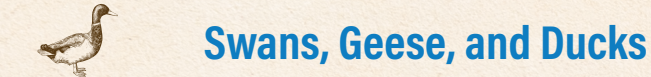


Loons, Grebes, Cormorant, Herons, and Ibises

✓ Bird	s	S	F	W
Red-Throated Loon	r	X	r	X
Common Loon	o	X	o	r
Horned Grebe	u		u	o
Pied-billed Grebe*	u	o	u	o
Red-necked Grebe	X	X		X
Eared Grebe	X			
American White Pelican	X	X		X
Brown Pelican		X		X
Great Cormorant		X	X	X
Double-crested Cormorant	c	u	c	o
Least Bittern*	u	u	u	
American Bittern	u	X	u	X
Black-crowned Night Heron	o	o	o	o
Yellow-crowned Night Heron	r	r	X	
Green Heron	u	u	c	
Tricolored Heron	r	r	o	
Little Blue Heron	o	o	o	
Cattle Egret	o	r	o	
Snowy Egret	o	o	o	
Great Egret	u	c	c	r
Great Blue Heron*	c	c	c	c
Roseate Spoonbill		X		
Wood Stork		X		
Glossy Ibis	o	r	o	
White Ibis	X	X	X	



Swans, Geese, and Ducks

✓ Bird	s	S	F	W
Trumpeter Swan	r	X		X
Tundra Swan	c		c	u
Mute Swan	r	r	r	r
Greater White-fronted Goose	X			X
Ross's Goose				r
Snow Goose (white & blue)	o		o	o
Canada Goose*	c	u	a	a
Cackling Goose	r		r	r

✓ Bird	s	S	F	W
Black-bellied Whistling Duck		X	X	
Fulvous Whistling Duck		X	X	X
Wood Duck*	a	a	a	o
Mallard*	a	c	a	a
American Black Duck*	a	o	a	a
Gadwall	u		u	o
Green-winged Teal	c	X	a	u
American Wigeon	u		u	o
Eurasian Wigeon	X		X	
Northern Pintail	u		c	u
Northern Shoveler	u		u	o
Blue-winged Teal*	c	o	c	
Canvasback	o		o	o
Redhead	r		r	r
Ring-necked Duck	o		u	o
Greater Scaup	o		o	o
Lesser Scaup	o		u	o
Surf Scoter	r		r	X
Black Scoter	r		r	X
White-winged Scoter			r	r
Long-tailed Duck	r		r	r
Common Goldeneye	o		o	o
Bufflehead	u	r	u	o
Common Merganser	c	r	o	c
Red-breasted Merganser	u	X	o	o
Hooded Merganser	u	o	o	o
Ruddy Duck	u	r	u	u



Vultures, Hawks, Eagles, Bobwhite, and Rails

✓ Bird	s	S	F	W
Turkey Vulture*	c	c	c	c
Black Vulture*	c	c	c	c
Osprey*	c	c	u	
Swallow-tailed Kite	X			
Mississippi Kite	X		X	
Northern Harrier	u	r	u	c
Golden Eagle	r		r	r
Bald Eagle*	c	c	c	c

✓ Bird	s	S	F	W
Sharp-shinned Hawk	u		c	u
Cooper's Hawk*	u	o	c	u
Northern Goshawk	X			X
Broad-winged Hawk*	o	X	o	
Red-shouldered Hawk*	c	u	u	c
Red-tailed Hawk*	c	u	c	c
Rough-legged Hawk			X	X
American Kestrel*	o	r	u	u
Merlin	o		o	o
Peregrine Falcon	r		o	r
Ring-necked Pheasant			X	
Wild Turkey*	u	u	u	u
Northern Bobwhite*	X	X	X	X
Limpkin	X		X	
King Rail*	r	X	u	r
Clapper Rail	X		X	
Virginia Rail*	o	o	c	o
Sora	u	r	a	o
Yellow Rail			X	X
Black Rail	X		X	
Purple Gallinule		X		
Common Gallinule*	r	r	o	
American Coot	u	r	u	u
Sandhill Crane	X			X



