

A PRELIMINARY LIST OF BIRDS
OF MOUNT DESERT AND ADJACENT ISLANDS

205 Native Species

1927

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- Miss C. F. Boyden, of Washington, D. C., and Bar Harbor, Maine.
- Mr. Hanscomb, of Hulls Cove, Mt. Desert Island, school teacher.
- Mr. Filiettaz, of Bar Harbor, Mt. Desert Island, who formerly collected birds.

7 photos list

Records are quoted from a leaflet compiled and published about 1900, by Francis H. Allen from his own observations and those of the Champlain Society; and from Ora W. Knight, whose book, "The Birds of Maine", is authority for the region.

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- ✓ Holboell Grebe (*Colymbus holboelli*).
Very rare transient and winter visitor. Recorded only by Mr. Eho (Tyson)
- ✓ Horned Grebe (*Colymbus auritus*).
Occasional winter visitor along the coast, September to April. (Tyson)
- ✓ Pied-billed Grebe (*Podilymbus podiceps*).
Occasional visitor on inland waters in September and October. Less frequent in April and May. (Tyson).
- ✓ Loon (*Gavia immer*)
Resident, but does not breed on the Island. Commonly seen offshore and on the large lakes at all seasons.
- ✓ Puffin (*Fratercula arctica arctica*)
Very rare winter visitor (Tyson).
- ✓ Black Guillemot (*Cepphus grylle*)
Resident. Abundant. Nests on the Duck Islands and other rocky islands. June 6, 2 eggs. (Tyson)
- ✓ Razor-billed Auk (*Alca torda*)
Winter visitor. One taken off Bakers Island, August 27, 1920. (Tyson)

✓ Great Auk (*Plautus impennis*)

Extinct, though of former occurrence in Maine.
Remains have been found at Manchester Point, Northeast Harbor (Townsend, Journal Maine Ornith. See Vol. ix, 1907, p. 82)
Remains cited by Couss (Proc. Essex Inst. vol. v. 1886, p. 310), and by Brewer (Baird Brewer and Ridgway, Water Birds of North Am. vol. 11, 1884, p. 70) were really found on the mainland shore and on an island off Gouldsborough (Wyman, Am. Naturalist, vol. 1. 1878, pp. 563-578).

✓ Dovekie (*Alle alle*)

Common winter visitor, November to March.

✓ Pomarine Jaeger (*Stercorarius pomarinus*) Accidental. One taken Oct. 15, 1926 (Tyson)

✓ Parasitic Jaeger (*Stercorarius parasiticus*)

Occasional in spring and fall. One taken, many seen in August 1920; Seen at the scraggs in August 1926 (Tyson)

✓ Kittiwake (*Rissa tridactyla tridactyla*)

Winter visitor. Not uncommon off-shore (Tyson)

✓ Glaucous Gull (*Larus hyperboreus*)

Very rare winter visitor (Tyson)
Specimen taken at Cranberry Island in early winter (Norton)

✓ Great Black-backed Gull (*Larus Marinus*)

Not uncommon along the coast in winter. Two seen on Duck Island July 11, 1927. Two seen on Duck Island June 5, 1924, by Tyson, who reports a few seen there and on the scraggs every summer and fall.

✓ Herring Gull (*Larus argentatus*)

Resident. Abundant. Breeding in large colonies on Duck and Little Duck Islands. June 10, 1924, eggs and young.

✓ Ring-billed Gull (*Larus Delawarensis*)

Very rare transient, and occasional in winter. (Tyson)

✓ Laughing Gull (*Larus atricilla*)

Rare visitor. Two seen on Eagle Lake in June 1924. Occasionally seen in summer and fall (Tyson).

✓ Bonaparte Gull (*Larus philadelphia*)

Rare visitor. Occasionally seen in summer and fall (Tyson)

✓ Common Tern or Mackerel Gull (*Sterna hirundo*)

Abundant summer resident, May to September. Not easily distinguished in flight from the Arctic Tern, with which it is associated on the breeding grounds. Eggs in June and July on Ship, Barge, Trumpet and Green Islands (Tyson).
Eggs and a few young birds on a small rocky island off Indian Point, July 7, 1927.

