

A BIRD Checklist for Hammocks Beach State Park 207 taxa

Of the 473 species known from North Carolina, 207 have been recorded at the state park. Of these, 14 species are known to nest within the park. 5 are suspected of nesting. We would appreciate any report of sightings that increase our knowledge of the park's bird life.

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Notes

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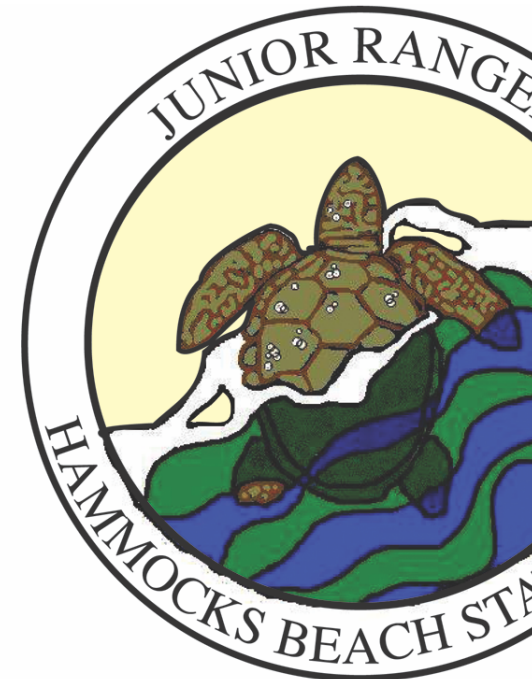
Spring - March to May
Summer - June to August
Fall - September to November
Winter - December to February

A - Abundant, always present in large numbers.
C - Common, almost always present in good numbers in proper habitat.
F - Fairly common, usually present and seen most days in proper habitat.
U - Uncommon, usually present, but not seen most days.
O - Occasional, often present, but not seen most weeks or only in limited area.
R - Rare, not seen most years, or seen only in very low numbers in limited area.
V - Very Rare, usually not present, seen once every five or more years.
I - Irregular, highly variable from year to year.
X - Accidental, not to be expected.
E - Escaped from captivity.
* - Known to breed.
~ - Suspected of breeding.

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<https://www.ncparks.gov/junior-rangers>

207 BIRD taxa

ANATIDAE: Swans, Geese & Ducks [23]

- ___ *Canada Goose - - - -
- Branta canadensis*
- ___ Tundra Swan - - - -
- Cygnus columbianus*
- ___ Black Swan - - - -
- Cygnus atratus*
- ___ Northern Shoveler - - - -
- Spatula clypeata*
- ___ Gadwall - - - -
- Mareca strepera*
- ___ American Wigeon - - - -
- Mareca americana*
- ___ Mallard - - - -
- Anas platyrhynchos*
- ___ American Black Duck - - - -
- Anas rubripes*
- ___ Northern Pintail - - - -
- Anas acuta*
- ___ Green-winged Teal - - - -
- Anas crecca*
- ___ Redhead - - - -
- Aythya americana*
- ___ Ring-necked Duck - - - -
- Aythya collaris*
- ___ Greater Scaup - - - -
- Aythya marila*
- ___ Lesser Scaup - - - -
- Aythya affinis*
- ___ Common Eider - - - -
- Somateria mollissima*
- ___ Surf Scoter - - - -
- Melanitta perspicillata*
- ___ White-winged Scoter - - - -
- Melanitta deglandi*
- ___ Black Scoter - - - -
- Melanitta americana*
- ___ Long-tailed Duck (Oldsquaw) - - - -
- Clangula hyemalis*
- ___ Bufflehead - - - -
- Bucephala albeola*
- ___ Hooded Merganser - - - -
- Lophodytes cucullatus*

ANATIDAE: Swans, Geese & Ducks [23]

- ___ Red-breasted Merganser - - - -
- Mergus serrator*
- ___ Ruddy Duck - - - -
- Oxyura jamaicensis*

ODONTOPHORIDAE: Quail [1]

- ___ ~Northern Bobwhite - - - -
- Colinus virginianus*

PHASIANIDAE: Grouse [1]

- ___ Wild Turkey - - - -
- Meleagris gallopavo*

PODICIPEDIDAE: Grebes [2]

- ___ Pied-billed Grebe - - - -
- Podilymbus podiceps*
- ___ Horned Grebe - - - -
- Podiceps auritus*

COLUMBIDAE: Doves [2]

- ___ *Rock Pigeon, Rock Dove - - - -
- Columba livia*
- ___ Mourning Dove - - - -
- Zenaidura macroura*

CUCULIDAE: Cuckoos, Roadrunner & Anis [1]

- ___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo - - - -
- Coccyzus americanus*

