

| STATE PARK BIRDS | Sp | S | F | W | DATE |
|--------------------------------|----|---|---|---|------|
| Cliff Swallow | 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 | O | U | U | |
| White-breasted Nuthatch | C | C | C | C | |
| CREEPERS | | | | | |
| Brown Creeper | C | O | C | U | |
| WRENS | | | | | |
| House Wren | C | C | C | | |
| Winter Wren | U | | U | | |
| Sedge Wren | C | C | U | | |
| Marsh Wren | U | U | U | | |
| GNATCATCHERS | | | | | |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher | C | C | C | | |
| KINGLETS | | | | | |
| Golden-crowned Kinglet | C | | C | O | |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet | C | R | C | | |
| THRUSHES | | | | | |
| Eastern Bluebird | C | C | C | U | |
| Veery | U | O | U | | |
| Gray-cheeked Thrush | U | | U | | |
| Swainson's Thrush | U | | U | | |
| Hermit Thrush | U | | U | | |
| Wood Thrush | U | U | U | | |
| American Robin | C | C | C | O | |
| THRASHERS, MOCKINGBIRDS | | | | | |
| Gray Catbird | C | C | C | | |
| Brown Thrasher | C | C | C | | |
| STARLINGS | | | | | |
| European Starling | C | C | C | C | |
| WAXWINGS | | | | | |
| Bohemian Waxwing | | | O | | |
| Cedar Waxwing | C | C | C | U | |
| OLD WORLD SPARROWS | | | | | |
| House Sparrow | C | C | C | C | |

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| PIPITS | | | | | |
| American Pipit | O | | U | | |
| FINCHES | | | | | |
| Evening Grosbeak | | | O | O | |
| House Finch | C | C | C | C | |
| Purple Finch | U | U | U | | |
| Common Redpoll | O | | O | O | |
| Hoary Redpoll | | | | O | |
| Red Crossbill | | | O | O | |
| White-winged Crossbill | | | O | O | |
| Pine Siskin | U | | U | U | |
| American Goldfinch | C | C | C | C | |
| LONGSPURS, SNOW BUNTINGS | | | | | |
| Lapland Longspur | U | | U | | |
| Snow Bunting | O | | U | U | |
| TOWHEES, SPARROWS | | | | | |
| Eastern Towhee | U | U | U | | |
| American Tree Sparrow | C | | C | C | |
| Chipping Sparrow | C | C | C | | |
| Clay-colored Sparrow | U | U | U | | |
| Field Sparrow | C | C | C | | |
| Vesper Sparrow | C | C | C | | |
| Lark Sparrow | O | U | | | |
| Savannah Sparrow | C | C | C | | |
| Grasshopper Sparrow | U | U | O | | |
| Henslow's Sparrow | U | U | O | | |
| Fox Sparrow | C | | C | | |
| Song Sparrow | C | C | C | | |
| Lincoln's Sparrow | U | | U | | |
| Swamp Sparrow | C | C | C | | |
| White-throated Sparrow | C | | C | | |
| Harris's Sparrow | U | | U | | |
| White-crowned Sparrow | U | | U | | |
| Dark-eyed Junco | C | C | C | | |
| CHATS | | | | | |
| Yellow-breasted Chat | R | R | | | |
| BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES | | | | | |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird | U | U | U | | |

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| Bobolink | C | C | C | | |
| Pine Warbler | U | | U | | |
| Eastern Meadowlark | C | C | C | O | |
| Western Meadowlark | U | U | U | O | |
| Orchard Oriole | U | 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 | | |
| Brewer's Blackbird | U | O | U | | |
| Common Grackle | C | C | C | O | |
| WARBLED, CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS | | | | | |
| Scarlet Tanager | U | U | U | | |
| Northern Cardinal | C | C | C | C | |
| Rose-breasted Grosbeak | C | C | C | | |
| Indigo Bunting | C | C | C | | |
| Dickcissel | O | O | O | | |
| WARBLED | | | | | |
| Ovenbird | C | C | C | | |
| Louisiana Waterthrush | O | | O | | |
| Northern Waterthrush | C | | U | | |
| Golden-winged Warbler | U | | U | | |
| Blue-winged Warbler | U | U | U | | |
| Black-and-white Warbler | C | | C | | |
| Prothonotary Warbler | U | U | U | | |
| Tennessee Warbler | C | | C | | |
| Orange-crowned Warbler | C | | C | | |
| Nashville Warbler | C | | C | | |
| Connecticut Warbler | O | | O | | |
| Mourning Warbler | U | | U | | |
| Kentucky Warbler | R | | R | | |
| Common Yellowthroat | C | C | C | | |
| Hooded Warbler | R | | | | |
| American Redstart | C | C | C | | |
| Cape May Warbler | U | | U | | |
| Cerulean Warbler | O | 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 | | |
| Black-throated Blue Warbler | O | O | | | |
| Palm Warbler | C | C | | | |