✓ Arctic Tern (*Sterna paradisaea*)

Not uncommon summer resident, May to September. Breeds in colonies on suitable islands in the Western Bay. Eggs usually 2 in latter part of June (Tyson).

- ✓ Roseate Tern (*Sterna bergii*)
Accidental visitor spring and fall. Seen at Green Nubbles in September 1920 (Tyson)
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✓ Leach Petrel (*Oceanodroma leucorhoa*)
Summer resident. Nests in large numbers on the Duck Islands and other outer islands. Eggs, June 10, 1924; also July 13, 1927.
- ✓ Gannet (*Morus bassana*)
Irregular visitor offshore spring and fall. One taken in May, 1898, near Mt. Desert (Knight). One taken in July, 1903, (Norton) Usually off Mt. Desert Rock in the fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax carbo*)
Winter visitor, September to May (Tyson)
- ✓ Double-crested Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax auritus auritus*)
Resident. Most abundant spring and fall. Breeds on Ironbound Island off Bar Harbor (Tyson)
- ✓ Red-breasted Merganser (*Mergus serrator*)
Rare summer resident. Occasionally seen in migration. Nest found on Long Pond in June (Tyson)
Has bred on Ship, Barge, Trumpet and Green Islands. (Knight, Journal Maine Ornith. Soc. vol. 11, 1900, P. 7)
- ✓ Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*)
Winter visitor. Not uncommon. Occasionally seen with Black Ducks on the large ponds in September and October (Tyson)
- ✓ Black Duck (*Anas rubripes tristis*)
Scarce summer resident. Abundant in the fall migration. Nest on Duck Island, 1926 (Tyson). Adults and young seen end of June, Breakneck Pond, 1924.
- ✓ Red-legged Black Duck, or Canada Duck (*Anas rubripes bripas*)
Transient, common in late fall and winter on ponds and on salt water (Chief Ranger Hadley)
- ✓ Green-winged Teal (*Nettion carolinense*)
Rare transient in the fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Blue-winged Teal (*Queruedula discors*)
Rare transient
- ✓ Pintail (*Dafila acuta tzitzihoa*)
Very rare transient
- ✓ Wood Duck (*Aix sponsa*)
Rare summer resident, April to November. Nest on Lower Hadlock Pond in June, 1926 (Tyson).
- ✓ Scaup Duck (*Marila marila*)
Rare transient and winter visitor (Tyson)
- ✓ American Golden-eye (*Glaucionetta clangula americana*)
Abundant in autumn and winter. (Tyson)

- ✓ Buffle-head (*Charitopsis albeola*)
Not uncommon in winter and late fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Old-squaw (*Clangula hyemalis*)
Winter visitor. Most abundant in early winter and late fall (Tyson)
One seen at close range, Northeast Harbor, June 7, 1924, by James Bond and Tyson.
- ✓ Eider Duck (*Somateria mollissima dresseri*)
Winter resident. Very abundant in spring and fall. Rafts of them may be seen from Western Way to Great Duck Island. (Tyson)
(Has bred on the Scraggs" (Knight J.M.O.S. vol. 11, 1900 p. 7, 8)
- ✓ King Eider (*Somateria spectabilis*)
Occasionally occurs in winter; one taken by Fred Fernald near Baker's Island (Tyson). Has been taken at the Cranberry Islands. (Norton)
- ✓ American Scoter (*Oidonia americana*)
Transient. Common along the coast in spring and fall, occasionally in summer.
- ✓ White-winged Scoter (*Oidemia deglandi*)
Transient. Common along the coast at all seasons, especially in migration. Seen in summer off Indian Point, and elsewhere in sheltered waters.
- ✓ Surf Scoter (*Oidemia perspicillata*)
Transient. Common along the coast in spring and fall. Occasional in summer.
- ✓ Canada Goose (*Branta canadensis canadensis*)
Transient spring and fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Brant (*Branta bernicla glaucogastra*)
Transient spring and fall (Tyson)
- > Whistling Swan (*Olor Columbianus*)
Accidental. One taken at Islesford by Robert Gott (Tyson)
- ✓ Bittern (*Botaurus lentiginosus*)
Summer resident. Uncommon. Early May to October.
Breeds at Bass Harbor (Tyson)
- ✓ American Egret (*Camerodius Egretta*)
Accidental straggler. One taken on Cranberry Island, April 7, 1891.
(Everett Smith in Bull. 3 Univ. Maine.)
- ✓ Great Blue Heron (*Ardea herodias herodias*)
Summer resident. Very common. April to October
Breeds on Bartlett and on Block Islands (Tyson)
- ✓ Green Heron (*Butorides virescens virescens*)
Extremely rare summer resident (Tyson)
- ✓ Black-crowned Night Heron (*Nycticorax nycticorax naevius*)
Summer resident, common, April to October. Eggs and young, June 7 on Little Duck Island, also breeds near Northeast Harbor (Tyson)

