

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Savannah Coastal Refuges

*National Wildlife Refuge
Bird List*



There are seven national wildlife refuges (NWR) administered from the Savannah Coastal Refuges (SCR) office in Savannah, Georgia. The chain of coastal refuges comprising the SCR complex extends from Pinckney Island NWR, near Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, to Wolf Island NWR, near Darien, Georgia. Between these lie Savannah (the largest unit in the complex), Wassaw, Tybee, Harris Neck, and Blackbeard Island refuges. Together they span a 100-mile stretch of coastline and total 55,483 acres.

The diversity of habitat within this acreage enhances the value of these coastal refuges, located strategically along the Atlantic Flyway, to a great variety of migratory birds.



*Birds of the
Savannah
Coastal
Refuges*



*This blue goose,
designed by
J. N. "Ding"
Darling, has
become a symbol
of the
National
Wildlife
Refuge
System.*

Within the complex there are freshwater and saltwater marshes, tidal rivers and creeks, bottomland hardwoods, maritime forests, barrier island beaches, and more.

This list of birds recorded on the seven coastal refuges includes 310 species, of which 25 are accidentals (sighted less than six times over the last twenty years, and outside of their normal range). The following legend indicates the refuge on which each species was found, as well as the relative abundance and seasonal occurrence of each. Birds known to nest are designated with an asterisk (*) following the refuge abbreviation. Birds classified as threatened or endangered are highlighted in italics. Though most species are listed on two or more refuges, they may be more easily seen on some than on others, due to varying sizes of appropriate habitat available on each refuge.



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*cover photo:
Great Egret,
by Jim Barber*



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The names for birds used in this list comply with recommendations of the American Ornithologists' Union (AOU). Species are also listed in the order set by the AOU's Checklist of North American Birds, 7th Edition (1998).

Relative Abundance

- C Common, seen in good numbers in appropriate habitat and season
- FC Fairly common, seen in moderate numbers in appropriate habitat and season
- U Uncommon, seen in small numbers and/or not seen every time in appropriate habitat and season
- R Rare, seen in small numbers, between five and ten records over the past twenty years

Refuge

- B.....Blackbeard Island
- H.....Harris Neck
- P.....Pinckney Island
- S.....Savannah
- T.....Tybee
- W.....Wassaw
- Wo.....Wolf Island

Seasonal Occurrence

- PR* Permanent resident, present year-round
- SR* Summer resident, breeds
- SV* Summer visitor, non-breeding
- WV* Winter visitor
- T* Transient

Refuges

Abundance/Season

Loons & Grebes

___ Red-throated Loon	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	FC-WV
___ Common Loon	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV
___ Pied-billed Grebe	B	H	P	S	T	W*	Wo	C-PR
___ Horned Grebe	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV
___ Red-necked Grebe	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	R-WV
___ Eared Grebe	B	H		S	T	W		R-WV

Gannets & Pelicans

___ Northern Gannet	B		P		T	W	Wo	FC-WV
___ Brown Pelican	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	FC-PR
___ American White Pelican	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	R-WV

Cormorants, Anhingas

___ Double-crested Cormorant	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	FC-SR, C-WV
___ Anhinga	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W	Wo	U-WV, C-WV

Bitterns, Herons, & Ibises

___ American Bittern	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	U-WV
___ Least Bittern	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*	Wo	FC-SR
___ Great Blue Heron	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo	FC-PR
___ Great Egret	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo	C-PR
___ Snowy Egret	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo	C-PR
___ Little Blue Heron	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo	C-PR
___ Tricolored Heron	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo	C-PR