Plovers, Snipe, and Sandpipers

✓ Bird	s	S	F	W
Black-Bellied Plover	o		o	r
American Golden Plover	X		X	
Semipalmated Plover	u	o	o	
Killdeer*	c	c	c	u
American Avocet	X		X	
Black-necked Stilt	X		X	
Willet	X	X	X	
Hudsonian Godwit			X	
Greater Yellowlegs	c	r	c	r
Lesser Yellowlegs	c	r	u	X
Solitary Sandpiper	u	o	u	

Birds of the Patuxent River—Jug Bay Area

The Jug Bay area on the Patuxent River provides some of the most outstanding birding to be found in Maryland. The National Audubon Society designated Jug Bay a "Nationally Important Bird Area" because of its high numbers and diversity of birds. This valuable region contains a variety of habitats: open water, tidal freshwater marshes and mudflats, shrub-scrub swamps, forested uplands, and open fields. The Jug Bay area includes the Patuxent River Park and Merkle Wildlife Sanctuary in Prince George's County, the Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary in Anne Arundel County and is a component of the Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve in Maryland. More than 300 species have been identified with over 100 confirmed as nesting. Known for its highly productive freshwater tidal marshes, Jug Bay attracts large concentrations of waterfowl and marsh birds and provides a critical stopover for many neo-tropical migrants. Staff and volunteers combined resources to produce this checklist. Additional species not included are always possible. Please record all nesting and any new sightings at either visitor center's bird sightings list.

List Coding

Most birds are migratory, therefore their occurrence is coded by season:

- (s) Spring March–May

(S) Summer June–August

(F) Fall September–November

(W) Winter December–February

Relative Abundance:

(*) Nesting has been confirmed in the area.

(a) Abundant—very numerous species.
- (c) Common—present in suitable habitat.

(u) Uncommon—present, not always seen.

(o) Occasional—only a few sightings/season.

(r) Rare—seen every two to five years.

(X) Recorded sighting but very rare.



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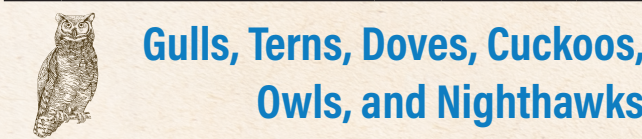
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Bird Checklist of the Patuxent River



Jug Bay Area

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Spotted Sandpiper	c	r	c	
	Upland Sandpiper	X	X	X	
	Ruddy Turnstone	X		X	
	Red Knot	X			
	Sanderling	X		X	
	Dunlin	o		o	r
	Semipalmated Sandpiper	o		u	r
	Western Sandpiper	r		o	X
	Least Sandpiper	o	o	u	
	White-rumped Sandpiper	r		r	
	Baird's Sandpiper		X	X	
	Pectoral Sandpiper	o	r	o	
	Ruff	X		X	
	Stilt Sandpiper	X		X	
	Long-billed Dowitcher			X	
	Short-billed Dowitcher	r		r	
	American Woodcock*	o	r	o	o
	Wilson's Snipe	c	X	c	c
	Wilson's Phalarope			X	
	Red Phalarope			X	
	Red-necked Phalarope			X	



Gulls, Terns, Doves, Cuckoos, Owls, and Nighthawks

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Franklin's Gull	X		X	
	Laughing Gull	c	u	c	o
	Bonaparte's Gull	u		o	r
	Black-headed Gull	X			X
	Ring-billed Gull	a	u	a	a
	Herring Gull	a	o	c	a
	Glaucous Gull				X
	Iceland Gull	X		X	X
	Lesser Black-backed Gull	o		o	u
	Great Black-backed Gull	u		u	c
	Black-legged Kittiwake			X	
	Sooty Tern		X		
	Royal Tern	r		r	X
	Caspian Tern	u	o	u	