- ✓ Red Phalarope (*Phalaropus fulicarius*)
Occasional migration. One taken May 1, 1923, off Great Neck by A. H. Norton.
- ✓ Northern Phalarope (*Lobipes lobatus*)
No record for Mt. Desert, but abundant generally along the Maine coast in migration (Norton). Audubon wrote "Some remain and breed as far south as Mt. Desert, an island in Maine". (Audubon, Ornith. Biog. vol. 3, 1835, p. 118)
- ✓ Woodcock (*Rubicola minor*)
Common summer resident, April to October. Nest with 4 eggs May 28, 1924.
- ✓ Wilson Snipe (*Gallinago delicata*)
Transient. Uncommon. Seen in fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Dowitcher (*Limnodromus griseus griseus*)
Transient. Rare (Allen)
- ✓ Knot (*Calidris Canutus*)
Transient. Late spring and early fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Purple Sandpiper (*Arquatella maritima maritima*)
Rare visitor. Only seen in winter (Tyson). One taken Saddleback ledge, August 19, 1896 (Knight, Birds of Maine, p. 162).
- ✓ Pectoral Sandpiper (*Pisobia maculata*)
Transient. Common on the outer islands in migration (Tyson)
- ✓ Least Sandpiper (*Pisobia minutilla*)
Transient. Very common in May and in July and August. Small flock seen July 13, 1927, on Duck Island, and on July 16 at Bar Harbor.
- ✓ Semi-palmated Sandpiper (*Eurynetes pusillus*)
Transient. Common in August and September. Rare in spring.
- ✓ Sanderling (*Crocethia alba*)
Transient. Rare in spring, abundant in fall.
- ✓ Greater Yellowlegs (*Totanus melanoleucus*)
Transient. Common in August (Tyson)
- ✓ Solitary Sandpiper (*Tringa solitaria solitaria*)
Transient spring and fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Spotted Sandpiper (*Actitis macularius*)
Summer resident abundant early May to September. Nests with 4 eggs June 14, and June 26, 1924; also July 1, 1927.
- ✓ Hudsonian Curlew (*Numenius hodsonicus*)
Transient. Common during migration on the outlying islands (Tyson) Three seen at Duck Island July 30, 1926, by Mrs. T. M. Knappen. One taken at Northeast Harbor (Stone, Auk, vol. xxx, 1913, p. 270)

