

## A BIRD Checklist for William B. Umstead State Park 145 taxa

Of the 473 species known from North Carolina, 145 have been recorded at the state park. Of these, 9 species are known to nest within the park. 28 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 William B. Umstead 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>

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

__ *Canada Goose .....	- - - -
<i>Branta canadensis</i>	
__ Mute Swan .....	- - - x
<i>Cygnus olor</i>	
__ ~Wood Duck .....	- - - -
<i>Aix sponsa</i>	
__ Blue-winged Teal .....	- - - -
<i>Spatula discors</i>	
__ Northern Shoveler .....	- - - -
<i>Spatula clypeata</i>	
__ Gadwall .....	- - - -
<i>Mareca strepera</i>	
__ American Wigeon .....	- - - -
<i>Mareca americana</i>	
__ Mallard .....	- - - -
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	
__ American Black Duck .....	- - - -
<i>Anas rubripes</i>	
__ Green-winged Teal .....	- - - -
<i>Anas crecca</i>	
__ Ring-necked Duck .....	- - - -
<i>Aythya collaris</i>	
__ Surf Scoter .....	x - - -
<i>Melanitta perspicillata</i>	
__ Bufflehead .....	- - - -
<i>Bucephala albeola</i>	
__ Hooded Merganser .....	- - - -
<i>Lophodytes cucullatus</i>	
__ Ruddy Duck .....	- - - -
<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>	
<b>ODONTOPHORIDAE: Quail [1]</b>	
__ Northern Bobwhite .....	- - - -
<i>Colinus virginianus</i>	
<b>PHASIANIDAE: Grouse [1]</b>	
__ Wild Turkey .....	U U U -
<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>	
<b>PODICIPEDIDAE: Grebes [1]</b>	
__ Pied-billed Grebe .....	- - - -
<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>	
<b>COLUMBIDAE: Doves [1]</b>	
__ Mourning Dove .....	- - - -
<i>Zenaida macroura</i>	

**CUCULIDAE: Cuckoos, Roadrunner & Anis [1]**

__ ~Yellow-billed Cuckoo .....	- - - -
<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>	
<b>APODIDAE: Swifts [1]</b>	
__ Chimney Swift .....	- - - -
<i>Chaetura pelagica</i>	
<b>TROCHILIDAE: Hummingbirds [1]</b>	
__ Ruby-throated Hummingbird .....	- - - -
<i>Archilochus colubris</i>	
<b>CHARADRIIDAE: Plovers [1]</b>	
__ *Killdeer .....	- - - -
<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>	
<b>SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers [3]</b>	
__ American Woodcock .....	- - - -
<i>Scolopax minor</i>	
__ Spotted Sandpiper .....	- - - -
<i>Actitis macularius</i>	
__ Lesser Yellowlegs .....	- - - -
<i>Tringa flavipes</i>	
<b>LARIDAE: Gulls &amp; Terns [3]</b>	
__ Ring-billed Gull .....	- - - -
<i>Larus delawarensis</i>	
__ Herring Gull .....	- - - -
<i>Larus argentatus</i>	
__ Caspian Tern .....	- - - -
<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	
<b>GAVIIDAE: Loons [1]</b>	
__ Common Loon .....	- - - R
<i>Gavia immer</i>	
<b>PHALACROCORACIDAE: Cormorants [1]</b>	
__ Double-crested Cormorant .....	- - - -
<i>Nannopterum auritus</i>	
<b>ANHINGIDAE: Anhinga [1]</b>	
__ Anhinga .....	v - - -
<i>Anhinga anhinga</i>	
<b>ARDEIDAE: Herons [5]</b>	
__ American Bittern .....	- - - -
<i>Botaurus lentiginosus</i>	
__ Great Blue Heron .....	- - - -
<i>Ardea herodias</i>	
__ Great Egret .....	- - - -
<i>Ardea alba</i>	
__ Snowy Egret .....	- - - -
<i>Egretta thula</i>	

