



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Kanuti National Wildlife Refuge

Birds

The Kanuti National Wildlife Refuge sits atop the Arctic Circle and is approximately 1.6 million acres in size. The refuge is comprised of rich wetlands consisting of a network of lakes, streams, ponds, and marshes which provides nesting habitat for a number of bird species. A number of different landbird and waterbird surveys have been conducted. The following 137 species of birds have been documented on the refuge.



(Luke Smithwick/USFWS)

Hudsonian Godwit

GEESE

- Greater White-fronted Goose (*Anser albifrons*)
- Snow Goose (*Chen caerulescens*)
- Brant (*Branta bernicla*)
- Cackling Goose (*Branta hutchinsii*)
- Canada Goose (*Branta canadensis*)

SWANS

- Trumpeter Swan (*Cygnus buccinator*)
- Tundra Swan (*Cygnus columbianus*)

DUCKS

- Gadwall (*Anas strepera*)
- Eurasian Wigeon (*Anas penelope*)
- American Wigeon (*Anas americana*)
- Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*)
- Blue-winged Teal (*Anas discors*)
- Northern Shoveler (*Anas clypeata*)
- Northern Pintail (*Anas acuta*)
- Green-winged Teal (*Anas crecca*)
- Canvasback (*Aythya valisineria*)
- Redhead (*Aythya americana*)
- Ring-necked Duck (*Aythya collaris*)
- Greater Scaup (*Aythya marila*)
- Lesser Scaup (*Aythya affinis*)
- Common Eider (*Somateria mollissima*)
- Harlequin Duck (*Histrionicus histrionicus*)

- Surf Scoter (*Melanitta perspicillata*)
- White-winged Scoter (*Melanitta fusca*)
- Black Scoter (*Melanitta americana*)
- Long-tailed Duck (*Clangula hyemalis*)
- Bufflehead (*Bucephala albeola*)
- Common Goldeneye (*Bucephala clangula*)
- Barrow's Goldeneye (*Bucephala islandica*)
- Common Merganser (*Mergus merganser*)
- Red-breasted Merganser (*Mergus serrator*)

GROUSE

- Ruffed Grouse (*Bonasa umbellus*)
- Spruce Grouse (*Falcipennis canadensis*)
- Willow Ptarmigan (*Lagopus lagopus*)
- Sharp-tailed Grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*)

LOONS

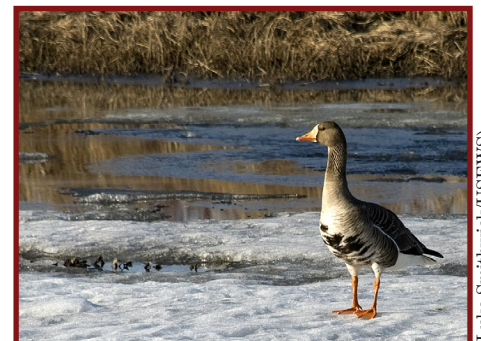
- Red-throated Loon (*Gavia stellata*)
- Pacific Loon (*Gavia pacifica*)
- Common Loon (*Gavia immer*)

GREBES

- Horned Grebe (*Podiceps auritus*)
- Red-necked Grebe (*Podiceps grisegena*)

HAWKS, EAGLES, AND ALLIES

- Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*)
- Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*)
- Northern Harrier (*Circus cyaneus*)
- Sharp-shinned Hawk (*Accipiter striatus*)
- Northern Goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis*)
- Red-tailed Hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*)
- Rough-legged Hawk (*Buteo lagopus*)
- Golden Eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*)



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Greater White-fronted Goose

CRANES

- __ Sandhill Crane (*Grus canadensis*)

SHOREBIRDS

- __ American Golden-Plover
(*Pluvialis dominica*)
- __ Semipalmated Plover
(*Charadrius semipalmatus*)
- __ Spotted Sandpiper
(*Actitis macularius*)
- __ Solitary Sandpiper (*Tringa solitaria*)
- __ Wandering Tattler (*Tringa incana*)
- __ Lesser Yellowlegs (*Tringa flavipes*)
- __ Upland Sandpiper
(*Bartramia longicauda*)
- __ Whimbrel (*Numenius phaeopus*)
- __ Hudsonian Godwit
(*Limosa haemastica*)
- __ Semipalmated Sandpiper
(*Calidris pusilla*)
- __ Least Sandpiper (*Calidris minutilla*)
- __ Baird's Sandpiper (*Calidris bairdii*)
- __ Pectoral Sandpiper
(*Calidris melanotos*)
- __ Long-billed Dowitcher
(*Limnodromus scolopaceus*)
- __ Wilson's Snipe (*Gallinago delicata*)
- __ Red-necked Phalarope
(*Phalaropus lobatus*)

GULLS AND ALLIES

- __ Bonaparte's Gull
(*Chroicocephalus philadelphia*)
- __ Mew Gull (*Larus canus*)
- __ Herring Gull (*Larus argentatus*)
- __ Glaucous-winged Gull
(*Larus glaucescens*)
- __ Glaucous Gull (*Larus hyperboreus*)
- __ Arctic Tern (*Sterna paradisaea*)
- __ Long-tailed Jaeger
(*Stercorarius longicaudus*)