- ✓ Eskimo Curlew (*Numer borealis*)
One taken near Pretty Marsh by Mr. Arnold (Tyson)
- ✓ Black-bellied Plover (*Squatarola squatarola*)
Transient. Common. Most abundant in the fall (Tyson).
- ✓ Golden Plover (*Pluvialis dominica dominica*)
Very rare transient. Not uncommon up to 15 or 20 years ago (Tyson)
- ✓ Semi-palmated Plover (*Charadrius semi-palmatus*)
Transient. Common April and May and July to September.
- ✓ Ruddy Turnstone (*Arenaria interpres morinella*)
Transient. Common. Late July to September. Rarer in Spring (Tyson)
- ✓ Canada Spruce Partridge (*Canachites canadensis canace*)
Very rare visitor (Tyson)
One taken August 29, 1899 (Hallowell, Forest & Stream, vol. 52, 1899, p. 207)
- ✓ Canada Ruffed Grouse (*Bonasa umbellus togata*)
Resident. Abundant. Nest with 12 eggs May 19, another with 9 eggs, June 23, 1924.
- ✓ Heath Hen (*Tympanuchus cupido*)
Audubon mentions it as being found on Mt. Desert Island. (Ornith. Biog. vol. 2, 1834, p. 492). Now found only on the Island of Martha's Vineyard, Mass.
- ✓ Hungarian Partridge (*Perdix perdix*)
An attempt was made to introduce this species on Mount Desert, through the liberation of 49 birds in the spring of 1913. The attempt has not been successful.
- ✓ Wild Turkey (*Meleagris gallapava silvestris*)
Portion of a tarsus identified as that of a Wild Turkey was found in a shell heap on the east side of Mount Desert, Aug. 14, 1880 (Townsend, Bull. Nutt. Ornith. Cl. vol. vi, 1881, P. 60) Also Allen, Bull. Essex Co. Ornith. Club. Nos. 6, 7, 1921, p. 13, all relating to the same. "Have heard old residents tell of shooting them 40 years ago". (Tyson)
- ✓ Passenger Pigeon (*Ectopistes migratorius*)
The last instance of the occurrence of this bird in Maine is based upon a female sent to a Bangor taxidermist, from Bar Harbor in the early summer of 1904. (Knight, Journ. Maine Ornith. Soc. vol. X, 1908, p. 54)
- ✓ Mourning Dove (*Zenaidura macroura carolinensis*)
Accidental summer visitor. One taken August 12, 1902, at Seal Harbor by C. F. Batchelder (Allen)
One taken August 6, 1924, by C. S. Tyson.
- ✓ Marsh Hawk (*Circus hudsonius*)
Summer resident. Fairly common, April to October.

- ✓ Sharp-shinned Hawk (*Accipiter velox*)
 Summer resident. Not uncommon. Sometimes abundant in Sept. (Tyson)
- ✓ Cooper Hawk (*Accipiter cooperi*)
 Rare summer resident, April to October (Tyson)
- ✓ Goshawk (*Astur atricapillus atricapillus*)
 Resident. Rare in summer. Common in fall and winter, occasionally abundant (Tyson)
 Nest and eggs found in March, 1927, by the Rangers.
- ✓ Red-tailed Hawk (*Buteo borealis borealis*)
 Resident. Not uncommon, especially in fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Red-shouldered Hawk (*Buteo lineatus lineatus*)
 Summer resident. Rather common. March to October (Tyson)
- ✓ Broad-winged Hawk (*Buteo platypterus platypterus*)
 Summer resident. Rather common. April to October (Tyson)
- ✓ Golden Eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*)
 Accidental visitor. Two seen on October 3, 1916, near Somesville by R. C. Robbins.
- ✓ Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus leucocephalus*)
 Resident. 5 pair nest on Mt. Desert (Tyson). Becoming scarcer. The young birds photographed by the Park Service, June 25, 1920; left the nest two weeks later.
- ✓ Duck Hawk (*Falco peregrinus anatum*)
 Transient, rare. (Tyson)
- ✓ Pigeon Hawk (*Falco columbarius columbarius*)
 Transient. Common in spring and fall (Tyson)
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- ✓ Sparrow Hawk (*Cerchneis sparveria sparveria*)
 Summer resident rather common. April to October (Tyson)
- ✓ Osprey, or Fish Hawk (*Pandion haliaetus carolinensis*)
 Summer resident, common, April to October. 2 eggs May 24, 1924, near Hulls Cove.
- ✓ Long-eared Owl (*Asio wilsonianus*)
 Resident. Rare (Tyson)
- ✓ Short-eared Owl (*Asio flammeus*)
 Resident. Rare (Tyson)
- ✓ Barred Owl (*Strix varia varia*)
 Resident. Rare (Tyson)
- ✓ Great Gray Owl (*Scotiaptex nebulosa nebulosa*)
 Very rare visitor, occasional in winter. One seen on Cranberry Island, August, 1923 (Tyson)
- ✓ Saw-whet Owl (*Cryptotoglaux acadica acadica*)
 Resident. Rare (Tyson)

