

**A BIRD Checklist
for Weymouth Woods-Sandhills
Nature Preserve
166 taxa**

Of the 473 species known from North Carolina, 166 have been recorded at the state park. Of these, 42 species are known to nest within the park. 3 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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CHECKLIST
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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 [5]**

___ *Canada Goose	U U U U
___ <i>Branta canadensis</i>	
___ Wood Duck	U U U U
___ <i>Aix sponsa</i>	
___ Mallard	X - - -
___ <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	
___ Ring-necked Duck	- - - X
___ <i>Aythya collaris</i>	
___ Hooded Merganser	- - - -
___ <i>Lophodytes cucullatus</i>	

ODONTOPHORIDAE: Quail [1]

___ *Northern Bobwhite	U U U U
___ <i>Colinus virginianus</i>	

PHASIANIDAE: Grouse [1]

___ Wild Turkey	R R R R
___ <i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>	

COLUMBIDAE: Doves [2]

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

CUCULIDAE: Cuckoos, Roadrunner & Anis [2]

___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo	- - - -
___ <i>Coccyzus americanus</i>	
___ Black-billed Cuckoo	- - - -
___ <i>Coccyzus erythrophthalmus</i>	

CAPRIMULGIDAE: Goatsuckers [3]

___ *Common Nighthawk	U U R -
___ <i>Chordeiles minor</i>	
___ *Chuck-will's-widow	C C R -
___ <i>Antrostomus carolinensis</i>	
___ *Eastern whip-poor-will	U U R -
___ <i>Antrostomus vociferus</i>	

APODIDAE: Swifts [1]

___ *Chimney Swift	F F U -
___ <i>Chaetura pelagica</i>	

TROCHILIDAE: Hummingbirds [1]

___ *Ruby-throated Hummingbird	C C U -
___ <i>Archilochus colubris</i>	

CHARADRIIDAE: Plovers [1]

___ *Killdeer	R - - -
___ <i>Charadrius vociferus</i>	

SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers [5]

___ *American Woodcock	- - - R
___ <i>Scolopax minor</i>	
___ Wilson's Snipe	- - X -
___ <i>Gallinago delicata</i>	
___ Spotted Sandpiper	- - - -
___ <i>Actitis macularius</i>	
___ Solitary Sandpiper	X - - -
___ <i>Tringa solitaria</i>	
___ Lesser Yellowlegs	- - X -
___ <i>Tringa flavipes</i>	

LARIDAE: Gulls & Terns [1]

___ Ring-billed Gull	- - - R
___ <i>Larus delawarensis</i>	

GAVIIDAE: Loons [1]

___ Common Loon	R - - -
___ <i>Gavia immer</i>	

CICONIIDAE: Stork [1]

___ Wood Stork	- - - -
___ <i>Mycteria americana</i>	

PHALACROCORACIDAE: Cormorants [1]

___ Double-crested Cormorant	R - - R
___ <i>Nannopterum auritus</i>	

ANHINGIDAE: Anhinga [1]

___ Anhinga	- - - -
___ <i>Anhinga anhinga</i>	

ARDEIDAE: Herons [4]

___ Great Blue Heron	U U U U
___ <i>Ardea herodias</i>	
___ Great Egret	- R R -
___ <i>Ardea alba</i>	
___ Cattle Egret	- - - -
___ <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	
___ Green Heron	U U U -
___ <i>Butorides virescens</i>	

THRESKIORNITHIDAE: Ibis [1]

___ White Ibis	- X - -
___ <i>Eudocimus albus</i>	

CATHARTIDAE: New World Vultures [2]

___ Black Vulture	U R R R
___ <i>Coragyps atratus</i>	
___ Turkey Vulture	- - - -
___ <i>Cathartes aura</i>	

PANDIONIDAE: Osprey [1]

___ Osprey	R - R -
___ <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	

ACCIPITRIDAE: Eagles, Kites & Hawks [8]