OWLS

- __ Great Horned Owl (*Bubo virginianus*)
- __ Snowy Owl (*Bubo scandiacus*)
- __ Northern Hawk Owl (*Surnia ulula*)
- __ Great Gray Owl (*Strix nebulosa*)
- __ Short-eared Owl (*Asio flammeus*)
- __ Boreal Owl (*Aegolius funereus*)



Gray Jay

(Wild North Photography/USFWS)

KINGFISHERS

- __ Belted Kingfisher
(*Megasceryle alcyon*)

WOODPECKERS

- __ Downy Woodpecker
(*Picoides pubescens*)
- __ American Three-toed Woodpecker
(*Picoides dorsalis*)
- __ Black-backed Woodpecker
(*Picoides arcticus*)
- __ Northern Flicker (*Colaptes auratus*)

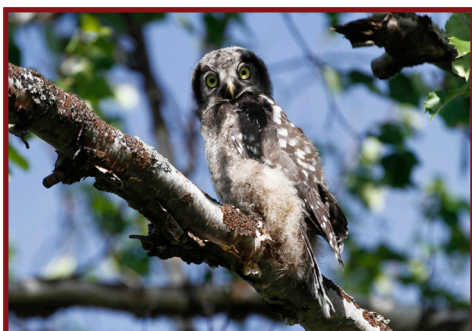
FALCONS

- __ American Kestrel (*Falco sparverius*)
- __ Merlin (*Falco columbarius*)
- __ Gyrfalcon (*Falco rusticolus*)
- __ Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*)

SONGBIRDS

- __ Olive-sided Flycatcher
(*Contopus cooperi*)
- __ Western Wood-Pewee
(*Contopus sordidulus*)
- __ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
(*Empidonax flaviventris*)
- __ Alder Flycatcher
(*Empidonax alnorum*)
- __ Hammond's Flycatcher
(*Empidonax hammondi*)
- __ Say's Phoebe (*Sayornis saya*)
- __ Northern Shrike (*Lanius excubitor*)
- __ Gray Jay (*Perisoreus canadensis*)
- __ Common Raven (*Corvus corax*)
- __ Horned Lark (*Eremophila alpestris*)
- __ Tree Swallow (*Tachycineta bicolor*)
- __ Violet-green Swallow
(*Tachycineta thalassina*)
- __ Bank Swallow (*Riparia riparia*)
- __ Cliff Swallow
(*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*)
- __ Black-capped Chickadee
(*Poecile atricapillus*)
- __ Boreal Chickadee
(*Poecile hudsonicus*)
- __ Ruby-crowned Kinglet
(*Regulus calendula*)
- __ Arctic Warbler
(*Phylloscopus borealis*)

- __ Townsend's Solitaire
(*Myadestes townsendi*)
- __ Gray-cheeked Thrush
(*Catharus minimus*)
- __ Swainson's Thrush
(*Catharus ustulatus*)
- __ Hermit Thrush (*Catharus guttatus*)
- __ American Robin (*Turdus migratorius*)
- __ Varied Thrush (*Ixoreus naevius*)
- __ Eastern Yellow Wagtail
(*Motacilla tschutschensis*)
- __ American Pipit (*Anthus rubescens*)
- __ Bohemian Waxwing
(*Bombycilla garrulus*)
- __ Lapland Longspur
(*Calcarius lapponicus*)
- __ Snow Bunting (*Plectrophenax nivalis*)
- __ Northern Waterthrush
(*Parkesia noveboracensis*)
- __ Orange-crowned Warbler
(*Oreothlypis celata*)
- __ Yellow Warbler (*Setophaga petechia*)
- __ Blackpoll Warbler (*Setophaga striata*)
- __ Palm Warbler (*Setophaga palmarum*)
- __ Yellow-rumped Warbler
(*Setophaga coronata*)
- __ Wilson's Warbler (*Cardellina pusilla*)
- __ American Tree Sparrow
(*Spizella arborea*)
- __ Savannah Sparrow
(*Passerculus sandwichensis*)
- __ Fox Sparrow (*Passerella iliaca*)
- __ Lincoln's Sparrow
(*Melospiza lincolni*)
- __ White-crowned Sparrow
(*Zonotrichia leucophrys*)
- __ Golden-crowned Sparrow
(*Zonotrichia atricapilla*)
- __ Dark-eyed Junco (*Junco hyemalis*)
- __ Red-winged Blackbird
(*Agelaius phoeniceus*)
- __ Rusty Blackbird
(*Euphagus carolinus*)
- __ Pine Grosbeak (*Pinicola enucleator*)
- __ White-winged Crossbill
(*Loxia leucoptera*)
- __ Common Redpoll (*Acanthis flammea*)
- __ Hoary Redpoll
(*Acanthis hornemanni*)
- __ Pine Siskin (*Spinus pinus*)



A juvenile Northern Hawk Owl

(Roman Dugan/USFWS)

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