- ✓ Great Horned Owl (*Bu virginianus virginianus*)
Resident. Not uncommon (Tyson)
- ✓ Snowy, or Arctic Owl (*Nyctea nyctea*)
Rare and occasional in winter. Two seen on Sargent Mt. in summer of 1910 (Tyson). A large number appeared during the winter and very early spring of 1927.
- ✓ Hawk Owl (*Surnia ulula caparoch*)
Rare winter visitor. One taken September 15, 1910: and another October 1, 1926, at Town Hill, by C. S. Tyson.
- ✓ Yellow-billed Cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus americanus*)
Accidental in summer. One taken at Bar Harbor by E. Gordon (Knight, Birds of Maine, P. 268)
- ✓ Black-billed Cuckoo (*Coccyzus erythrophthalmus*)
Very rare summer resident, May to September (Tyson)
- ✓ Belted Kingfisher (*Ceryle alcyon alcyon*)
Summer resident. Common. May to September.
- ✓ Hairy Woodpecker (*Dryobates villosus villosus*)
Resident. Fairly common. Eggs May 19 and May 24, 1924. Feeding young June 7.
- ✓ Downy Woodpecker (*Dryobates pubescens medianus*)
Resident. Very abundant. Eggs May 19 and May 20, 1924. Six nests with young almost ready to fly on June 27.
- ✓ Arctic Three-toed Woodpecker (*Picoides arcticus*)
Very rare visitor in winter (Tyson)
One reported by Lurvey October 23, 1908 (Journal Maine Ornith. Soc. vol. XI, 1909, p. 19)
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- ✓ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (*Sphyrapicus varius varius*)
Summer resident, common, especially in migration (Tyson)
One taken Asticou September 24, 1899, by Batchelder (Allen)
- ✓ Northern Flicker (*Colaptes auratus luteus*)
Summer resident occasionally winters. Very common, April to Nov. Six recorded by Lurvey on December 26, 1908 (Journal Maine Ornith. Soc. vol. XI 1909, p. 19)
- ✓ Whip-poor-will (*Antrostomus vociferus vociferus*)
Summer resident. Uncommon. Several pair at Echo Lake: most frequent in August (Tyson)
- ✓ Nighthawk (*Chordeiles virginianus virginianus*)
Summer resident, abundant middle of May to September. Two eggs June 21, 1924, on Pickett Mt.
- ✓ Chimney Swift (*Chaetura pelagica*)
Common summer resident, May to September.
- ✓ Ruby-throated Hummingbird (*Archilochus colubris*)
Summer resident. Very common May to September.

- ✓ Kingbird (*Tyrannus t. annus*)
Summer resident. Rather common (Tyson), May to September.
- ✓ Great-crested Flycatcher (*Miarchus crinitus*)
One taken at Somesville in August, 1917, by C. S. Tyson.
- ✓ Phoebe (*Sayornis phoebe*)
Summer resident. Rare.
- ✓ Olive-sided Flycatcher (*Nuttallornis borealis*)
Summer resident. Common. May to September
Nest and eggs June 20, 1924.
- ✓ Wood Pewee (*Myiochanes verens*)
Summer resident. Not uncommon in certain localities (Tyson)
- ✓ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher (*Empidonax flaviventris*)
Summer resident. Rare. May to September.
- ✓ Traill or Alder Flycatcher (*Empidonax Trailli*)
Summer resident. Fairly common. May to September.
Nest with 2 eggs, June 24, 1924.
- ✓ Least Flycatcher (*Empidonax minimus*)
Summer resident. Common. May to September
Nest with 3 eggs June 6: another with 4 young June 25, 1924.
- ✓ Horned Lark (*Octocoris alpestris alpestris*)
Fall and winter visitor, uncommon.
- ✓ Blue Jay (*Cyanocitta cristata cristata*)
Transient uncommon, found occasionally in September and October.
One taken in January by Filiataz.
- ✓ Northern Raven (*Corvus corax Principalis*)
Resident. Not uncommon. Nests at Long Pond on Beech Mt. ledges,
and on Duck Island in April (Tyson)
- ✓ American Crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos brachyrhynchos*)
Resident, abundant. Young just out of nest June 17 and 26, 1924.
- ✓ Bobolink (*Dolichonyx oryziverus*)
Summer resident May to September. Common in suitable localities
as near Town Hill, Hulls Cove and Somesville.
- ✓ Cowbird (*Molothrus ater ater*)
Summer resident, April to October. Increasing in numbers.
Seen July 3 and July 8, 1888 (Allen) Young bird watched while fed
by Juncos, and another by Myrtle Warbler in June 1927. Flock of
8 juveniles seen on Bar Harbor Golf Links, July 20.
- ✓ Red-winged Blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus phoeniceus*)
Summer resident. Not common. April to September. Nest with 4
eggs June 21, 1924, in swamp near Hulls Cove.