___ Mississippi Kite	- - - -
___ <i>Ictinia mississippiensis</i>	
___ Bald Eagle	R - R -
___ <i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	
___ Northern Harrier	- - - X
___ <i>Circus hudsonius</i>	
___ *Sharp-shinned Hawk	U R U U
___ <i>Accipiter striatus</i>	
___ Cooper's Hawk	U U U U
___ <i>Accipiter cooperii</i>	
___ *Red-shouldered Hawk	U U U U
___ <i>Buteo lineatus</i>	
___ *Broad-winged Hawk	R R - R
___ <i>Buteo platypterus</i>	
___ *Red-tailed Hawk	C C C C
___ <i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>	

STRIGIDAE: Owls [3]

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

ALCEDINIDAE: Kingfisher [1]

___ Belted Kingfisher	R R R R
___ <i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>	

PICIDAE: Woodpeckers [8]

___ *Red-headed Woodpecker	U U U R
___ <i>Melanerpes erythrocephalus</i>	
___ *Red-bellied Woodpecker	C C F C
___ <i>Melanerpes carolinus</i>	
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	U - U F
___ <i>Sphyrapicus varius</i>	
___ Downy Woodpecker	- - - -
___ <i>Dryobates pubescens</i>	
___ *Hairy Woodpecker	U U U U
___ <i>Picoides villosus</i>	
___ *Red-cockaded Woodpecker	- - - -
___ <i>Dryobates borealis</i>	
___ *Northern Flicker	C C C C
___ <i>Colaptes auratus</i>	
___ Pileated Woodpecker	- - - -
___ <i>Dryocopus pileatus</i>	

FALCONIDAE: Falcons [3]

___ American Kestrel	U	R	U	R
<i>Falco sparverius</i>				
___ Merlin	-	-	R	R
<i>Falco columbarius</i>				
___ Peregrine Falcon	-	-	R	R
<i>Falco peregrinus</i>				

TYRANNIDAE: Flycatchers [7]

___ Olive-sided Flycatcher	-	-	-	-
<i>Contopus cooperi</i>				
___ Eastern Wood-pewee	-	-	-	-
<i>Contopus virens</i>				
___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	-	-	X	-
<i>Empidonax flaviventris</i>				
___ *Acadian Flycatcher	F	F	U	-
<i>Empidonax virescens</i>				
___ *Eastern Phoebe	U	U	U	F
<i>Sayornis phoebe</i>				
___ Great Crested Flycatcher	-	-	-	-
<i>Myiarchus crinitus</i>				
___ Eastern Kingbird	R	R	R	-
<i>Tyrannus tyrannus</i>				

LANIIDAE: Shrikes [1]

___ Loggerhead Shrike	R	-	-	R
<i>Lanius ludovicianus</i>				

VIREONIDAE: Vireos [6]

___ *White-eyed Vireo	F	U	U	-
<i>Vireo griseus</i>				
___ Yellow-throated Vireo	-	-	-	-
<i>Vireo flavifrons</i>				
___ *Blue-headed (or Solitary) Vireo	U	U	U	U
<i>Vireo solitarius</i>				
___ Philadelphia Vireo	X	-	-	-
<i>Vireo philadelphicus</i>				
___ Warbling Vireo	-	-	-	-
<i>Vireo gilvus</i>				
___ Red-eyed Vireo	-	-	-	-
<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>				

CORVIDAE: Jays & Crows [3]

___ Blue Jay	-	-	-	-
<i>Cyanocitta cristata</i>				
___ American Crow	-	-	-	-
<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>				
___ Fish Crow	C	C	C	R
<i>Corvus ossifragus</i>				

HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows [4]

___ Purple Martin	R	-	R	-
<i>Progne subis</i>				
___ Tree Swallow	-	-	X	-
<i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>				
___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	X	-	-	-
<i>Stelgidopteryx serripennis</i>				
___ Barn Swallow	R	-	R	-
<i>Hirundo rustica</i>				

PARIDAE: Chickadees & Titmice [2]

___ *Carolina Chickadee	C	C	C	C
<i>Poecile carolinensis</i>				
___ *Tufted Titmouse	C	C	C	C
<i>Baeolophus bicolor</i>				

SITTIDAE: Nuthatches [3]

