Listen closely during your visit, as barred and great horned owls are heard frequently.

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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GEESE, SWANS, DUCKS					
Canada Goose	C	C	C	O	
Tundra Swan	U		U		
Wood Duck	C	C	C		
Blue-winged Teal	C	C	C		
Mallard	C	C	C		
PARTRIDGE, PHEASANTS, GROUSE, TURKEYS					
Ring-necked Pheasant	C	C	C	C	
Ruffed Grouse	C	C	C	C	
Wild Turkey	C	C	C	C	
PIGEONS, DOVES					
Rock Pigeon	C	C	C	C	
Mourning Dove	C	C	C	O	
CUCKOOS					
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	U	U	U		
Black-billed Cuckoo	U	U	U		
NIGHTJARS					
Common Nighthawk	U	U	U		
Eastern Whip-poor-will	C	C			
SWIFTS					
Chimney Swift	C	C	C		
HUMMINGBIRDS					
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	C	O	C		
PLOVERS					
Killdeer	C	C	C	R	
SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES					
American Woodcock	U	U	U		
Wilson's Snipe	U	U	U	R	
Spotted Sandpiper	C	C	C		
Lesser Yellowlegs	O		O		
BITTERNS, HERONS, EGRETS, NIGHT-HERONS					
Great Blue Heron	C	C	C	R	
Green Heron	C	C	C		
NEW WORLD VULTURES					
Turkey Vulture	C	C	C		
OSPREY					
Osprey	U	U	U		

STATE PARK BIRDS	Sp	S	F	W	DATE
KITES, HAWKS, EAGLES					
Golden Eagle	O		O	O	
Northern Harrier	U	U	U	O	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	U		U	O	
Cooper's Hawk	U	U	U	O	
Bald Eagle	C	U	C	U	
Red-shouldered Hawk	U	U	U	O	
Broad-winged Hawk	U	U	U		
Red-tailed Hawk	C	C	C	U	
Rough-legged Hawk	U		U	U	
TYPICAL OWLS					
Eastern Screech Owl	U	U	U	U	
Great Horned Owl	U	U	U	U	
Barred Owl	U	U	U	U	
Northern Saw-whet Owl	O		O	O	
KINGFISHERS					
Belted Kingfisher	C	C	C	O	
WOODPECKERS					
Red-headed Woodpecker	U	U	U	O	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	C	C	C	C	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	C		C	R	
Downy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C	
Hairy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C	
Northern Flicker	C	C	C	O	
Pileated Woodpecker	U	U	U	U	
FALCONS					
American Kestrel	C	C	C	U	
FLYCATCHERS					
Great Crested Flycatcher	C	C	C		
Eastern Kingbird	C	C	C		
Olive-sided Flycatcher	U		U		
Eastern Wood-Pewee	C	C	C		
Acadian Flycatcher	U	U	O		
Alder Flycatcher	O		O		
Willow Flycatcher	U	U	U		
Least Flycatcher	C	C	C		
Eastern Phoebe	C	C	C		

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SHRIKES					
Northern Shrike	O		O	O	
VIREOS					
Yellow-throated Vireo	U	U	U		
Blue-headed Vireo	U		U		
Philadelphia Vireo	U		U		
Warbling Vireo	C	C	C		
Red-eyed Vireo	C	C	C		
JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS, RAVENS					
Blue Jay	C	C	C	C	
American Crow	C	C	C	C	
LARKS					
Horned Lark	C	U	C	U	
MARTINS, SWALLOWS					
Bank Swallow	C	C	C		
Tree Swallow	C	C	C		
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	C	C	C		
Purple Martin	U	U	U		
Barn Swallow	C	C	C		
CHICKADEES, TITMICE					
Black-capped Chickadee	C	C	C	C	
Tufted Titmouse	O	O	O	O	
NUTHATCHES					
Red-breasted Nuthatch	U		U	U	
White-breasted Nuthatch	C	C	C	C	
CREEPERS					
Brown Creeper	U		U	U	
WRENS					
House Wren	C	C	C		
Winter Wren	U	O	U	O	
GNATCATCHERS					
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	C	C	C		
KINGLETS					
Golden-crowned Kinglet	C		C	U	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	C		C		