

A BIRD Checklist for Mayo River State Park 196 taxa

Of the 473 species known from North Carolina, 196 have been recorded at the state park. Of these, none is known to nest within the park. 9 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 Mayo 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>

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

- Cackling Goose — — —
- Branta hutchinsii*
- Canada Goose — — —
- Branta canadensis*
- Wood Duck — — —
- Aix sponsa*
- Blue-winged Teal — — —
- Spatula discors*
- Gadwall — — —
- Mareca strepera*
- Mallard — — —
- Anas platyrhynchos*
- American Black Duck — — —
- Anas rubripes*
- Canvasback — — —
- Aythya valisineria*
- Ring-necked Duck — — —
- Aythya collaris*
- Lesser Scaup — — —
- Aythya affinis*
- Bufflehead — — —
- Bucephala albeola*
- Common Goldeneye — — —
- Bucephala clangula*
- Hooded Merganser — — —
- Lophodytes cucullatus*
- Common Merganser — — —
- Mergus merganser*
- Ruddy Duck — — —
- Oxyura jamaicensis*

ODONTOPHORIDAE: Quail [1]

- Northern Bobwhite — — —
- Colinus virginianus*

PHASIANIDAE: Grouse [2]

- Ruffed Grouse — — —
- Bonasa umbellus*
- Wild Turkey — — —
- Meleagris gallopavo*

PODICIPEDIDAE: Grebes [2]

- Pied-billed Grebe — — —
- Podilymbus podiceps*
- Red-necked Grebe — — —
- Podiceps grisegena*

COLUMBIDAE: Doves [3]

- Rock Pigeon, Rock Dove — — —
- Columba livia*
- Common Ground Dove — — —
- Columbina passerina*
- ~Mourning Dove — — —
- Zenaida macroura*

CUCULIDAE: Cuckoos, Roadrunner & Anis [2]

- Yellow-billed Cuckoo — — —
- Coccyzus americanus*
- Black-billed Cuckoo — — —
- Coccyzus erythrophthalmus*

CAPRIMULGIDAE: Goatsuckers [3]

- Common Nighthawk — — —
- Chordeiles minor*
- Chuck-will's-widow — — —
- Antrostomus carolinensis*
- Eastern whip-poor-will — — —
- Antrostomus vociferus*

APODIDAE: Swifts [1]

- Chimney Swift — — —
- Chaetura pelagica*

TROCHILIDAE: Hummingbirds [1]

- Ruby-throated Hummingbird — — —
- Archilochus colubris*

RALLIDAE: Rails [1]

- American Coot — — —
- Fulica americana*

CHARADRIIDAE: Plovers [2]

- Semipalmated Plover — — —
- Charadrius semipalmatus*
- Killdeer — — —
- Charadrius vociferus*

SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers [6]

- Least Sandpiper — — —
- Calidris minutilla*
- American Woodcock — — —
- Scolopax minor*
- Spotted Sandpiper — — —
- Actitis macularius*
- Solitary Sandpiper — — —
- Tringa solitaria*
- Lesser Yellowlegs — — —
- Tringa flavipes*

SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers [6]

- Greater Yellowlegs — — —
- Tringa melanoleuca*
- LARIDAE: Gulls & Terns [2]**
- Ring-billed Gull — — —
- Larus delawarensis*
- Herring Gull — — —
- Larus argentatus*

PHALACROCORACIDAE: Cormorants [1]

- Double-crested Cormorant — — —
- Nannopterum auritus*

ARDEIDAE: Herons [6]

- American Bittern — — —
- Botaurus lentiginosus*
- Great Blue Heron — — —
- Ardea herodias*
- Great White Heron — — —
- Ardea herodias (in part)*
- 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 — o —
- Pandion haliaetus*

ACCIPITRIDAE: Eagles, Kites & Hawks [9]