- ✓ Meadowlark (*Sturnella magna magna*)
Accidental. Specimen from Duck I. Lighthouse in a collection at Tremont.
- ✓ Baltimore Oriole (*Icterus galbula*)
Rare and accidental visitor.
Specimen taken in May at Bar Harbor, by Filiattaz.
- ✓ Rusty Blackbird (*Euphagus carolinus*)
Transient. Uncommon. Specimen taken in spring at Bar Harbor by Filiattaz. One recorded by Lurvey, Dec. 22, at Southwest Harbor. (Journal Maine)
- ✓ Bronzed Grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula aeneus*)
Transient. Common in April for about two weeks at Bar Harbor; rare in fall. Specimen taken in spring by Filiattaz.
- ✓ Evening Grosbeak (*Hesperiphona vespertina vespertina*)
Irregular winter visitor. In February 1916 a flock of about 50 spent two weeks in Bar Harbor (Miss Boyden). In the winter of 1921 a large flock visited Southwest Harbor; two specimens taken Dec. 5, by Tyson.
- ✓ Pine Grosbeak (*Pinicola enucleator leucura*)
Irregular fall and winter visitor. Common. Reported by F. B. Pepper on Aug. 10 and Sept. 7, 1911 (Bird-lore, vol. XIII, 1911, p.306)
- ✓ Purple Finch (*Carpodacus purpureus purpureus*)
Resident. Very common in summer, rare in winter. Nest June 5.
- ✓ English Sparrow (*Passer domesticus domesticus*)
Resident. Not very abundant.
- ✓ American Crossbill (*Loxia curvirostra minor*)
Rare irregular visitor. June, 1899 (F. H. Allen)
August 1924 (Pres. Little) December 27, 1909 (Lurvey Journal, Maine Ornith. Soc. Vol. XI, 1909, p. 19)
Abundant twenty years ago, year after year, about Asticou (Eliot)
- ✓ White-winged Crossbill (*Loxia leucoptera*)
Irregular and erratic visitor. Common at times. Seen frequently during the summer of 1924. Several seen July 8, 1927. Often seen in winter (Filiattaz) Several seen on Dec. 20, 1909, at Southwest Harbor (Lurvey, Journ. Maine Ornith. Soc. vol. XI, 1909, p. 19)
- ✓ Redpoll (*Acanthis linaria linaria*)
Winter visitor. Common during some seasons (Tyson)
- ✓ Goldfinch (*Astragalinus tristis tristis*)
Common summer resident, occasional in winter.
Nests late in July or early August.
- ✓ Pine Siskin (*Spinus pinus*)
Resident. Not uncommon. Nests in April. Often seen in August in flocks.

✓ Snow Bunting or Snow ~~ke~~ (Plectrophenax nivalis niva)
Winter visitor. Common. November to March.

✓ Vesper Sparrow (Poocetes gramineus gramineus)
Summer resident. Not uncommon. May to October.

✓ Savannah Sparrow (Passerculus sandwichensis savanna)
Summer resident. Abundant. April to October. Nests with 4 eggs,
June 11, and June 17, 1924. Nests usually not far from the sea shore.

✓ ^{crowled} White-winged Sparrow (Zonotrichia leucophrys leucophrys)
Rare transient. Several seen in April, 1916, by Miss Boyden. Two
seen at Southwest Harbor by Lurvey, May 15, 1909 (Journal Maine
Ornith. Soc. Vol. XII, 1910, p. 21) One taken at Seal Harbor
September 19, by Tyson. One seen on Green Mt. July 25, 1926, by
Mrs. T. M. Knappen.