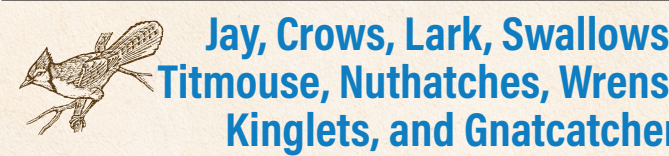
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	Forster's Tern	c	o	c	r
	Common Tern	r	r	r	
	Arctic Tern		X		
	Least Tern	r	r	r	
	Black Tern	r	r	r	
	Bridled Tern		X		
	Black Skimmer	X	X	X	
	Rock Dove*	u	u	u	u
	Mourning Dove*	a	a	a	a
	Yellow-billed Cuckoo*	c	c	c	
	Black-billed Cuckoo	r	X	r	
	Barn Owl*	u	u	u	u
	Short-eared Owl	r		X	X
	Long-eared Owl	X			X
	Great Horned Owl*	c	c	c	c
	Barred Owl*	c	c	c	c
	Eastern Screech Owl*	o	o	o	o
	Northern Saw-whet Owl	X		u	u
	Common Nighthawk	o	X	o	
	Chuck-will's Widow	X	X	X	
	Eastern Whip-poor-will*	X	X	X	
	Chimney Swift*	c	c	a	



Hummingbird, Kingfisher, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, and Shrike

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	c	c	c	
	Belted Kingfisher*	c	c	c	u
	Red-headed Woodpecker*	o	o	o	o
	Red-bellied Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c
	Northern Flicker*	c	u	c	c
	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	u		c	u
	Downy Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c
	Hairy Woodpecker*	u	u	u	u
	Pileated Woodpecker*	u	u	u	u
	Olive-sided Flycatcher	X		r	
	Eastern Wood Pewee*	c	c	c	
	Acadian Flycatcher*	c	c	u	

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher			r	
	Alder Flycatcher	r		X	
	Willow Flycatcher	o	r	o	
	Least Flycatcher	o	X	u	
	Eastern Phoebe*	c	c	c	o
	Great Crested Flycatcher*	c	c	u	
	Gray Kingbird			X	
	Eastern Kingbird*	c	c	c	
	Western Kingbird			X	
	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher		X		
	Loggerhead Shrike			X	X
	White-eyed Vireo*	c	c	u	X
	Yellow-throated Vireo*	u	u	u	
	Blue-headed Vireo	o		u	
	Red-eyed Vireo*	a	a	a	
	Philadelphia Vireo	X		o	
	Warbling Vireo	o		o	



Jay, Crows, Lark, Swallows, Titmouse, Nuthatches, Wrens, Kinglets, and Gnatcatcher

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Blue Jay*	a	c	a	a
	Common Raven	o	r	o	o
	American Crow*	a	a	a	a
	Fish Crow*	c	c	c	c
	Horned Lark*	u	r	r	o
	Tree Swallow*	a	c	a	
	Purple Martin*	u	u	u	
	Bank Swallow*	o	u	o	
	Cliff Swallow*	o	r	o	
	Cave Swallow			X	
	Rough-winged Swallow	u	u	o	
	Barn Swallow*	a	a	a	
	Tufted Titmouse*	a	a	a	a
	Black-capped Chickadee	X		X	X
	Carolina Chickadee*	a	a	a	a
	Brown Creeper	o		u	u
	White-breasted Nuthatch*	c	u	c	c

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Red-breasted Nuthatch	o		o	o
	Brown-headed Nuthatch		X		
	House Wren*	u	r	u	r
	Winter Wren	o		u	u
	Carolina Wren*	a	a	a	a
	Marsh Wren*	c	c	u	o
	Sedge Wren	X		X	
	Golden-crowned Kinglet	u		u	u
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	u		c	u
	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	c	c	u	



Mimids, Thrushes, Pipit, and Waxwing

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Eastern Bluebird*	c	c	c	u
	Wood Thrush*	a	a	a	
	Veery	u	X	u	
	Gray-cheeked Thrush	u		u	
	Bicknell's Thrush	r		u	
	Swainson's Thrush	c		c	
	Hermit Thrush	u		c	c
	American Robin*	a	a	a	c
	Gray Catbird*	c	u	a	o
	Northern Mockingbird*	a	a	a	a
	Brown Thrasher*	c	c	c	u
	European Starling*	c	c	c	a
	American Pipit	o		u	u
	Cedar Waxwing*	c	u	u	c



