

A BIRD Checklist for Crowders Mountain State Park 166 taxa

Of the 473 species known from North Carolina, 166 have been recorded at the state park. Of these, 24 species are known to nest within the park. 8 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 Crowders Mountain 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>

166 BIRD taxa**ANATIDAE: Swans, Geese & Ducks [13]**

__	Canada Goose	- - - -
	<i>Branta canadensis</i>	
__	Wood Duck	- - - -
	<i>Aix sponsa</i>	
__	Blue-winged Teal	- - - -
	<i>Spatula discors</i>	
__	Gadwall	- - - -
	<i>Mareca strepera</i>	
__	American Wigeon	- - - -
	<i>Mareca americana</i>	
__	Mallard	- - - -
	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	
__	Northern Pintail	- - - -
	<i>Anas acuta</i>	
__	Ring-necked Duck	- - - -
	<i>Aythya collaris</i>	
__	Lesser Scaup	- - - -
	<i>Aythya affinis</i>	
__	Surf Scoter (historical)	- - - -
	<i>Melanitta perspicillata</i>	
__	Bufflehead	- - - -
	<i>Bucephala albeola</i>	
__	Hooded Merganser	- - - -
	<i>Lophodytes cucullatus</i>	
__	Red-breasted Merganser	- - - -
	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	

ODONTOPHORIDAE: Quail [1]

__	Northern Bobwhite	- - - -
	<i>Colinus virginianus</i>	

PHASIANIDAE: Grouse [1]

__	*Wild Turkey	C C - -
	<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>	

PODICIPEDIDAE: Grebes [1]

__	Pied-billed Grebe	- - - -
	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>	

COLUMBIDAE: Doves [2]

__	Rock Pigeon, Rock Dove	- - - -
	<i>Columba livia</i>	
__	Mourning Dove	- - - -
	<i>Zenaida macroura</i>	

CUCULIDAE: Cuckoos, Roadrunner & Anis [1]

__	~Yellow-billed Cuckoo	- - - -
	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>	

CAPRIMULGIDAE: Goatsuckers [3]

__	Common Nighthawk	- - - -
	<i>Chordeiles minor</i>	
__	Chuck-will's-widow	- - - -
	<i>Antrostomus carolinensis</i>	
__	Eastern whip-poor-will	- - - -
	<i>Antrostomus vociferus</i>	

APODIDAE: Swifts [1]

__	~Chimney Swift	- - - -
	<i>Chaetura pelagica</i>	

TROCHILIDAE: Hummingbirds [2]

__	*Ruby-throated Hummingbird	C C C -
	<i>Archilochus colubris</i>	
__	Calliope Hummingbird	- - X -
	<i>Selasphorus calliope</i>	

RALLIDAE: Rails [1]

__	American Coot	- - - -
	<i>Fulica americana</i>	

CHARADRIIDAE: Plovers [1]

__	Killdeer	- - - -
	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>	

SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers [5]

__	*American Woodcock	- - - -
	<i>Scolopax minor</i>	
__	Wilson's Snipe	- - - -
	<i>Gallinago delicata</i>	
__	Spotted Sandpiper	- - - -
	<i>Actitis macularia</i>	
__	Solitary Sandpiper	- - - -
	<i>Tringa solitaria</i>	
__	Greater Yellowlegs (historical)	- - - -
	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>	

LARIDAE: Gulls & Terns [1]

__	Ring-billed Gull	- - - -
	<i>Larus delawarensis</i>	

PHALACROCORACIDAE: Cormorants [1]

__	Double-crested Cormorant	- - - -
	<i>Nannopterum auritus</i>	

ARDEIDAE: Herons [5]

__	Great Blue Heron	- - - -
	<i>Ardea herodias</i>	
__	Great Egret	- - - -
	<i>Ardea alba</i>	
__	Little Blue Heron	- - - -
	<i>Egretta caerulea</i>	

ARDEIDAE: Herons [5]

__	Green Heron	- - - -
	<i>Butorides virescens</i>	
__	Yellow-crowned Night-heron	- - - -
	<i>Nyctanassa violacea</i>	

CATHARTIDAE: New World Vultures [2]

__	*Black Vulture	- - - -
	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>	
__	*Turkey Vulture	- - - -
	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	

PANDIONIDAE: Osprey [1]

