

A BIRD Checklist for Haw River State Park 154 taxa

Of the 473 species known from North Carolina, 154 have been recorded at the state park. Of these, 5 species are known to nest within the park. 42 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

BIRD CHECKLIST Haw River State Park

Seasons:

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.

Web Links

NC Birds Website
<https://carolinabirdclub.org/ncbirds/index.html>

Resources



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

154 BIRD taxa**ANATIDAE: Swans, Geese & Ducks [15]**

- Mallard/American Black Duck hybrid - - -
- *Anas platyrhynchos x rubripes*
- *Canada Goose - F -
- *Branta canadensis*
- ~Wood Duck - - -
- *Aix sponsa*
- Blue-winged Teal - - -
- *Spatula discors*
- Northern Shoveler - - -
- *Spatula clypeata*
- Gadwall - - -
- *Mareca strepera*
- Mallard - - -
- *Anas platyrhynchos*
- American Black Duck - - -
- *Anas rubripes*
- Northern Pintail - - -
- *Anas acuta*
- Green-winged Teal - - -
- *Anas crecca*
- Ring-necked Duck - - -
- *Aythya collaris*
- White-winged Scoter - - -
- *Melanitta deglandi*
- Bufflehead - - -
- *Bucephala albeola*
- Hooded Merganser - - -
- *Lophodytes cucullatus*
- Ruddy Duck - - -
- *Oxyura jamaicensis*

ODONTOPHORIDAE: Quail [1]

- Northern Bobwhite - - -
- *Colinus virginianus*

PHASIANIDAE: Grouse [1]

- ~Wild Turkey - - -
- *Meleagris gallopavo*

PODICIPEDIDAE: Grebes [1]

- Pied-billed Grebe - - -
- *Podilymbus podiceps*

COLUMBIDAE: Doves [2]

- Rock Pigeon, Rock Dove - - -
- *Columba livia*

COLUMBIDAE: Doves [2]

- Mourning Dove - - -
- *Zenaida macroura*
- CUCULIDAE: Cuckoos, Roadrunner & Anis [1]**
 - *Yellow-billed Cuckoo - - -
 - *Coccyzus americanus*
- CAPRIMULGIDAE: Goatsuckers [1]**
 - Chuck-will's-widow - - -
 - *Antrostomus carolinensis*
- APODIDAE: Swifts [1]**
 - ~Chimney Swift - - -
 - *Chaetura peligra*
- TROCHILIDAE: Hummingbirds [1]**
 - *Ruby-throated Hummingbird - - -
 - *Archilochus colubris*
- RALLIDAE: Rails [1]**
 - American Coot - - -
 - *Fulica americana*
- CHARADRIIDAE: Plovers [1]**
 - Killdeer - - -
 - *Charadrius vociferus*
- SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers [4]**
 - American Woodcock - - -
 - *Scolopax minor*
 - Wilson's Snipe - - -
 - *Gallinago delicata*
 - Spotted Sandpiper - - -
 - *Actitis macularius*
 - Solitary Sandpiper - - -
 - *Tringa solitaria*
- LARIDAE: Gulls & Terns [1]**
 - Ring-billed Gull - - -
 - *Larus delawarensis*
- PHALACROCORACIDAE: Cormorants [1]**
 - Double-crested Cormorant - - -
 - *Nannopterum auritus*
- ARDEIDAE: Herons [4]**
 - ~Great Blue Heron c c c c
 - *Ardea herodias*
 - Great Egret - - -
 - *Ardea alba*
 - Little Blue Heron - - -
 - *Egretta caerulea*
 - Green Heron - - -
 - *Butorides virescens*

CATHARTIDAE: New World Vultures [2]

- Black Vulture - - -
- *Coragyps atratus*
- Turkey Vulture - - -
- *Cathartes aura*
- PANDIONIDAE: Osprey [1]**
 - Osprey - - -
 - *Pandion haliaetus*

ACCIPITRIDAE: Eagles, Kites & Hawks [6]

- Mississippi Kite - - -
- *Ictinia mississippiensis*
- Bald Eagle - - -
- *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*
- 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 [3]**
 - Eastern Screech-owl - - -
 - *Megascops asio*
 - Great Horned Owl - - -
 - *Bubo virginianus*
 - Barred Owl - - -
 - *Strix varia*

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 [2]

- American Kestrel
- *Falco sparverius*
- Merlin
- *Falco columbarius*

TYRANNIDAE: Flycatchers [5]

- Eastern Wood-pewee
- *Contopus virens*
- ~Acadian Flycatcher
- *Empidonax virescens*
- ~Eastern Phoebe
- *Sayornis phoebe*
- ~Great Crested Flycatcher
- *Myiarchus crinitus*
- Eastern Kingbird
- *Tyrannus tyrannus*

LANIIDAE: Shrikes [1]

- Loggerhead Shrike
- *Lanius ludovicianus*

VIREONIDAE: Vireos [5]

- ~White-eyed Vireo
- *Vireo griseus*
- Yellow-throated Vireo
- *Vireo flavifrons*
- Blue-headed (or Solitary) Vireo
- *Vireo solitarius*
- Warbling Vireo
- *Vireo gilvus*
- ~Red-eyed Vireo
- *Vireo olivaceus*