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| Bobolink | C | C | C | | |
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| Western Meadowlark | U | U | U | O | |
| Orchard Oriole | U | 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 | | |
| Brewer's Blackbird | U | O | U | | |
| Common Grackle | C | C | C | O | |
| WARBLED, CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS | | | | | |
| Scarlet Tanager | U | U | U | | |
| Northern Cardinal | C | C | C | C | |
| Rose-breasted Grosbeak | C | C | C | | |
| Indigo Bunting | C | C | C | | |
| Dickcissel | O | O | O | | |
| WARBLED | | | | | |
| Ovenbird | C | C | C | | |
| Louisiana Waterthrush | O | | O | | |
| Northern Waterthrush | C | | U | | |
| Golden-winged Warbler | U | | U | | |
| Blue-winged Warbler | U | U | U | | |
| Black-and-white Warbler | C | | C | | |
| Prothonotary Warbler | U | U | U | | |
| Tennessee Warbler | C | | C | | |
| Orange-crowned Warbler | C | | C | | |
| Nashville Warbler | C | | C | | |
| Connecticut Warbler | O | O | | | |
| Mourning Warbler | U | | U | | |
| Kentucky Warbler | R | | R | | |
| Common Yellowthroat | C | C | C | | |
| Hooded Warbler | R | | | | |
| American Redstart | C | C | C | | |
| Cape May Warbler | U | | U | | |
| Cerulean Warbler | O | 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</td | | | | | |

Birding at Frontenac State Park

The park's diverse habitat along the Mississippi River makes it a premier birding area. It has the highest species count (273) of any park in the state.

Visit Sand Point for shorebirds. Go to Lake Pepin for waterfowl, gulls and terns. Hike prairie trails for the Henslow's sparrow, grasshopper sparrow, bobolink or sedge wren. Visit in May for the migration of warblers, vireos, flycatchers, thrushes, tanagers and sparrows.

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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|--|----|---|---|---|------|
| GESE, SWANS, DUCKS | | | | | |
| Snow Goose | | | | | |
| | U | | U | | |
| Greater White-fronted Goose | O | | | | |
| Canada Goose | C | C | C | O | |
| Mute Swan | R | R | | | |
| Trumpeter Swan | U | | | | |
| Tundra Swan | U | | C | | |
| Wood Duck | C | C | C | | |
| Blue-winged Teal | C | C | C | | |
| Northern Shoveler | C | | C | | |
| Gadwall | C | | C | O | |
| American Wigeon | C | | C | | |
| Mallard | C | C | C | | |
| American Black Duck | U | | U | | |
| Northern Pintail | U | | U | | |
| Green-winged Teal | C | | C | | |
| Canvasback | U | | U | O | |
| Redhead | U | | U | | |
| Ring-necked Duck | C | | C | O | |
| Greater Scaup | C | | C | O | |
| Lesser Scaup | C | | C | O | |
| Long-tailed Duck | O | | O | | |
| Bufflehead | C | | C | O | |
| Common Goldeneye | C | | C | C | |
| Hooded Merganser | C | C | C | U | |
| Common Merganser | C | | C | U | |
| Red-breasted Merganser | C | | C | O | |
| Ruddy Duck | U | U | U | | |
| PARTRIDGE, PHEASANTS, GROUSE, TURKEYS | | | | | |
| Ring-necked Pheasant | | | | | |
| | C | C | C | C | |
| Gray Partridge | O | O | O | O | |
| Ruffed Grouse | U | O | U | U | |
| Wild Turkey | C | C | C | C | |
| GREBES | | | | | |
| Pied-billed Grebe | | | | | |
| | C | C | C | | |
| Horned Grebe | U | | U | | |
| Eared Grebe | O | | O | | |
| Western Grebe | O | | O | | |

