

STATE PARK BIRDS

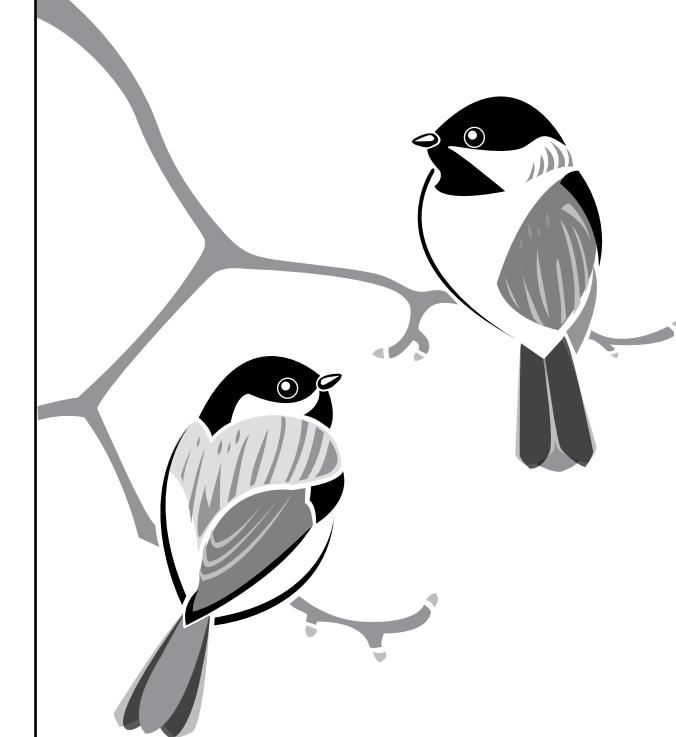
	Sp	S	F	W	DATE
KINGLETS					
Golden-crowned Kinglet	C	C			
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	C	C			
THRUSHES					
Eastern Bluebird	U	U	U		
Veery	U	U	U		
Swainson's Thrush	U		U		
Hermit Thrush	U		U		
American Robin	C	C	C		
THRASHERS, MOCKINGBIRDS					
Gray Catbird	C	C	C		
STARLINGS					
European Starling	U	U	U	U	
WAXWINGS					
Cedar Waxwing	C	C	C	C	
OLD WORLD SPARROWS					
House Sparrow	U	U	U	U	
FINCHES					
Evening Grosbeak	O		O	O	
Purple Finch	U	U	U	U	
Common Redpoll			O	U	
Red Crossbill	O	U		U	
Pine Siskin	U		U	U	
American Goldfinch	C	C	C	U	
TOWHEES, SPARROWS					
Chipping Sparrow	C	C	C		
Clay-colored Sparrow	U	U	U		
Fox Sparrow	U		U		
American Tree Sparrow	C		C	U	
Dark-eyed Junco	C		C	O	
White-crowned Sparrow	U		U		
White-throated Sparrow	C	U	C		
Savannah Sparrow	U	U	U		
Song Sparrow	C	C	C		
Swamp Sparrow	C	C	C		
Eastern Towhee	O	O	O		

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BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES					
Bobolink	U	U	U		
Eastern Meadowlark	U	U	U		
Western Meadowlark	O	O	O		
Baltimore Oriole	U	U	U		
Red-winged Blackbird	C	C	C		
Brown-headed Cowbird	C	C	C		
Rusty Blackbird	U		U		
Brewer's Blackbird	U	U	U		
Common Grackle	U	U	U		
WARBLERS					
Ovenbird	C	C	C		
Golden-winged Warbler	U	U	U		
Black-and-white Warbler	C	C	C		
Prothonotary Warbler	R				
Tennessee Warbler	C		C		
Orange-crowned Warbler	C		C		
Nashville Warbler	C	U	C		
Mourning Warbler	U	U	U		
Common Yellowthroat	C	C	C		
American Redstart	C	C	C		
Northern Parula	U		U		
Blackburnian Warbler	U	U	U		
Yellow Warbler	C	C	C		
Chestnut-sided Warbler	U	U	U		
Palm Warbler	C		C		
Pine Warbler	U	U	U		
Yellow-rumped Warbler	C		C		
Black-throated Green Warbler	U	U	U		
Wilson's Warbler	U		U		
TANAGERS, CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS					
Scarlet Tanager	U	U	U		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	C	C	C		
Indigo Bunting	U	U	U		

BIRD CHECKLIST

SCHOOLCRAFT STATE PARK



Checklist created by Robert B. Janssen, Jerry Bonkoski and MNDNR. Data was gathered from MNDNR staff observations, public observations and Minnesota Ornithologist's Union records. Nomenclature and organization of checklist based off of the *Check-list of North American Birds* (7th edition) as currently supplemented.