CAPRIMULGIDAE: Goatsuckers [2]

- ___ Common Nighthawk - - - -
- Chordeiles minor*
- ___ Chuck-will's-widow - - - -
- Antrostomus carolinensis*

APODIDAE: Swifts [1]

- ___ Chimney Swift - - - -
- Chaetura pelagica*

TROCHILIDAE: Hummingbirds [2]

- ___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird - - - -
- Archilochus colubris*
- ___ Rufous Hummingbird - - - -
- Selasphorus rufus*

RALLIDAE: Rails [6]

- ___ *Clapper Rail - - - -
- Rallus crepitans*
- ___ King Rail - - - -
- Rallus elegans*
- ___ Virginia Rail - - - -
- Rallus limicola*

RALLIDAE: Rails [6]

- ___ Sora - - - -
- Porzana carolina*
- ___ Purple Gallinule - - - -
- Porphyrio martinicus*
- ___ American Coot - - - -
- Fulica americana*

GRUIDAE: Cranes [1]

- ___ Sandhill Crane - - - X
- Antigone canadensis*

RECURVIROSTRIDAE: Stilt & Avocet [2]

- ___ Black-necked Stilt - - - -
- Himantopus mexicanus*
- ___ American Avocet - - - -
- Recurvirostra americana*

HAEMATOPODIDAE: Oystercatchers [1]

- ___ *American Oystercatcher F C - -
- Haematopus palliatus*

CHARADRIIDAE: Plovers [6]

- ___ Black-bellied Plover - - - -
- Pluvialis squatarola*
- ___ Snowy Plover - - X -
- Charadrius nivosus*
- ___ *Wilson's Plover - - - -
- Charadrius wilsonia*
- ___ Semipalmated Plover C - C F
- Charadrius semipalmatus*
- ___ *Piping Plover - - - U
- Charadrius melodus*
- ___ *Killdeer - - - -
- Charadrius vociferus*

SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers [19]

- ___ Whimbrel - - - -
- Numenius phaeopus*
- ___ Marbled Godwit - - - -
- Limosa fedoa*
- ___ Ruddy Turnstone - - - -
- Arenaria interpres*
- ___ Red Knot - - - -
- Calidris canutus*
- ___ Ruff - - - -
- Calidris pugnax*
- ___ Sanderling - - - -
- Calidris alba*

SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers [19]

- ___ Dunlin - - - -
Calidris alpina
- ___ Least Sandpiper - - - -
Calidris minutilla
- ___ White-rumped Sandpiper - - - -
Calidris fuscicollis
- ___ Buff-breasted Sandpiper - - - -
Calidris subruficollis
- ___ Semipalmated Sandpiper - - - -
Calidris pusilla
- ___ Western Sandpiper - - - F
Calidris mauri
- ___ Short-billed Dowitcher - - - -
Limnodromus griseus
- ___ American Woodcock - - - -
Scolopax minor
- ___ Spotted Sandpiper - - - -
Actitis macularius
- ___ Lesser Yellowlegs - - - -
Tringa flavipes
- ___ Willet - - - -
- ___ *Tringa semipalmata*
- ___ Greater Yellowlegs - - - -
Tringa melanoleuca
- ___ Wilson's Phalarope - - - -
Phalaropus tricolor

STERCORARIIDAE: Skuas [2]

- ___ Pomarine Jaeger - - - -
Stercorarius pomarinus
- ___ Parasitic Jaeger - - X -
Stercorarius parasiticus

ALCIDAE: Auks [2]

- ___ Dovekie - - - -
Alle alle
- ___ Razorbill - - - -
Alca torda

LARIDAE: Gulls & Terns [17]

- ___ Bonaparte's Gull - - - -
Chroicocephalus philadelphia
- ___ Laughing Gull - C - -
Leucophaeus atricilla
- ___ Ring-billed Gull - - - -
Larus delawarensis

LARIDAE: Gulls & Terns [17]

- ___ Herring Gull - - - -
Larus argentatus
- ___ Lesser Black-backed Gull - - - -
Larus fuscus
- ___ Glaucous Gull - - - -
Larus hyperboreus
- ___ Great Black-backed Gull - - - -
Larus marinus
- ___ Sooty Tern - - - -
Onychoprion fuscatus
- ___ *Least Tern - - - -
Sternula antillarum
- ___ Gull-billed Tern - - - -
Gelochelidon nilotica
- ___ Caspian Tern - - - -
Hydroprogne caspia
- ___ Black Tern - - - -
Chlidonias niger
- ___ *Common Tern - - - -
Sterna hirundo
- ___ Forster's Tern - - - -
Sterna forsteri
- ___ Royal Tern - F - -
Thalasseus maximus
- ___ Sandwich Tern - - - -
Thalasseus sandvicensis
- ___ *Black Skimmer - - - -
Rynchops niger