___ Swallow-tailed Kite	B	H	P	S*	W			U- <i>SR</i>
___ Mississippi Kite	B	H	P	S*	T	W	Wo	U- <i>SR</i>
___ Bald Eagle	B*	H	P	S*	T	W*	Wo	U- <i>WV</i> , U- <i>T</i>
___ Northern Harrier	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C- <i>WV</i>
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	FC- <i>WV</i> , U- <i>SR</i>
___ Cooper's Hawk	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo	FC- <i>PR</i>
___ Red-shouldered Hawk	B	H*	P*	S*	T	W	Wo	FC- <i>PR</i>
___ Broad-winged Hawk			P	S	W			U- <i>SV</i> , U- <i>T</i>
___ Red-tailed Hawk	B*	H*	P*	S*	T*	W*	Wo	C- <i>PR</i>
___ Golden Eagle			P	S				R- <i>WV</i>

True Falcons

___ American Kestrel	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C- <i>WV</i>
___ Merlin	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	U- <i>WV</i>
___ Peregrine Falcon	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	U- <i>WV</i>

Turkeys & New World Quail

___ Wild Turkey		H*	P	S*				U- <i>PR</i>
___ Northern Bobwhite		H*	P*	S*				C- <i>PR</i>

Rails, Gallinules, Coots & Cranes

___ Yellow Rail				S				R- <i>WV</i>
___ Black Rail	B			S		W		R- <i>PR</i>
___ Clapper Rail	B*	H*	P*		T*	W		C- <i>PR</i>
___ King Rail	B*			S*				FC- <i>PR</i>
___ Virginia Rail	B	H	P	S		W		FC- <i>WV</i>
___ Sora	B	H		S				FC- <i>WV</i>
___ Purple Gallinule	B*	H*		S*				FC- <i>SR</i>
___ Common Moorhen	B*	H*	P	S*		W		C- <i>PR</i>
___ American Coot	B	H	P	S		W		C- <i>PR</i>
___ Sandhill Crane	B	H		S		W		U- <i>T</i>

Plovers

___ Black-bellied Plover	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C- <i>WV</i> , U- <i>SV</i>
___ American Golden-Plover		H		S	T	W		R- <i>T</i>
___ Wilson's Plover	B*	H	P	S	T	W*	Wo	C- <i>SR</i>
___ Semipalmated Plover	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C- <i>WV</i> , U- <i>SV</i>
___ Piping Plover	B		P		T	W	Wo	U- <i>WV</i>
___ Killdeer	B*	H*	P*	S*	T*	W*	Wo*	C- <i>PR</i>

Oystercatchers, Stilts & Avocet

___ American Oystercatcher	B*	H	P*		T*	W*	Wo*	FC- <i>PR</i>
___ Black-necked Stilt		H	P	S*		W		U- <i>SR</i>
___ American Avocet	B	H	P	S		W		U- <i>T</i> , U- <i>WV</i>

Sandpipers

___ Greater Yellowlegs	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C- <i>WV</i> , U- <i>SV</i>
___ Lesser Yellowlegs	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C- <i>WV</i>
___ Solitary Sandpiper	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	FC- <i>T</i>
___ Willet	B*	H*	P*	S	T*	W*	Wo*	C- <i>PR</i>

___ Reddish Egret	B			S		W			<i>R-T</i>
___ Cattle Egret	B	H*	P	S*	T	W	Wo		<i>C-SR, U-WV</i>
___ Green Heron	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo		<i>C-SR</i>
___ Black-crowned Night-Heron	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo		<i>C-PR</i>
___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo		<i>FC-PR</i>
___ White Ibis	B*	H*	P*	S*		W	Wo		<i>C-PR</i>
___ Glossy Ibis	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>FC-PR</i>