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	I	-	I	I
<i>Sitta canadensis</i>				
___ White-breasted Nuthatch	-	-	-	-
<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>				
___ Brown-headed Nuthatch	-	-	-	-
<i>Sitta pusilla</i>				

CERTHIIDAE: Creeper [1]

___ Brown Creeper	R	-	R	U
<i>Certhia americana</i>				

TROGLODYTIDAE: Wrens [3]

___ House Wren	R	R	-	R
<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>				
___ Winter Wren	U	-	R	F
<i>Troglodytes hiemalis</i>				
___ Carolina Wren	-	-	-	-
<i>Thryothorus ludovicianus</i>				

POLIOPTILIDAE: Gnatcatchers [1]

___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	-	-	-	-
<i>Poliophtila caerulea</i>				

REGULIDAE: Kinglets [2]

___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	U	-	U	C
<i>Regulus satrapa</i>				
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	U	-	U	C
<i>Corthylio calendula</i>				

TURDIDAE: Thrushes [8]

___ Eastern Bluebird	-	-	-	-
<i>Sialia sialis</i>				
___ Veery	R	-	R	-
<i>Catharus fuscescens</i>				

TURDIDAE: Thrushes [8]

___ Gray-cheeked Thrush	R	-	R	-
<i>Catharus minimus</i>				
___ Bicknell's Thrush	-	-	X	-
<i>Catharus bicknelli</i>				
___ Swainson's Thrush	R	-	U	-
<i>Catharus ustulatus</i>				
___ Hermit Thrush	R	-	U	C
<i>Catharus guttatus</i>				
___ Wood Thrush	-	-	-	-
<i>Hylocichla mustelina</i>				
___ *American Robin	F	U	F	C
<i>Turdus migratorius</i>				

MIMIDAE: Mockingbirds & Thrashers [3]

___ *Gray Catbird	U	U	U	-
<i>Dumetella carolinensis</i>				
___ Brown Thrasher	-	-	-	-
<i>Toxostoma rufum</i>				
___ *Northern Mockingbird	C	F	C	C
<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>				

STURNIDAE: Starling [1]

___ European Starling	R	-	-	R
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>				

BOMBYCILLIDAE: Waxwings [1]

___ Cedar Waxwing	U	R	U	F
<i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i>				

PASSERIDAE: Old World Sparrows [1]

___ House Sparrow	-	-	-	V
<i>Passer domesticus</i>				

FRINGILLIDAE: Finches [5]

___ Evening Grosbeak	-	-	I	I
<i>Coccothraustes vespertinus</i>				
___ ~House Finch	R	R	R	R
<i>Haemorhous mexicanus</i>				
___ Purple Finch	-	-	I	I
<i>Haemorhous purpureus</i>				
___ Pine Siskin	I	I	-	I
<i>Spinus pinus</i>				
___ American Goldfinch	-	-	-	-
<i>Spinus tristis</i>				

PASSERELLIDAE: [10]

___ ~Eastern Towhee	-	-	-	-
<i>Pipilo erythrophthalmus</i>				
___ *Bachman's Sparrow	U	-	-	-
<i>Peucaea aestivalis</i>				

PASSERELLIDAE: [10]

___ Chipping Sparrow	-	-	-	-
<i>Spizella passerina</i>				
___ Field Sparrow	-	-	V	R
<i>Spizella pusilla</i>				
___ Savannah Sparrow	-	-	-	-
<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>				
___ Fox Sparrow	R	-	U	U
<i>Passerella iliaca</i>				
___ Song Sparrow	U	-	V	U
<i>Melospiza melodia</i>				
___ Swamp Sparrow	0	-	U	U
<i>Melospiza georgiana</i>				
___ White-throated Sparrow	F	-	F	C
<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>				
___ Dark-eyed Junco	U	-	F	C
<i>Junco hyemalis</i>				

ICTERIIDAE: [1]

___ *Yellow-breasted Chat	U	R	R	-
<i>Icteria virens</i>				

ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds & Orioles [7]