✓ White-throated Sparrow (Zonotrichia albicollis)
Summer resident. Very abundant. April to November. Nest with 4
eggs June 2, 1924. Young birds everywhere the end of June.

✓ Tree Sparrow (Spizella monticola monticola)
Winter visitor. Common in early spring and fall (Tyson)
Many seen December 20-31, 1908 by Lurvey (Journ. Maine Ornith. Soc.
Vol. XI, 1909, p. 19)

✓ Chipping Sparrow (Spizella passerina passerina)
Summer resident. Very abundant. April to November. Nest with one
egg, May 24, another with 4 eggs, June 5, 1924.

✓ Field Sparrow (Spizella pusilla pusilla)
Transient. Rare. Seen May 26 and 27, 1924, Bar Harbor.
Seen at Somesville in June, 1891 (Allen)

✓ Junco (Junco hyemalis hyemalis)
Resident. Very abundant in summer, scarce in winter.
Nest with 4 eggs, June 4: another with 4 eggs July 1, 1924.

✓ Song Sparrow (Melospiza melodia melodia)
Very abundant summer resident. April to November. Nest with 3
eggs May 26: another with 4 young, June 5, 1924.

✓ Swamp Sparrow (Melospiza georgiana)
Summer resident, April to November. Rather common in suitable
meadows.

✓ Fox Sparrow (Passerella iliaca iliaca)
Transient. Rather common for about 3 weeks in April and May, and
again in the fall. One taken in January, 1916. (Tyson)

✓ Towhee (Pipile erythroptalmus erythroptalmus)
Accidental visitor in summer. Immature specimen taken by Tyson in
1918.

✓ Rose-breasted Grosbeak (Zamelodia ludoviciana)
Rare transient and possible summer resident. Several seen May 24 and
27, 1924; also adults with two young July 3. Adults seen in
July, 1925 by Tyson.

- ✓ Indigo Bunting (*Passina cyanea*)
Very rare summer visitor. Two seen in July 1920 by Tyson.
- ✓ Scarlet Tanager (*Piranga erythromelas*)
Rare transient in spring (Filliattaz)
- ✓ Purple Martin (*Progne subis subis*)
Summer resident. Not common. May to August.
Formerly abundant (Tyson)
- ✓ Cliff Swallow or Eave Swallow (*Petrochelidon lunifrons lunifrons*)
Summer resident. April to September.
Locally abundant. Large colonies at Hulls Cove and elsewhere; formerly large colony in town of Bar Harbor.
- ✓ Barn Swallow (*Hirundo erythrogastra*)
Summer resident. Abundant. Nest with 1 egg June 10, 1924; others feeding young, June 29.
- ✓ Tree Swallow (*Iridoprocne bicolor*)
Summer resident. Abundant. April to September.
Nested in large numbers in the town of Bar Harbor in the summer of 1927.
- ✓ Bank Swallow (*Riparia riparia riparia*)
Summer resident. Colonies at Trenton Bridge and at Pretty Marsh (Tyson). On Cranberry Islands (Merrill, Bull. Nuttall Ornith. Club, vol. VI, 1881, p. 250).
- ✓ Bohemian Waxwing (*Bombycilla garrula*)
Very rare winter visitor. One seen winter of 1916 at Southwest Harbor (Tyson).
- ✓ Cedar Waxwing (*Bombycilla cedrorum*)
Resident. Common in summer, occasional in winter.
Nest in apple tree just begun July 14, 1924. Young birds flying July 2, 1927.
- ✓ Northern Shrike (*Lanius borealis*)
Winter visitor. October to April.
Very plentiful during migrations (Tyson).
- ✓ Migrant Shrike (*Lanius ludovicianus migrans*)
Rare. One on Pemetic Mt. in late summer, 1909 (Eliot)
- ✓ Red-eyed Vireo (*Vireo sylvia olivacea*)
Summer resident. Very common. May to October. Nest with 2 eggs, June 10, 1924. Nest being built June 22, 1924.
- ✓ Philadelphia Vireo (*Vireosylva philadelphica*)
Rare transient. Two taken by C. F. Batchelder and S. J. Dwight at Bar Harbor, September 21, 1899 (Allen)
One seen at Northeast Harbor by Tyson.