Storks

___ Wood Stork	B*	H*	P	S		W	Wo		<i>FC-SR</i>
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New World Vultures

___ Black Vulture	B*	H	P	S*	T	W*	Wo		<i>C-PR</i>
___ Turkey Vulture	B*	H	P	S*	T	W*	Wo		<i>C-PR</i>

Waterfowl

___ Fulvous Whistling-Duck		H		S					<i>R-WV, R-T</i>
___ Greater White-fronted Goose		H		S					<i>U-WV</i>
___ Snow Goose	B	H		S	T	W			<i>U-WV</i>
___ Canada Goose	B	H*	P	S		W			<i>U-WV</i>
___ Brant		H		S					<i>R-WV</i>
___ Tundra Swan				S					<i>U-WV</i>
___ Wood Duck	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo		<i>C-PR</i>
___ Gadwall	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Eurasian Wigeon				S					<i>R-WV</i>
___ American Wigeon	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ American Black Duck	B	H	P	S*	T	W	Wo		<i>U-SR, C-WV</i>
___ Mallard	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Mottled Duck	B	H	P	S*	T	W	Wo		<i>FC-PR</i>
___ Blue-winged Teal	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV, R-SV</i>
___ Cinnamon Teal	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>R-WV</i>
___ Northern Shoveler	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Northern Pintail	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Green-winged Teal	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Canvasback	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>FC-WV</i>
___ Redhead	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>U-WV</i>
___ Ring-necked Duck	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Greater Scaup	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>U-WV</i>
___ Lesser Scaup	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Surf Scoter	B		P		T	W	Wo		<i>FC-WV</i>
___ White-winged Scoter	B		P		T	W	Wo		<i>UC-WV</i>
___ Black Scoter	B		P		T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Oldsquaw	B		P		T	W	Wo		<i>U-WV</i>
___ Bufflehead	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Common Goldeneye				S					<i>U-WV</i>
___ Hooded Merganser	B	H	P	S*	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV, U-SR</i>
___ Common Merganser	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>R-WV</i>
___ Red-breasted Merganser	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>
___ Ruddy Duck	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		<i>C-WV</i>

Hawks, Eagles, Kites

___ Osprey	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo		<i>C-PR</i>
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___ Black-billed Cuckoo				S	W				U-T
___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*			C-SR
Owls									
___ Barn Owl	B*	H	P	S*		W			U-PR
___ Eastern Screech-Owl	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*			FC-PR
___ Great Horned Owl	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*			FC-PR
___ Barred Owl	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*			FC-PR
___ Long-eared Owl				S					R-WV
___ Short-eared Owl			P	S			Wo		R-WV
Nightjars & Swifts									
___ Common Nighthawk	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo		C-SR
___ Chuck-will's-widow	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*	Wo		C-SR
___ Whip-poor-will	B	H	P	S		W			FC-T
___ Chimney Swift	B*	H	P*	S*	T	W			C-SR
Hummingbirds									
___ Rudy-throated Hummingbird	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo		C-SR
Kingfishers									
___ Belted Kingfisher	B	H*	P*	S*		W*	Wo		FC-PR
Woodpeckers									
___ Red-headed Woodpecker	B*	H*	P	S		W			FC-PR
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*			C-PR
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	B	H	P	S		W			FC-WV
___ Downy Woodpecker	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*			C-PR
___ Hairy Woodpecker	B*	H	P*	S*		W			U-PR
___ <i>Red-cockaded Woodpecker</i>				S					R-PR
___ Northern Flicker	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*			C-PR
___ Pileated Woodpecker	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*			C-PR
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*			C-SR
___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher				S					R-T
___ Acadian Flycatcher	B*	H	P*	S*		W*			C-SR
___ Eastern Phoebe	B	H	P	S		W			C-WV
___ Great Crested Flycatcher	B	H*	P*	S*		W*			C-SR
___ Eastern Kingbird	B	H*	P*	S*		W*			C-SR
___ Gray Kingbird	B		P			W			R-SV
Shrikes									
___ Loggerhead Shrike	B*	H*	P*	S*		W			FC-PR
Vireos									
___ White-eyed Vireo	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*			FC-PR
___ Yellow-throated Vireo	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*			FC-SR
___ Blue-headed Vireo	B	H	P	S		W			FC-WV
___ Warbling Vireo				S		W			R-T
___ Philadelphia Vireo			P	S		W			R-T
___ Red-eyed Vireo	B	H*	P*	S*		W*			C-SR