PHAETHONTIDAE: Tropicbirds [1]

- ___ White-tailed Tropicbird - - - -
Phaethon lepturus

GAVIIDAE: Loons [2]

- ___ Red-throated Loon - - - -
Gavia stellata
- ___ Common Loon - - - -
Gavia immer

PROCELLARIIDAE: Shearwaters [2]

- ___ Great Shearwater - - - -
Ardenna gravis
- ___ Audubon's Shearwater - O - -
Puffinus lherminieri

SULIDAE: Boobies [1]

- ___ Northern Gannet - - - -
Morus bassanus

PHALACROCORACIDAE: Cormorants [1]

- ___ Double-crested Cormorant - - - -
Nannopterum auritus

PELECANIDAE: Pelicans [2]

- ___ American White Pelican - - - -
Pelecanus erythrorhynchos
- ___ Brown Pelican - - - -
Pelecanus occidentalis

ARDEIDAE: Herons [12]

- ___ American Bittern - - - -
Botaurus lentiginosus
- ___ Least Bittern - - - -
Ixobrychus exilis
- ___ Great Blue Heron C C C C
- ___ Great Egret - C - -
Ardea alba
- ___ Snowy Egret - - - -
Egretta thula
- ___ Little Blue Heron - - - -
Egretta caerulea
- ___ Tricolored Heron - - - -
Egretta tricolor
- ___ Reddish Egret - - U -
Egretta rufescens
- ___ Cattle Egret - - - -
Bubulcus ibis
- ___ Green Heron - - - -
Butorides virescens
- ___ Black-crowned Night-heron - - - -
Nycticorax nycticorax
- ___ Yellow-crowned Night-heron - - - -
Nyctanassa violacea

THRESKIORNITHIDAE: Ibis [3]

- ___ White Ibis - - - O
- ___ Glossy Ibis - - - -
Plegadis falcinellus
- ___ Roseate Spoonbill - - - -
Platalea ajaja

CATHARTIDAE: New World Vultures [2]

- ___ Black Vulture - - - -
Coragyps atratus
- ___ Turkey Vulture - - - -
Cathartes aura

PANDIONIDAE: Osprey [1]

___ Osprey - - - -
Pandion haliaetus

ACCIPITRIDAE: Eagles, Kites & Hawks [7]

___ Swallow-tailed Kite - - - -
Elanoides forficatus

___ Bald Eagle - - - -
Haliaeetus leucocephalus

___ Northern Harrier - - - -
Circus hudsonius

___ Sharp-shinned Hawk - - - -
Accipiter striatus

___ Cooper's Hawk - - - -
Accipiter cooperii

___ Red-shouldered Hawk - - - -
Buteo lineatus

___ Red-tailed Hawk - - - -
Buteo jamaicensis

TYTONIDAE: Barn-owl [1]

___ Barn Owl - - - -
Tyto alba

STRIGIDAE: Owls [4]

___ Eastern Screech-owl - - - -
Megascops asio

___ Great Horned Owl - - - -
Bubo virginianus

___ Barred Owl - - - -
Strix varia

___ Short-eared Owl - - - -
Asio flammeus

ALCEDINIDAE: Kingfisher [1]

___ *Belted Kingfisher - - - -
Megaceryle alcyon

PICIDAE: Woodpeckers [7]

___ Red-headed Woodpecker - - - -
Melanerpes erythrocephalus

___ Red-bellied Woodpecker - - - -
Melanerpes carolinus

___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker - - - -
Sphyrapicus varius

___ Downy Woodpecker - - - -
Dryobates pubescens

___ Hairy Woodpecker - - - -
Picoides villosus

PICIDAE: Woodpeckers [7]

___ ~Northern Flicker - - - -
Colaptes auratus

___ Pileated Woodpecker - - - -
Dryocopus pileatus

FALCONIDAE: Falcons [3]

___ American Kestrel - - - -
Falco sparverius

___ Merlin - 0 -
Falco columbarius

___ Peregrine Falcon - - - -
Falco peregrinus

TYRANNIDAE: Flycatchers [3]

___ Eastern Phoebe - - - -
Sayornis phoebe

___ Great Crested Flycatcher - - - -
Myiarchus crinitus

___ Eastern Kingbird - - - -
Tyrannus tyrannus

VIREONIDAE: Vireos [2]

___ White-eyed Vireo - - - -
Vireo griseus

___ Red-eyed Vireo - - - -
Vireo olivaceus

CORVIDAE: Jays & Crows [3]

___ *Blue Jay - - - -
Cyanocitta cristata

___ American Crow - - - -
Corvus brachyrhynchos

___ Fish Crow - - - -
Corvus ossifragus

HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows [6]

