

Birds of Hill Annex Mine State Park	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Warbler	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chestnut-sided Warbler	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Magnolia Warbler	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler	C		C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Green Warbler	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Palm Warbler	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bay-breasted Warbler	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackpoll Warbler	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-white Warbler	U	O	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Redstart	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ovenbird	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Waterthrush	O		O	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Warbler	O		O	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Warbler	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Towhee	O		O	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Tree Sparrow	C		C	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Chipping Sparrow	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Clay-colored Sparrow	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Vesper Sparrow	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Savannah Sparrow	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fox Sparrow	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln's Sparrow	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Swamp Sparrow	U	U	U	
<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"/> Lapland Longspur			U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Bunting			U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Rose-breasted Grosbeak	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Indigo Bunting	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Grackle	U	U	U	

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<input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Finch	U		U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> House Finch	U	U	U	
<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	O		O	O
<input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow	U	U	U	U

HILL ANNEX MINE STATE PARK

BIRD Checklist



Date: _____

Weather: _____

Observers: _____

Notes: _____



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Birding Opportunities at Hill Annex Mine State Park

Hill Annex Mine State Park is a old mine pit that is primarily used to show the public how iron was mined in the heyday of mining in Minnesota. One wouldn't think that this would be a place to look for birds, but Hill Annex holds some surprises. A pair of osprey nest every year on a utility pole on an island in the huge pit. Turkey vulture, common raven, red-tailed hawk, merlin, peregrine falcon and an occasional golden eagle soar over the huge spoil piles in the park. In the woodlands surrounding the mine, good numbers of warblers and vireos occur during migration periods in the spring and fall. Hermit thrush and veery sing and nest in these woodlands. Of special interest is the presence of vesper sparrow, a grassland species of western and southern Minnesota. These birds have found small pieces of grassland habitat here not found elsewhere in the area. The recording of over 100 species of birds in this rather unique habitat is most interesting.

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"/> Greater White-fronted Goose			R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruffed Grouse	U	U	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Loon	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Osprey	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged Hawk	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rough-legged Hawk	U		U	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden Eagle	O		O	O
<input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Merlin	O	O	O	
<input type="checkbox"/> Peregrine Falcon	O	O	O	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill Crane	O		O	
<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary Sandpiper	O		O	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Herring Gull	O		O	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Pigeon	U	U	U	U
<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"/> Northern Flicker	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker	O	O	O	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher	U	U	U	

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<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia Vireo	O		O	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Jay	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> American Crow	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Raven	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Lark			U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Rough-winged Swallow	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Swallow	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cliff Swallow	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow	U	U	U	
<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	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Creeper	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> House Wren	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Wren	O		O	
<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"/> Swainson's Thrush	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hermit Thrush	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Robin	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird	C	C	C	
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Thrasher	U	U	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> European Starling	U	U	U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> American Pipit	O		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing	C	C	C	O
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Warbler	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Orange-crowned Warbler	U		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Nashville Warbler	U		U	