- ~Bald Eagle — — —
- Haliaeetus leucocephalus*
- Northern Harrier — — —
- Circus hudsonius*
- Sharp-shinned Hawk — — —
- Accipiter striatus*
- Cooper's Hawk — — —
- Accipiter cooperii*
- Red-shouldered Hawk — — —
- Buteo lineatus*
- Broad-winged Hawk — — —
- Buteo platypterus*

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ACCIPITRIDAE: Eagles, Kites & Hawks [9]

- Red-tailed Hawk — — —
- Buteo jamaicensis*
- Rough-legged Hawk — — —
- Buteo lagopus*
- Golden Eagle — — —
- Aquila chrysaetos*

TYTONIDAE: Barn-owl [1]

- Barn Owl — — —
- Tyto alba*

STRIGIDAE: Owls [5]

- Eastern Screech-owl — — —
- Megascops asio*
- Great Horned Owl — — —
- Bubo virginianus*
- Barred Owl — — —
- Strix varia*
- Short-eared Owl — — —
- Asio flammeus*
- Northern Saw-whet Owl — — —
- Aegolius acadicus*

ALCEDINIDAE: Kingfisher [1]

- Belted Kingfisher — — —

*Megacyrle 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*
- Northern Flicker — — —
- Colaptes auratus*
- Pileated Woodpecker — — —
- Dryocopus pileatus*

FALCONIDAE: Falcons [3]

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

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FALCONIDAE: Falcons [3]

- Peregrine Falcon — — —
- Falco peregrinus*
- TYRANNIDAE: Flycatchers [7]**
- Eastern Wood-pewee — — —
- Contopus virens*
- Yellow-bellied Flycatcher — — —
- Empidonax flaviventris*
- Acadian Flycatcher — — —
- Empidonax virescens*
- Least Flycatcher — — —
- Empidonax minimus*
- ~Eastern Phoebe — — —
- Sayornis phoebe*
- Great Crested Flycatcher — — —
- Myiarchus crinitus*
- Eastern Kingbird — — —
- Tyrannus tyrannus*

VIREONIDAE: Vireos [6]

- White-eyed Vireo — — —
- Vireo griseus*
- Yellow-throated Vireo — — —
- Vireo flavifrons*
- Blue-headed (or Solitary) Vireo — — —
- Vireo solitarius*
- Philadelphia Vireo — — —
- Vireo philadelphicus*
- 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*

ALAUDIDAE: Larks [1]

- Horned Lark — — —
- Eremophila alpestris*

HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows [6]

- Purple Martin — — —
- Progne subis*

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HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows [6]

- Tree Swallow — — —
- Tachycineta bicolor*
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow — — —
- Stelgidopteryx serripennis*
- Bank Swallow — — —
- Riparia riparia*
- Cliff Swallow — — —
- Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*
- 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 [4]

- House Wren — — —
- Troglodytes aedon*
- Winter Wren — — —
- Troglodytes hiemalis*
- Marsh Wren — — —
- Cistothorus palustris*
- 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 [7]

- Eastern Bluebird — — —
- Sialia sialis*

TURDIDAE: Thrushes [7]

- Veery - - -
- *Catharus fuscescens*
- Gray-cheeked Thrush - - -
- *Catharus minimus*
- 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*

MOTACILLIDAE: Wagtails & Pipits [1]

- American Pipit - - -
- *Anthus rubescens*

FRINGILLIDAE: Finches [7]

- Evening Grosbeak - - -
- *Coccothraustes vespertinus*
- House Finch - - -
- *Haemorhous mexicanus*
- Purple Finch - - -
- *Haemorhous purpureus*
- Common Redpoll - - -
- *Acanthis flammea*
- Red Crossbill - - -
- *Loxia curvirostra*
- Pine Siskin - - -
- *Spinus pinus*

FRINGILLIDAE: Finches [7]