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Birding at Schoolcraft State Park

The Mississippi River flows along this small park in northern Cass and Itasca counties. Park habitat includes large stands of white and red pines, as well as areas of deciduous trees. Look for pine warblers, blackburnian warblers, eastern wood-pewees, red crossbills and woodpeckers using the pines in the day use area.

Stroll along the southern section of the Hiking Club trail to watch for migratory sparrows and thrushes along the dense, brushy areas found there.

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

Canada Goose	U	U	U	
Tundra Swan	O		O	
Trumpeter Swan	U	O	U	
Wood Duck	C	C	C	
Blue-winged Teal	C	C	C	
Northern Shoveler	O		O	
American Wigeon	U		U	
Mallard	C	C	C	
Green-winged Teal	U		U	
Ring-necked Duck	U	U	U	
Lesser Scaup	U		U	
Bufflehead	U		U	
Common Goldeneye	C	C	C	
Hooded Merganser	C	C	C	
Common Merganser	O	O		

PARTRIDGE, PHEASANTS, GROUSE, TURKEYS

Ruffed Grouse	C	C	C	C
Wild Turkey	O	O	O	O

GREBES

Pied-billed Grebe	U	U	U	
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PIGEONS, DOVES

Rock Pigeon	O	O	O	O
Mourning Dove	U	U	U	

HUMMINGBIRDS

Ruby-throated Hummingbird	U	U	U	
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RAILS, GALLINULES, COOTS

Sora	U	U	U	
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CRANES

Sandhill Crane	O	O	O	
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PLOVERS

Killdeer	C	C	C	
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SANDPIPER AND ALLIES

American Woodcock	U	U	U	
Wilson's Snipe	U	U	U	
Solitary Sandpiper	O	O		
Lesser Yellowlegs	O	O		

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GULLS, TERNS

Ring-billed Gull	U		U	
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LOONS

Common Loon	U	U	U	
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BITTERNS, HERONS, EGRETS, NIGHT-HERONS

American Bittern	O	O	O	
Great Blue Heron	U	U	U	

NEW WORLD VULTURES

Turkey Vulture	C	U	C	
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OSPREY

Osprey	U	U	U	
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KITES, HAWKS, EAGLES

Northern Harrier	U	U	U	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	U	U	U	
Cooper's Hawk	U	U	U	
Bald Eagle	U	U	U	O
Red-shouldered Hawk	O	O	O	
Broad-winged Hawk	U	U	U	
Red-tailed Hawk	U	U	U	

TYPICAL OWLS

Barred Owl	O	O	O	O
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KINGFISHERS

Belted Kingfisher	C	C	C	
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WOODPECKERS

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	C	C	C	
Downy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
Hairy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
Northern Flicker	C	C	C	
Pileated Woodpecker	U	U	U	U

FALCONS

American Kestrel	U	U	U	O
Peregrine Falcon	O	O	O	

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FLYCATCHERS

Great Crested Flycatcher	C	C	C	
Eastern Kingbird	C	C	C	
Eastern Wood-Pewee	U	U	U	
Alder Flycatcher	U	U	U	
Least Flycatcher	U	U	U	
Eastern Phoebe	C	C	C	

SHRIKES

Northern Shrike	O	O	O	
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VIREOS

Yellow-throated Vireo	U	U	U	
Blue-headed Vireo	U		U	
Warbling Vireo	U	U	U	
Red-eyed Vireo	C	C	C	

JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS, RAVENS

Blue Jay	C	C	C	C
Black-billed Magpie	U	U	U	U
American Crow	C	C	C	C
Common Raven	U	U	U	U

MARTINS, SWALLOWS

Bank Swallow	U	U	U	
Tree Swallow	C	C	C	
Purple Martin	U	U	U	
Barn Swallow	C	C	C	
Cliff Swallow	C	C	C	

CHICKADEES, TITMICE

Black-capped Chickadee	C	C	C	C
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