___ Spotted Sandpiper	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-T, R-WV
___ Upland Sandpiper			P	S	T	W	Wo	R-T
___ Whimbrel	B	H	P		T	W	Wo	C-T
___ Long-billed Curlew	B	H				W	Wo	U-WV
___ Marbled Godwit	B		P			W	Wo	FC-WV
___ Ruddy Turnstone	B	H	P		T	W	Wo	C-PR
___ Red Knot	B	H	P		T	W	Wo	FC-T, U-WV
___ Sanderling	B	H	P		T	W	Wo	C-WV, U-SV
___ Semipalmated Sandpiper	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-T
___ Western Sandpiper	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV, U-SV
___ Least Sandpiper	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV, U-SV
___ White-rumped Sandpiper			P	S		W		U-T
___ Pectoral Sandpiper	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	FC-T
___ Purple Sandpiper					T			U-WV
___ Dunlin	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV
___ Stilt Sandpiper			P	S				U-T, R-WV
___ Buff-breasted Sandpiper				S				R-T
___ Short-billed Dowitcher	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV, U-T
___ Long-billed Dowitcher	B		P	S		W	Wo	U-WV, U-T
___ Common Snipe	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV
___ American Woodcock	B	H	P	S		W		FC-WV
___ Wilson's Phalarope	B		P	S				U-T

Jaegers

___ Parasitic Jaeger	B		P			W		R-WV
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Gulls & Terns

___ Laughing Gull	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-PR
___ Bonaparte's Gull	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV
___ Ring-billed Gull	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-PR
___ Herring Gull	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-PR
___ Lesser Black-backed Gull	B				T	W	Wo	R-WV, U-T
___ Great Black-backed Gull	B		P	S	T	W	Wo	U-WV
___ Gull-billed Tern	B	H	P	S*	T*	W	Wo*	FC-SR
___ Caspian Tern	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	U-PR
___ Royal Tern	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-PR
___ Sandwich Tern	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	FC-SR
___ Common Tern	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	U-T
___ Forster's Tern	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-PR
___ Least Tern	B*	H	P	S*	T*	W*	Wo*	C-SR
___ Sooty Tern	B		P		T	W	Wo	R-SV
___ Black Tern	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	FC-T

Skimmers

___ Black Skimmer	B	H	P	S	T	W*	Wo	C-PR
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Pigeons & Doves

___ Rock Dove	B	H	P	S	T	W		C-PR
___ Mourning Dove	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*		C-PR
___ Common Ground-Dove	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*		U-PR

Cuckoos

Starlings

___ European Starling		H*	P*	S*		W*		C-PR
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Pipits

___ American Pipit	B	H	P	S				U-WV
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Waxwings

___ Cedar Waxwing	B	H	P	S		W		C-WV
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Wood Warblers

___ Blue-winged Warbler			P	S				R-T
___ Golden-winged Warbler			P	S		W		R-T
___ Tennessee Warbler			P	S				R-T
___ Orange-crowned Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		U-WV
___ Nashville Warbler			P			W		R-T
___ Northern Parula	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*		C-SR
___ Yellow Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		C-T
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler	B			P	S	W		R-T
___ Magnolia Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		U-T
___ Cape May Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		FC-T
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		FC-T
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	C-WV
___ Black-throated Green Warbler	B			P		W		U-T
___ Blackburnian Warbler	B			P	S	W		R-T
___ Yellow-throated Warbler	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*		C-T
___ Pine Warbler	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*		C-T
___ Prairie Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		FC-SR
___ Palm Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		FC-WV, C-T
___ Bay-breasted Warbler			P	S				R-T
___ Blackpoll Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		FC-T
___ Black-and-white Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		U-PR, FC-T
___ American Redstart	B	H	P	S		W		C-T
___ Prothonotary Warbler	B	H	P	S*		W		FC-SR
___ Worm-eating Warbler	B	H	P	S		W		U-T
___ Swainson's Warbler				S				U-SR
___ Ovenbird	B	H	P	S		W		FC-T
___ Northern Waterthrush	B	H	P	S		W		FC-T
___ Louisiana Waterthrush		H	P	S		W		U-T
___ Kentucky Warbler			P	S		W		U-T, R-SV
___ Connecticut Warbler			P			W		R-T
___ Mourning Warbler				S				R-T
___ Common Yellowthroat	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*		C-PR
___ Hooded Warbler	B	H	P	S*		W		FC-SR
___ Wilson's Warbler			P	S				R-T, R-WV
___ Canada Warbler			P			W		R-T
___ Yellow-breasted Chat			P*	S*		W		FC-SR