__	Osprey	- - - -
	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	

ACCIPITRIDAE: Eagles, Kites & Hawks [7]

__	Bald Eagle	- - - -
	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	
__	Northern Harrier	- - - -
	<i>Circus hudsonius</i>	
__	Sharp-shinned Hawk	- - - -
	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>	
__	Cooper's Hawk	- - - -
	<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>	
__	Red-shouldered Hawk	- - - -
	<i>Buteo lineatus</i>	
__	Broad-winged Hawk	- - - -
	<i>Buteo platypterus</i>	
__	*Red-tailed Hawk	- - - -
	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>	

STRIGIDAE: Owls [3]

__	Eastern Screech-owl	- - - -
	<i>Megascops asio</i>	
__	*Great Horned Owl	- - - -
	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	
__	Barred Owl	F - - F
	<i>Strix varia</i>	

ALCEDINIDAE: Kingfisher [1]

__	~Belted Kingfisher	- - - -
	<i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>	

PICIDAE: Woodpeckers [6]

__	Red-bellied Woodpecker	- - - -
	<i>Melanerpes carolinus</i>	
__	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	- - - -
	<i>Sphyrapicus varius</i>	
__	*Downy Woodpecker	- - - -
	<i>Dryobates pubescens</i>	

PICIDAE: Woodpeckers [6]

- ___ ~Hairy Woodpecker - - - -
Picoides villosus
 ___ *Northern Flicker - - - -
Colaptes auratus
 ___ *Pileated Woodpecker - - - -
Dryocopus pileatus

FALCONIDAE: Falcons [3]

- ___ American Kestrel - - - -
Falco sparverius
 ___ Merlin (historical) - - - -
Falco columbarius
 ___ Peregrine Falcon - v - -
Falco peregrinus

TYRANNIDAE: Flycatchers [5]

- ___ Eastern Wood-pewee - - - -
Contopus virens
 ___ Acadian Flycatcher - - - -
Empidonax virens
 ___ *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
 ___ Philadelphia Vireo (historical) - - - -
Vireo philadelphicus
 ___ Red-eyed Vireo - - - -
Vireo olivaceus

CORVIDAE: Jays & Crows [3]

- ___ Blue Jay - - - -
Cyanocitta cristata
 ___ *American Crow - - - -
Corvus brachyrhynchos

CORVIDAE: Jays & Crows [3]

- ___ Common Raven - - - -
Corvus corax

HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows [5]

- ___ Purple Martin - - - -
Progne subis
 ___ Tree Swallow - - - -
Tachycineta bicolor
 ___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow - - - -
Stelgidopteryx serripennis
 ___ Bank Swallow (historical) - - - -
Riparia riparia
 ___ Barn Swallow - - - -
Hirundo rustica

PARIDAE: Chickadees & Titmice [2]

- ___ Carolina Chickadee - - - -
Poecile carolinensis
 ___ Tufted Titmouse - c - -
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 (historical) - - - -
Troglodytes aedon
 ___ Winter Wren - - - -
Troglodytes hiemalis
 ___ Marsh Wren (historical) - - - -
Cistothorus palustris
 ___ Carolina Wren - - - -
Thryothorus ludovicianus

POLIOPTILIDAE: Gnatcatchers [1]

- ___ *Blue-gray Gnatcatcher - - - -
Poliophtila caerulea

REGULIDAE: Kinglets [2]

- ___ Golden-crowned Kinglet - - - F
Regulus satrapa

REGULIDAE: Kinglets [2]

- ___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet - - - -
Corthylio calendula

TURDIDAE: Thrushes [6]

- ___ Eastern Bluebird - - - -
Sialia sialis
 ___ Veery (historical) - - - -
Catharus fuscescens
 ___ Gray-cheeked Thrush (historical) - - - -
Catharus minimus
 ___ 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

FRINGILLIDAE: Finches [5]

- ___ Evening Grosbeak - - - -
Coccothraustes vespertinus
 ___ House Finch - - - -
Haemorhous mexicanus
 ___ Purple Finch - - - -
Haemorhous purpureus
 ___ Pine Siskin - - - -
Spinus pinus
 ___ *American Goldfinch - - - -
Spinus tristis

PASSERELLIDAE: [10]

- ___ *Eastern Towhee - - - -
Pipilo erythrophthalmus
 ___ Chipping Sparrow - - - -
Spizella passerina