**ARDEIDAE: Herons [5]**

__ Green Heron .....	- - - -
<i>Butorides virescens</i>	
<b>CATHARTIDAE: New World Vultures [2]</b>	
__ Black Vulture .....	- - - -
<i>Coragyps atratus</i>	
__ Turkey Vulture .....	- - - -
<i>Cathartes aura</i>	
<b>PANDIONIDAE: Osprey [1]</b>	
__ Osprey .....	- - - -
<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	
<b>ACCIPITRIDAE: Eagles, Kites &amp; Hawks [8]</b>	
__ 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>	
__ Northern Goshawk .....	- - - x
<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	
__ Red-shouldered Hawk .....	- - - -
<i>Buteo lineatus</i>	
__ Broad-winged Hawk .....	- - - -
<i>Buteo platypterus</i>	
__ Red-tailed Hawk .....	- - - -
<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>	
<b>STRIGIDAE: Owls [2]</b>	
__ ~Great Horned Owl .....	- - - -
<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	
__ ~Barred Owl .....	- - - -
<i>Strix varia</i>	
<b>ALCEDINIDAE: Kingfisher [1]</b>	
__ ~Belted Kingfisher .....	- - - -
<i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>	
<b>PICIDAE: Woodpeckers [7]</b>	
__ ~Red-headed Woodpecker .....	- - - -
<i>Melanerpes erythrocephalus</i>	
__ ~Red-bellied Woodpecker .....	F F F R
<i>Melanerpes carolinus</i>	
__ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker .....	- - - -
<i>Sphyrapicus varius</i>	
__ ~Downy Woodpecker .....	F F F F
<i>Dryobates pubescens</i>	

**PICIDAE: Woodpeckers [7]**

___ ~Hairy Woodpecker .....	- - - -
<i>Picoides villosus</i>	
___ ~Northern Flicker .....	- - - -
<i>Colaptes auratus</i>	
___ ~Pileated Woodpecker .....	- - - -
<i>Dryocopus pileatus</i>	

**FALCONIDAE: Falcons [1]**

___ American Kestrel .....	- - - -
<i>Falco sparverius</i>	

**TYRANNIDAE: Flycatchers [6]**

___ Eastern Wood-pewee .....	- - - -
<i>Contopus virens</i>	
___ ~Acadian Flycatcher .....	- - - -
<i>Empidonax virescens</i>	
___ Eastern Phoebe .....	- - - -
<i>Sayornis phoebe</i>	
___ Great Crested Flycatcher .....	- - - -
<i>Myiarchus crinitus</i>	
___ Eastern Kingbird .....	- - - -
<i>Tyrannus tyrannus</i>	
___ Gray Kingbird (historical) .....	- - - -
<i>Tyrannus dominicensis</i>	

**VIREONIDAE: Vireos [4]**

___ White-eyed Vireo .....	- - - -
<i>Vireo griseus</i>	
___ ~Yellow-throated Vireo .....	- - - -
<i>Vireo flavifrons</i>	
___ ~Blue-headed (or Solitary) Vireo .....	- - - U
<i>Vireo solitarius</i>	
___ *Red-eyed Vireo .....	- - - -
<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>	

**CORVIDAE: Jays & Crows [4]**

___ *Blue Jay .....	- - - -
<i>Cyanocitta cristata</i>	
___ American Crow .....	- - - -
<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>	
___ Fish Crow .....	- - - -
<i>Corvus ossifragus</i>	
___ Common Raven .....	- - V R
<i>Corvus corax</i>	

**HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows [2]**

___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow .....	- - - -
<i>Stelgidopteryx serripennis</i>	

**HIRUNDINIDAE: Swallows [2]**

___ Barn Swallow .....	- - - -
<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	

**PARIDAE: Chickadees & Titmice [2]**

___ ~Carolina Chickadee .....	F F F F
<i>Poecile carolinensis</i>	
___ ~Tufted Titmouse .....	F F F F
<i>Baeolophus bicolor</i>	

**SITTIDAE: Nuthatches [3]**

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch .....	- - - -
<i>Sitta canadensis</i>	
___ *White-breasted Nuthatch .....	F F F F
<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>	
___ ~Brown-headed Nuthatch .....	- - - -
<i>Sitta pusilla</i>	

**CERTHIIDAE: Creeper [1]**

___ Brown Creeper .....	- - - -
<i>Certhia americana</i>	

**TROGLODYTIDAE: Wrens [3]**

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

**POLIOPTILIDAE: Gnatcatchers [1]**

___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher .....	- - - -
<i>Polioptila caerulea</i>	

**REGULIDAE: Kinglets [2]**

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

**TURDIDAE: Thrushes [5]**

___ ~Eastern Bluebird .....	- - - F
<i>Sialia sialis</i>	
___ Veery .....	- - - -
<i>Catharus fuscescens</i>	
___ Hermit Thrush .....	- - - -
<i>Catharus guttatus</i>	
___ ~Wood Thrush .....	- - - -
<i>Hylocichla mustelina</i>	
___ American Robin .....	- - - -
<i>Turdus migratorius</i>	