Tanagers

___ Summer Tanager	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*		C-SR
___ Scarlet Tanager			P	S		W		U-T

Jays & Crows

___ Blue Jay	B	H	P*	S*	W*			<i>C-PR</i>
___ American Crow	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	Wo	<i>C-PR</i>
___ Fish Crow	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	<i>C-PR</i>

Swallows

___ Purple Martin	B*	H	P*	S*	W			<i>C-SR</i>
___ Tree Swallow	B	H	P	S	W	Wo		<i>C-WV, U-T</i>
___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	B	H	P	S	W*			<i>FC-SR</i>
___ Bank Swallow		H	P	S				<i>U-T</i>
___ Barn Swallow	B	H	P	S*	W*			<i>C-SR</i>

Titmice & Chickadees

___ Carolina Chickadee	B*	H*	P*	S*	W*			<i>C-PR</i>
___ Tufted Titmouse	B	H*	P*	S*	W*			<i>C-PR</i>

Nuthatches

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch		H	P	S	W			<i>R-WV</i>
___ White-breasted Nuthatch		H	P	S	W			<i>FC-PR</i>
___ Brown-headed Nuthatch	B	H	P*	S*	W*			<i>C-PR</i>

Creepers

___ Brown Creeper	B	H	P	S	W			<i>R-WV</i>
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Wrens

___ Carolina Wren	B*	H*	P*	S*	W*			<i>C-PR</i>
___ House Wren	B	H	P	S	W			<i>C-WV</i>
___ Winter Wren	B	H	P	S	W			<i>U-WV</i>
___ Sedge Wren	B	H	P	S	W	Wo		<i>U-WV</i>
___ Marsh Wren	B*	H*	P*	S*	T*	W*	Wo*	<i>C-PR</i>

Kinglets & Gnatcatchers

___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	B	H	P	S	W			<i>U-WV</i>
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	B	H	P	S	W			<i>C-WV</i>
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	B*	H*	P*	S*	W*			<i>C-SR, FC-WV</i>

Thrushes

___ Eastern Bluebird	B*	H*	P*	S*	W*			<i>FC-PR</i>
___ Veery			P	S	W			<i>FC-T</i>
___ Gray-cheeked Thrush		H	P	S	W			<i>FC-T</i>
___ Swainson's Thrush		H	P	S	W			<i>FC-T</i>
___ Hermit Thrush	B	H	P	S	W			<i>C-WV</i>
___ Wood Thrush		H*	P*	S*	W*			<i>C-SR</i>
___ American Robin	B	H	P	S	W			<i>C-WV</i>

Mockingbirds & Thrashers

___ Gray Catbird	B	H*	P*	S*	W			<i>FC-PR, C-T</i>
___ Northern Mockingbird	B*	H*	P*	S*	T*	W*		<i>C-PR</i>
___ Brown Thrasher	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo	<i>C-SR, FC-WV</i>