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| PIGEONS, DOVES | | | | | |
| Rock Pigeon | | | | | |
| | C | C | C | C | |
| Mourning Dove | C | C | C | U | |
| CUCKOOS | | | | | |
| Yellow-billed Cuckoo | | | | | |
| | U | U | U | | |
| Black-billed Cuckoo | U | U | U | | |
| NIGHTJARS | | | | | |
| Common Nighthawk | | | | | |
| | C | U | C | | |
| Eastern Whip-poor-will | U | O | O | | |
| SWIFTS | | | | | |
| Chimney Swift | | | | | |
| | C | C | C | | |
| HUMMINGBIRDS | | | | | |
| Ruby-throated Hummingbird | | | | | |
| | C | U | C | | |
| RAILS, GALLINULES, COOTS | | | | | |
| Virginia Rail | | | | | |
| | U | U | U | | |
| Sora | C | C | C | | |
| American Coot | C | C | C | | |
| CRANES | | | | | |
| Sandhill Crane | | | | | |
| | U | O | U | | |
| STILTS, AVOCETS | | | | | |
| American Avocet | | | | | |
| | O | | | | |
| PLOVERS | | | | | |
| Black-bellied Plover | | | | | |
| | U | | U | | |
| American Golden-plover | U | | U | | |
| Semipalmated Plover | U | U | U | | |
| Piping Plover | R | | R | | |
| Killdeer | C | C | C | | |
| SANDPIPERs AND ALLIES | | | | | |
| Upland Sandpiper | | | | | |
| | U | | | | |
| Whimbrel | O | | | | |
| Hudsonian Godwit | O | | | | |
| Marbled Godwit | O | | | | |
| Ruddy Turnstone | U | | U | | |
| Red Knot | O | | O | | |
| Stilt Sandpiper | U | | U | | |
| Sanderling | U | | U | | |
| Dunlin | U | | U | | |
| Baird's Sandpiper | U | | U | | |

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| Least Sandpiper | | | | | |
| White-rumped Sandpiper | | | | | |
| | U | | | | |
| Buff-breasted Sandpiper | | | | O | |
| Pectoral Sandpiper | C | | C | | |
| Semipalmated Sandpiper | U | | | | |
| Short-billed Dowitcher | U | R | U | | |
| Long-billed Dowitcher | U | | U | | |
| American Woodcock | U | O | U | | |
| Wilson's Snipe | C | O | C | | |
| Spotted Sandpiper | C | C | C | | |
| Solitary Sandpiper | C | U | C | | |
| Lesser Yellowlegs | C | U | C | | |
| Willet | O | | | | |
| Greater Yellowlegs | U | | U | | |
| Wilson's Phalarope | O | | O | | |
| Red-necked Phalarope | O | | O | | |
| GULLS, TERNS | | | | | |
| Bonaparte's Gull | | | | | |
| | U | | U | | |
| Franklin's Gull | U | O | U | | |
| Ring-billed Gull | C | O | C | O | |
| Herring Gull | C | O | C | O | |
| Glaucous Gull | O | | O | | |
| Caspian Tern | U | O | U | | |
| Black Tern | U | U | U | | |
| Common Tern | U | | U | | |
| Forster's Tern | U | O | U | | |
| LOONS | | | | | |
| Common Loon | | | | | |
| | U | | U | | |
| CORMORANTS | | | | | |
| Double-crested Cormorant | | | | | |
| | C | C | C | | |
| PELICANS | | | | | |
| American White Pelican | | | | | |
| | U | O | U | | |
| BITTERNS, HERONS, EGRETS, NIGHT-HERONS | | | | | |
| Reddish Egret | | | | | |
| | O | O | O | | |
| Least Bittern | O | O | O | | |
| Great Blue Heron | C | C | C | | |
| Great | | | | | |