**MIMIDAE: Mockingbirds & Thrashers [3]**

___ Gray Catbird .....	- - - -
<i>Dumetella carolinensis</i>	
___ Brown Thrasher .....	- - - -
<i>Toxostoma rufum</i>	
___ Northern Mockingbird .....	- - - -
<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>	

**BOMBYCILLIDAE: Waxwings [1]**

___ Cedar Waxwing .....	- - - -
<i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i>	

**PASSERIDAE: Old World Sparrows [1]**

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

**MOTACILLIDAE: Wagtails & Pipits [1]**

___ American Pipit .....	- - - -
<i>Anthus rubescens</i>	

**FRINGILLIDAE: Finches [4]**

___ House Finch .....	- - - -
<i>Haemorhous mexicanus</i>	
___ Purple Finch .....	- - - -
<i>Haemorhous purpureus</i>	
___ Pine Siskin .....	- - - -
<i>Spinus pinus</i>	
___ American Goldfinch .....	- - - -
<i>Spinus tristis</i>	

**PASSERELLIDAE: [10]**

___ Eastern Towhee .....	- - - -
<i>Pipilo erythrophthalmus</i>	
___ ~Chipping Sparrow .....	- - - -
<i>Spizella passerina</i>	
___ ~Field Sparrow .....	- - - -
<i>Spizella pusilla</i>	
___ Vesper Sparrow .....	- - - -
<i>Pooecetes gramineus</i>	
___ Fox Sparrow .....	- - - -
<i>Passerella iliaca</i>	
___ *Song Sparrow .....	- - - C
<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	
___ Swamp Sparrow .....	- - - -
<i>Melospiza georgiana</i>	
___ White-throated Sparrow .....	- - - C
<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>	
___ White-crowned Sparrow .....	- - - -
<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys</i>	

**PASSERELLIDAE: [10]**

\_\_\_ Dark-eyed Junco ..... - - - C  
*Junco hyemalis*

**ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds & Orioles [5]**

\_\_\_ Eastern Meadowlark ..... - - - -  
*Sturnella magna*  
 \_\_\_ ~Orchard Oriole ..... - - - -  
*Icterus spurius*  
 \_\_\_ Red-winged Blackbird ..... - - - -  
*Agelaius phoeniceus*  
 \_\_\_ Brown-headed Cowbird ..... - - - -  
*Molothrus ater*  
 \_\_\_ Common Grackle ..... - - - -  
*Quiscalus quiscula*

**PARULIDAE: Warblers [22]**

\_\_\_ Ovenbird ..... - - - -  
*Seiurus aurocapilla*  
 \_\_\_ Worm-eating Warbler (Mountain population)..... v - - -  
*Helmitheros vermivorum*  
 \_\_\_ ~Louisiana Waterthrush ..... - - - -  
*Parkesia motacilla*  
 \_\_\_ Northern Waterthrush ..... - - - -  
*Parkesia noveboracensis*  
 \_\_\_ ~Black-and-white Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Mniotilta varia*  
 \_\_\_ Prothonotary Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Protonotaria citrea*  
 \_\_\_ Common Yellowthroat ..... - - - -  
*Geothlypis trichas*  
 \_\_\_ Hooded Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga citrina*  
 \_\_\_ ~American Redstart ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga ruticilla*  
 \_\_\_ Cape May Warbler ..... v - - -  
*Setophaga tigrina*  
 \_\_\_ \*Northern Parula ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga americana*  
 \_\_\_ Magnolia Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga magnolia*  
 \_\_\_ Yellow Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga petechia*  
 \_\_\_ Chestnut-sided Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga pensylvanica*

**PARULIDAE: Warblers [22]**

\_\_\_ Blackpoll Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga striata*  
 \_\_\_ Black-throated Blue Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga caerulescens*  
 \_\_\_ ~Pine Warbler ..... - - - C  
*Setophaga pinus*  
 \_\_\_ Yellow-rumped Warbler ..... - - - F  
*Setophaga coronata*  
 \_\_\_ \*Yellow-throated Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga dominica*  
 \_\_\_ Prairie Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga discolor*  
 \_\_\_ Black-throated Green Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Setophaga virens*  
 \_\_\_ Canada Warbler ..... - - - -  
*Cardellina canadensis*

**CARDINALIDAE: Grosbeaks & Buntings [6]**

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