___ *Eastern Meadowlark	-	-	-	-
<i>Sturnella magna</i>				
___ ~Orchard Oriole	V	-	-	-
<i>Icterus spurius</i>				
___ Baltimore Oriole	-	-	-	-
<i>Icterus galbula</i>				
___ Red-winged Blackbird	0	-	0	U
<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>				
___ *Brown-headed Cowbird	U	U	-	-
<i>Molothrus ater</i>				
___ Rusty Blackbird	-	-	V	R
<i>Euphagus carolinus</i>				
___ Common Grackle	-	-	-	-
<i>Quiscalus quiscula</i>				

PARULIDAE: Warblers [32]

___ *Ovenbird	C	U	U	-
<i>Seiurus aurocapilla</i>				
___ Worm-eating Warbler (Mountain population).....	U	-	U	-
<i>Helmitheros vermivorum</i>				
___ *Louisiana Waterthrush	U	R	R	-
<i>Parkesia motacilla</i>				
___ Northern Waterthrush	R	-	R	-
<i>Parkesia noveboracensis</i>				

PARULIDAE: Warblers [32]

___ Blue-winged Warbler	R	-	-	-
<i>Vermivora cyanoptera</i>				
___ Black-and-white Warbler	-	-	-	-
<i>Mniotilta varia</i>				
___ *Prothonotary Warbler	U	R	R	-
<i>Protonotaria citrea</i>				
___ Swainson's Warbler	R	-	-	-
<i>Limnithlypis swainsonii</i>				
___ Tennessee Warbler	-	-	R	-
<i>Leiothlypis peregrina</i>				
___ Nashville Warbler	-	-	V	-
<i>Leiothlypis ruficapilla</i>				
___ Mourning Warbler	-	-	X	-
<i>Geothlypis philadelphia</i>				
___ *Kentucky Warbler	U	R	R	-
<i>Geothlypis formosa</i>				
___ *Common Yellowthroat	F	U	U	-
<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>				
___ Hooded Warbler	-	-	-	-
<i>Setophaga citrina</i>				
___ American Redstart	U	-	F	-
<i>Setophaga ruticilla</i>				
___ Cape May Warbler	-	-	V	-
<i>Setophaga tigrina</i>				
___ Cerulean Warbler	V	-	-	-
<i>Setophaga cerulea</i>				
___ *Northern Parula	U	U	R	-
<i>Setophaga americana</i>				
___ Magnolia Warbler	U	-	U	-
<i>Setophaga magnolia</i>				
___ Bay-breasted Warbler	V	-	V	-
<i>Setophaga castanea</i>				
___ Blackburnian Warbler	-	-	V	-
<i>Setophaga fusca</i>				
___ Yellow Warbler	-	-	-	-
<i>Setophaga petechia</i>				
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler	R	-	R	-
<i>Setophaga pensylvanica</i>				
___ Blackpoll Warbler	V	-	-	-
<i>Setophaga striata</i>				
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler	F	-	F	-
<i>Setophaga caerulescens</i>				
___ Palm Warbler	R	-	-	-
<i>Setophaga palmarum</i>				

PARULIDAE: Warblers [32]

___ Pine Warbler	-	-	-	-
<i>Setophaga pinus</i>				
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler	U	-	F	U
<i>Setophaga coronata</i>				
___ *Yellow-throated Warbler	F	F	R	-
<i>Setophaga dominica</i>				
___ Prairie Warbler	-	-	-	-
<i>Setophaga discolor</i>				
___ Black-throated Green Warbler	R	-	R	-
<i>Setophaga virens</i>				
___ Canada Warbler	X	-	-	-
<i>Cardellina canadensis</i>				

CARDINALIDAE: Grosbeaks & Buntings [6]

___ Summer Tanager	-	-	-	-
<i>Piranga rubra</i>				
___ Scarlet Tanager	U	V	U	-
<i>Piranga olivacea</i>				
___ Northern Cardinal	-	-	-	-
<i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i>				
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	R	-	R	-
<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>				
___ *Blue Grosbeak	U	U	R	-
<i>Passerina caerulea</i>				
___ Indigo Bunting	-	-	-	-
<i>Passerina cyanea</i>				