___ Purple Martin - - - -
Progne subis

___ Tree Swallow - - - -
Tachycineta bicolor

___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow - - - -
Stelgidopteryx serripennis

___ Bank Swallow - - - -
Riparia riparia

___ Cliff Swallow - - - -
Petrochelidon pyrrhonota

___ *Barn Swallow - F - -
Hirundo rustica

PARIDAE: Chickadees & Titmice [2]

___ Carolina Chickadee - - - -
Poecile carolinensis

___ Tufted Titmouse - - - -
Baeolophus bicolor

SITTIDAE: Nuthatches [1]

___ Brown-headed Nuthatch - - - -
Sitta pusilla

TROGLODYTIDAE: Wrens [3]

___ House Wren - - - -
Troglodytes aedon

___ Marsh Wren - - - -
Cistothorus palustris

___ Carolina Wren - - - -
Thryothorus ludovicianus

POLIOPTILIDAE: Gnatcatchers [1]

___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher - - - -
Poliophtila caerulea

REGULIDAE: Kinglets [1]

___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet - - - -
Corthylio calendula

TURDIDAE: Thrushes [4]

___ Eastern Bluebird - - - -
Sialia sialis

___ Veery - - - -
Catharus fuscescens

___ Hermit Thrush - - - -
Catharus guttatus

___ American Robin - - - -
Turdus migratorius

MIMIDAE: Mockingbirds & Thrashers [3]

___ Gray Catbird - - - -
Dumetella carolinensis

___ Brown Thrasher - - - -
Toxostoma rufum

___ *Northern Mockingbird - - - -
Mimus polyglottos

STURNIDAE: Starling [1]

___ European Starling - - - -
Sturnus vulgaris

BOMBYCILLIDAE: Waxwings [1]

___ Cedar Waxwing - - - -
Bombycilla cedrorum

MOTACILLIDAE: Wagtails & Pipits [1]

___ American Pipit - - - -
Anthus rubescens

FRINGILLIDAE: Finches [2]

- ___ House Finch - - - -
Haemorhous mexicanus
- ___ American Goldfinch - - - -
Spinus tristis

PASSERELLIDAE: [10]

- ___ Eastern Towhee - - - -
Pipilo erythrophthalmus
- ___ Chipping Sparrow - - - -
Spizella passerina
- ___ Field Sparrow - - - -
Spizella pusilla
- ___ Savannah Sparrow - - - -
Passerculus sandwichensis
- ___ Saltmarsh Sparrow - - - -
Ammodramus caudacutus
- ___ Seaside Sparrow - - - -
Ammodramus maritimus
- ___ Song Sparrow - - - -
Melospiza melodia
- ___ Swamp Sparrow - - - -
Melospiza georgiana
- ___ White-throated Sparrow - - - -
Zonotrichia albicollis
- ___ Dark-eyed Junco - - - -
Junco hyemalis

ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds & Orioles [3]

- ___ Orchard Oriole - - - -
Icterus spurius

PASSERELLIDAE: [10]

- ___ (Ipswich) Sparrow - - - -
Passerculus sandwichensis (in part)

ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds & Orioles [3]

- ___ ~Red-winged Blackbird - - - -
Agelaius phoeniceus
- ___ Common Grackle - - - -
Quiscalus quiscula
- ___ ~Boat-tailed Grackle - c - -
Quiscalus major

PARULIDAE: Warblers [12]

- ___ Black-and-white Warbler - - - -
Mniotilta varia
- ___ Prothonotary Warbler - - - -
Protonotaria citrea

PARULIDAE: Warblers [12]

- ___ Orange-crowned Warbler - - - -
Leiothlypis celata
- ___ Common Yellowthroat - - - -
Geothlypis trichas
- ___ American Redstart - - - -
Setophaga ruticilla
- ___ Cape May Warbler - - - -
Setophaga tigrina
- ___ Blackburnian Warbler - - - -
Setophaga fusca
- ___ Blackpoll Warbler - - - -
Setophaga striata
- ___ Palm Warbler - - - -
Setophaga palmarum
- ___ Pine Warbler - - - -
Setophaga pinus
- ___ Yellow-rumped Warbler - - - -
Setophaga coronata
- ___ Prairie Warbler - - - -
Setophaga discolor

CARDINALIDAE: Grosbeaks & Buntings [5]

- ___ Summer Tanager - - - -
Piranga rubra
- ___ Northern Cardinal - - - -
Cardinalis cardinalis
- ___ Blue Grosbeak - - - -
Passerina caerulea
- ___ Indigo Bunting - - - -
Passerina cyanea
- ___ ~Painted Bunting O F O R
Passerina ciris