PASSERELLIDAE: [10]

__ Field Sparrow	- - - -
<i>Spizella pusilla</i>	
__ Vesper Sparrow	- - - -
<i>Pooecetes gramineus</i>	
__ Savannah Sparrow	- - - -
<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>	
__ Fox Sparrow	- - - -
<i>Passerella iliaca</i>	
__ Song Sparrow	- - - -
<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	
__ Swamp Sparrow	- - - -
<i>Melospiza georgiana</i>	
__ White-throated Sparrow	- - - -
<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>	
__ *Dark-eyed Junco	- - - -
<i>Junco hyemalis</i>	

ICTERIIDAE: [1]

__ *Yellow-breasted Chat	- - - -
<i>Icteria virens</i>	

ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds & Orioles [6]

__ Eastern Meadowlark	- - - -
<i>Sturnella magna</i>	
__ Orchard Oriole	- - - -
<i>Icterus spurius</i>	
__ Baltimore Oriole	- - - -
<i>Icterus galbula</i>	
__ Red-winged Blackbird	- - - -
<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	- - - -
<i>Molothrus ater</i>	
__ Common Grackle	- - - -
<i>Quiscalus quiscula</i>	

PARULIDAE: Warblers [33]

__ ~Ovenbird	- - - -
<i>Seiurus aurocapilla</i>	
__ ~Worm-eating Warbler (Mountain population).....	- - - -
<i>Helmitheros vermivorum</i>	
__ Louisiana Waterthrush	- - - -
<i>Parkesia motacilla</i>	
__ Northern Waterthrush	- - - -
<i>Parkesia noveboracensis</i>	
__ Golden-winged Warbler	- - - -
<i>Vermivora chrysoptera</i>	

PARULIDAE: Warblers [33]

__ Blue-winged Warbler (historical)	- - - -
<i>Vermivora cyanoptera</i>	
__ Black-and-white Warbler	- - - -
<i>Mniotilta varia</i>	
__ Prothonotary Warbler	- - - -
<i>Protonotaria citrea</i>	
__ Tennessee Warbler	- - - -
<i>Leiothlypis peregrina</i>	
__ Orange-crowned Warbler	- - - -
<i>Leiothlypis celata</i>	
__ Nashville Warbler (historical)	- - - -
<i>Leiothlypis ruficapilla</i>	
__ Connecticut Warbler (historical)	- - - -
<i>Oporornis agilis</i>	
__ Mourning Warbler (historical)	- - - -
<i>Geothlypis philadelphia</i>	
__ Kentucky Warbler	- - - -
<i>Geothlypis formosa</i>	
__ *Common Yellowthroat	- - - -
<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>	
__ *Hooded Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga citrina</i>	
__ American Redstart	- - - -
<i>Setophaga ruticilla</i>	
__ Cape May Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga tigrina</i>	
__ Cerulean Warbler (historical)	- - - -
<i>Setophaga cerulea</i>	
__ Northern Parula	- - - -
<i>Setophaga americana</i>	
__ Magnolia Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga magnolia</i>	
__ Bay-breasted Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga castanea</i>	
__ Blackburnian Warbler	R - R -
<i>Setophaga fusca</i>	
__ Yellow Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga petechia</i>	
__ Chestnut-sided Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga pensylvanica</i>	
__ Blackpoll Warbler (historical)	- - - -
<i>Setophaga striata</i>	
__ Black-throated Blue Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga caerulescens</i>	

PARULIDAE: Warblers [33]

__ Palm Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga palmarum</i>	
__ Pine Warbler	C - - -
<i>Setophaga pinus</i>	
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga coronata</i>	
__ Yellow-throated Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga dominica</i>	
__ Prairie Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga discolor</i>	
__ Black-throated Green Warbler	- - - -
<i>Setophaga virens</i>	
CARDINALIDAE: Grosbeaks & Buntings [6]	
__ Summer Tanager	- - - -
<i>Piranga rubra</i>	
__ Scarlet Tanager	- - - -
<i>Piranga olivacea</i>	
__ Northern Cardinal	- - - -
<i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i>	
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	- - - -
<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>	
__ Blue Grosbeak	- - - -
<i>Passerina caerulea</i>	
__ *Indigo Bunting	O O I I
<i>Passerina cyanea</i>	