Warblers and Tanagers

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Prothonotary Warbler*	u	u	u	
	Blue-winged Warbler	o		o	
	Golden-winged Warbler	r		r	
	Tennessee Warbler	o		o	
	Orange-crowned Warbler	X		X	
	Nashville Warbler	o		u	
	Northern Parula Warbler*	c	c	c	
	Chestnut-sided Warbler	u		u	

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Cape May Warbler	u		u	
	Magnolia Warbler	u		c	
	Yellow-rumped Warbler	c		c	u
	Black and White Warbler*	c	u	c	
	Black-throated Blue Warbler	u		u	
	Cerulean Warbler	r		r	
	Blackburnian Warbler	o		o	
	Black-throated Green Warbler	u		u	
	Yellow-throated Warbler*	u	u	u	
	Prairie Warbler*	o	u	o	
	Bay-breasted Warbler	o		o	
	Blackpoll Warbler	c	X	u	
	Pine Warbler*	u	u	u	r
	Palm Warbler	u		c	o
	Yellow Warbler*	c	u	u	
	Mourning Warbler	r		r	
	Connecticut Warbler			o	
	Kentucky Warbler*	o	r	r	
	Canada Warbler	u	X	u	
	Wilson's Warbler	o		o	
	Hooded Warbler*	u	u	u	
	Worm-eating Warbler*	u	r	u	
	Ovenbird*	c	c	c	
	Louisiana Waterthrush*	c	u	r	
	Northern Waterthrush	u	r	u	
	Common Yellowthroat*	c	c	c	u
	Yellow-breasted Chat*	c	u	u	X
	American Redstart*	c	u	c	
	Summer Tanager*	u	u	o	
	Scarlet Tanager*	c	c	c	



Sparrows, Grosbeaks, Buntings, and Blackbirds

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Eastern Towhee*	c	c	c	u
	American Tree Sparrow	o		o	u
	Field Sparrow*	c	c	c	u
	Chipping Sparrow*	c	c	c	r
	Lark Sparrow	X			X

✓	Bird	s	S	F	W
	Grasshopper Sparrow*	u	u	u	X
	Nelson's Sparrow	X		X	
	Seaside Sparrow	X		X	
	Fox Sparrow	u		u	u
	Savannah Sparrow	u		u	u
	Lincoln's Sparrow	r		u	X
	Song Sparrow*	c	u	a	c
	Vesper Sparrow	r	X	r	
	Swamp Sparrow	c	X	c	u
	Harris's Sparrow				X
	White-throated Sparrow	a		a	a
	White-crowned Sparrow	o		u	o
	Dark-eyed Junco	a		u	a
	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	u		u	
	Northern Cardinal*	a	a	a	a
	Dickcissel		X	X	
	Blue Grosbeak*	c	c	c	
	Indigo Bunting*	a	a	a	
	Painted Bunting				X
	Bobolink	o	r	u	
	Eastern Meadowlark*	u	o	u	o
	Yellow-headed Blackbird	X			X
	Red-winged Blackbird*	a	a	a	a
	Common Grackle*	a	a	a	c
	Brewer's Blackbird				X
	Rusty Blackbird	u		u	u
	Brown-headed Cowbird*	c	u	c	u
	Orchard Oriole*	c	c	o	
	Baltimore Oriole*	u	r	u	r
	Purple Finch	o		o	o
	House Finch*	c	c	c	c
	Red Crossbill	r			r
	White-winged Crossbill				r
	Pine Siskin	o		o	o
	American Goldfinch*	c	c	c	c
	Common Redpoll	X			X
	Evening Grosbeak	X		r	r
	House Sparrow*	u	u	u	u
	Lapland Longspur				r
	Snow Bunting			X	