CORVIDAE: Jays & Crows [4]

- Blue Jay
- *Cyanocitta cristata*
- ~American Crow
- *Corvus brachyrhynchos*
- Fish Crow
- *Corvus ossifragus*
- Common Raven
- *Corvus corax*

HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows [5]

- Purple Martin
- *Progne subis*
- Tree Swallow
- *Tachycineta bicolor*
- ~Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- *Stelgidopteryx serripennis*
- Bank Swallow
- *Riparia riparia*
- Barn Swallow
- *Hirundo rustica*

PARIDAE: Chickadees & Titmice [2]

- ~Carolina Chickadee
- *Poecile carolinensis*
- Tufted Titmouse
- *Baeolophus bicolor*

SITTIDAE: Nuthatches [3]

- Red-breasted Nuthatch
- *Sitta canadensis*
- ~White-breasted Nuthatch
- *Sitta carolinensis*
- Brown-headed Nuthatch
- *Sitta pusilla*

CERTHIIDAE: Creeper [1]

- Brown Creeper
- *Certhia americana*

TROGLODYTIDAE: Wrens [3]

- House Wren
- *Troglodytes aedon*
- Winter Wren
- *Troglodytes hiemalis*
- ~Carolina Wren
- *Thryothorus ludovicianus*

POLIOPTILIDAE: Gnatcatchers [1]

- ~Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
- *Polioptila caerulea*

REGULIDAE: Kinglets [2]

- Golden-crowned Kinglet
- *Regulus satrapa*
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- *Corthylio calendula*

TURDIDAE: Thrushes [6]

- ~Eastern Bluebird
- *Sialia sialis*

TURDIDAE: Thrushes [6]

- Veery
- *Catharus fuscescens*
- Swainson's Thrush
- *Catharus ustulatus*
- Hermit Thrush
- *Catharus guttatus*
- ~Wood Thrush
- *Hylocichla mustelina*
- ~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*

PASSERIDAE: Old World Sparrows [1]

- House Sparrow
- *Passer domesticus*

FRINGILLIDAE: Finches [4]

- ~House Finch
- *Haemorhous mexicanus*
- Purple Finch
- *Haemorhous purpureus*
- Pine Siskin
- *Spinus pinus*
- ~American Goldfinch
- *Spinus tristis*

PASSERELLIDAE: [10]

- ~Eastern Towhee
- *Pipilo erythrrophthalmus*
- ~Chipping Sparrow
- *Spizella passerina*
- ~Field Sparrow
- *Spizella pusilla*
- Savannah Sparrow
- *Passerculus sandwichensis*

PASSERELLIDAE: [10]

- Grasshopper Sparrow - - - -
- Ammodramus savannarum*
- Fox Sparrow - - - -
- Passerella iliaca*
- Song Sparrow - - - -
- Melospiza melodia*
- Swamp Sparrow - - - -
- Melospiza georgiana*
- White-throated Sparrow - - - -
- Zonotrichia albicollis*
- Dark-eyed Junco - - U F
- Junco hyemalis*

ICTERIIDAE: [1]

- ~Yellow-breasted Chat - - - -
- Icteria virens*

ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds & Orioles [7]

- Bobolink - - - -
- Dolichonyx oryzivorus*
- Eastern Meadowlark - - - -
- Sturnella magna*
- Orchard Oriole - - - -
- Icterus spurius*
- Red-winged Blackbird - - - -
- Agelaius phoeniceus*
- ~Brown-headed Cowbird - - - -
- Molothrus ater*
- Rusty Blackbird - - U -
- Euphagus carolinus*
- ~Common Grackle - - - -
- Quiscalus quiscula*

PARULIDAE: Warblers [23]

- Ovenbird - - - -
- Seiurus aurocapilla*
- ~Louisiana Waterthrush - - - -
- Parkesia motacilla*
- Northern Waterthrush - - - -
- Parkesia noveboracensis*
- Blue-winged Warbler - - - -
- Vermivora cyanoptera*
- Black-and-white Warbler - - - -
- Mniotilla varia*
- ~Prothonotary Warbler - - - -
- Protonotaria citrea*

PARULIDAE: Warblers [23]

- Common Yellowthroat - - - -
- Geothlypis trichas*
- Hooded Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga citrina*
- ~American Redstart - - - -
- Setophaga ruticilla*
- Kirtland's Warbler - - V -
- Setophaga kirtlandii*
- Cape May Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga tigrina*
- ~Northern Parula - - - -
- Setophaga americana*
- Magnolia Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga magnolia*
- Blackburnian Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga fusca*
- Yellow Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga petechia*
- Chestnut-sided Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga pensylvanica*
- Blackpoll Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga striata*
- Black-throated Blue Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga caerulescens*
- ~Pine Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga pinus*
- Yellow-rumped Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga coronata*
- ~Yellow-throated Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga dominica*
- ~Prairie Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga discolor*
- Black-throated Green Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga virens*

CARDINALIDAE: Grosbeaks & Buntings [6]

- ~Blue Grosbeak - - - -
- Passerina caerulea*
- Indigo Bunting - - - -
- Passerina cyanea*