- American Goldfinch - - -
- *Spinus tristis*
- PASSERELLIDAE: [15]**
- ~Eastern Towhee - - -
- *Pipilo erythrophthalmus*
- American Tree Sparrow - - -
- *Spizelloides arborea*
- Chipping Sparrow - - -
- *Spizella passerina*
- Field Sparrow - - -
- *Spizella pusilla*
- Vesper Sparrow - - -
- *Pooecetes gramineus*
- Lark Sparrow - - -
- *Chondestes grammacus*
- Savannah Sparrow - - -
- *Passerculus sandwichensis*
- Grasshopper Sparrow - - -
- *Ammodramus savannarum*
- Fox Sparrow - - -
- *Passerella iliaca*
- Song Sparrow - - -
- *Melospiza melodia*
- Lincoln's Sparrow - - -
- *Melospiza lincolni*
- Swamp Sparrow - - -
- *Melospiza georgiana*
- White-throated Sparrow - - -
- *Zonotrichia albicollis*
- White-crowned Sparrow - - -
- *Zonotrichia leucophrys*
- Dark-eyed Junco - - -
- *Junco hyemalis*

ICTERIIDAE: [1]

- Yellow-breasted Chat - - -
- *Icteria virens*
- ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds & Orioles [8]**
- Bobolink - - -
- *Dolichonyx oryzivorus*
- Eastern Meadowlark - - -
- *Sturnella magna*
- Orchard Oriole - - -
- *Icterus spurius*

ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds & Orioles [8]

- Baltimore Oriole - - -
- *Icterus galbula*
- Red-winged Blackbird - - -
- *Agelaius phoeniceus*
- Brown-headed Cowbird - - -
- *Molothrus ater*
- Rusty Blackbird - - -
- *Euphagus carolinus*
- Common Grackle - - -
- *Quiscalus quiscula*
- PARULIDAE: Warblers [31]**
- Ovenbird - - -
- *Seiurus aurocapilla*
- Worm-eating Warbler (Mountain population) - - -
- *Helmitheros vermivorum*
- Louisiana Waterthrush - - -
- *Parkesia motacilla*
- Northern Waterthrush - - -
- *Parkesia noveboracensis*
- Golden-winged Warbler - - -
- *Vermivora chrysoptera*
- Blue-winged Warbler - - -
- *Vermivora cyanoptera*
- Black-and-white Warbler - - -
- *Mniotilla varia*
- Prothonotary Warbler - - -
- *Protonotaria citrea*
- Tennessee Warbler - - -
- *Leiothlypis peregrina*
- Nashville Warbler - - -
- *Leiothlypis ruficapilla*
- Kentucky Warbler - - -
- *Geothlypis formosa*
- Common Yellowthroat - - -
- *Geothlypis trichas*
- Hooded Warbler - - -
- *Setophaga citrina*
- American Redstart - - -
- *Setophaga ruticilla*
- Cape May Warbler - - -
- *Setophaga tigrina*
- Northern Parula - - -
- *Setophaga americana*

PARULIDAE: Warblers [31]

- Magnolia Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga magnolia*
- Bay-breasted Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga castanea*
- Blackburnian Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga fusca*
- Yellow Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga petechia*
- Chestnut-sided Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga pensylvanica*
- Blackpoll Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga striata*
- Black-throated Blue Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga caerulescens*
- Palm Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga palmarum*
- Pine Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga pinus*
- Yellow-rumped Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga coronata*
- Yellow-throated Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga dominica*
- Prairie Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga discolor*
- Black-throated Green Warbler - - - -
- Setophaga virens*
- Canada Warbler - - - -
- Cardellina canadensis*
- Wilson's Warbler - - - -
- Cardellina pusilla*

CARDINALIDAE: Grosbeaks & Buntings [6]

- Summer Tanager - - - -
- Piranga rubra*
- Scarlet Tanager - - - -
- Piranga olivacea*
- ~Northern Cardinal - - - -
- Cardinalis cardinalis*
- Rose-breasted Grosbeak - - - -
- Pheucticus ludovicianus*
- Blue Grosbeak - - - -
- Passerina caerulea*
- Indigo Bunting - - - -
- Passerina cyanea*