___ Bobolink	B	H	P	S	W		C-T
___ Red-winged Blackbird	B*	H*	P*	S*	T*	W*	C-PR
___ Eastern Meadowlark	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*	FC-PR
___ Western Meadowlark		H		S			R-WV
___ Rusty Blackbird			H	P	S	W	U-WV
___ Brewer's Blackbird				P	S		R-WV
___ Common Grackle	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*	C-PR
___ Boat-tailed Grackle	B*	H*	P*	S*	T	W*	C-P
___ Shiny Cowbird	B						R-T
___ Brown-headed Cowbird	B*	H	P	S		W*	C-PR
___ Orchard Oriole	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*	C-SR
___ Baltimore Oriole	B		P	S		W	U-WV, FC-T

Cardueline Finches

___ Purple Finch	B	H	P	S	W		U-WV
___ House Finch				P	S		U-PR
___ Pine Siskin			H	P	S		U-WV
___ American Goldfinch	B	H	P	S		W	C-WV
___ Evening Grosbeak				P	S		R-WV

Old World Sparrows

___ House Sparrow			H*	P*	S*		C-PR
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Accidentals

These additional 24 species, considered accidental, are very rarely seen on the refuge with only one or two sightings in the past ten years:

Wilson's Storm-Petrel	B		P			W	
Great Cormorant	B					W	Wo
Magnificent Frigatebird	B					W	Wo
Roseate Spoonbill	B	H		S		W	
Mute Swan				S			
Rough-legged Hawk			P				
Limpkin		H		S			
Red-necked Phalarope				S			
Red Phalarope				S		W	
Ruff				S			
Iceland Gull						W	
Glaucous Gull						W	
Groove-billed Ani				S			
Snowy Owl				S			
Olive-sided Flycatcher				S			
Vermillion Flycatcher		H					
Western Kingbird		H		S			
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	B	H					
Common Raven				S			
Sprague's Pipit		H		S			
Clay-colored Sparrow	B			S			
Lark Sparrow	B						
Snow Bunting					T		
Yellow-headed Blackbird				S			

Emberizids

___ Eastern Towhee	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*			FC-PR, C-WV
___ Bachman's Sparrow		H		S					U-PR, R-T
___ Chipping Sparrow	B	H	P	S		W			C-WV
___ Field Sparrow	B	H	P	S		W			FC-WV
___ Vesper Sparrow	B	H	P	S		W			U-WV
___ Savannah Sparrow	B	H	P	S	T	W	Wo		C-WV
___ Grasshopper Sparrow		H		S					U-WV
___ Henslow's Sparrow		H		S					U-WV
___ LeConte's Sparrow		H		S					U-WV
___ Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow	B	H	P		T	W	Wo		U-WV
___ Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrow	B	H	P		T	W	Wo		U-WV
___ Seaside Sparrow	B*	H*	P*			W*	Wo*		C-PR
___ Fox Sparrow	B	H	P	S		W			U-WV
___ Song Sparrow	B	H	P	S		W			C-WV
___ Lincoln's Sparrow		H							R-WV
___ Swamp Sparrow	B	H	P	S		W			C-WV
___ White-throated Sparrow	B	H	P	S		W			C-WV
___ White-crowned Sparrow				S		W			R-WV
___ Dark-eyed Junco	B	H	P	S		W			C-WV
___ Lapland Longspur		H							R-WV

Cardinals & Allies

___ Northern Cardinal	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*			C-PR
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak			P	S		W			U-T
___ Blue Grosbeak			P	S		W			FC-T
___ Indigo Bunting	B	H	P	S		W			C-SR
___ Painted Bunting	B*	H*	P*	S*		W*	Wo		FC-SR



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Ethics for Birdwatching

Observe birds without disturbing them.

Avoid chasing or repeatedly flushing birds.
Electronic call devices should be used sparingly even when they are permitted.

Keep an appropriate distance from nests and nesting colonies so as not to disturb the birds or expose them to danger.

Disturb wintering wildlife as little as possible, particularly during critical feeding and resting periods. They need all of their energy reserves to withstand the stresses of harsh weather and migration.

Leave habitat as it was found. Many birds die when they become entangled in fishing lines, 6-pack rings, and other trash, or when they mistake garbage for food.

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