- ✓ Warbling Vireo (*Vireo gilva gilva*)
 Summer resident. Locally distributed, but not common.
 Often seen and heard in town of Bar Harbor (Miss Boyden)
- ✓ Blue-headed Vireo (*Lanius solitarius solitarius*)
 Common summer resident. Most noticeable in May; remains until
 October. Nest with young, June 20, 1924.
- ✓ Black and White Warbler (*Mniotilta varia*)
 Summer resident. Very common. May to September.
- ✓ Nashville Warbler (*Vermivora ruficapilla ruficapilla*)
 Summer resident. Abundant. May to September.
- ✓ Tennessee Warbler (*Vermivora peregrina*)
 Summer resident. Uncommon. Late May to September.
 Several seen May 26, 27, also July 12, 13, 1924.
- ✓ Northern Parula Warbler (*Compsothlypis americana pusilla*)
 Summer resident. Very common. May to September.
 Nest with young birds well advanced, July 7, 1927.
- ✓ Cape May Warbler (*Dendroica tigrina*)
 Very rare transient, and occasional summer resident.
 Several seen May 26 and 28, and June 2, 1924, near Bar Harbor.
 Male seen July 14, 1927, on Mrs. C. S. Frost's grounds at Asticou.
 A pair was seen there all during July by Mrs. Frost and Mr. and
 Mrs. Reginald C. Robbins.
 A pair also seen there frequently during the summer of 1926, by
 Mr. and Mrs. Robbins and in July a male was seen feeding young.
- ✓ Yellow Warbler (*Dendroica aestiva aestiva*)
 Summer resident. Abundant. May to September.
 Nest with 4 eggs June 15, another June 21, 1924.
- ✓ Black-throated Blue Warbler (*Dendroica caerulescens caerulescens*)
 Summer resident. Not uncommon. May to September.
- ✓ Myrtle Warbler (*Dendroica coronata*)
 Summer resident. Abundant. Early May to October.
 Nest with 4 young just ready to leave, June 27, 1924.
- ✓ Magnolia Warbler (*Dendroica magnolia*)
 Summer resident. Abundant. Nest with young, June 27, 1924.
- ✓ Chestnut-sided Warbler. (*Dendroica pennsylvanica*)
 Summer resident. Rather common. May to September.
- ✓ Bay-breasted Warbler (*Dendroica castanea*)
 Summer resident. Common in high and thick evergreen woods.
 May to August. Young birds just flying July 3, 1924.
- ✓ Blackpoll Warbler (*Dendroica striata*)
 Islands
 Summer resident. Rather common, especially on the outlying
 islands (Tyson) May to October.

- ✓ Blackburnian Warbler (*Dendroica fusca*)
Summer resident. Not uncommon in deep mixed woods containing hemlock. May to October. Young birds just out of nest, July 30, 1927.
- ✓ Black-throated Green Warbler (*Dendroica verens*)
Summer resident. Very abundant. May to October.
Nest with 4 eggs, June 11, 1925 (Tyson)
- ✓ Pine Warbler (*Dendroica vigorsii vigorsii*)
Rare transient and possible summer resident.
Seen and heard May 16 and 18, 1924. Seen and heard July 6, 1927, on Dry Mt. by Miss Cobb.
- ✓ Yellow Palm Warbler (*Dendroica palmarum hypochrysea*)
Transient. Rare. Several seen May 16 and 20, 1924.
- ✓ Ovenbird (*Seiurus aurocapillus*)
Summer resident. Abundant. May to October.
Nest with 4 eggs, June 13, 1924.
- ✓ Northern Water-thrush (*Seiurus noveboracensis noveboracensis*)
Rare summer resident (Tyson)
- ✓ Connecticut Warbler. (*Oporornis agilis*)
Very rare transient in the fall (Tyson)
- ✓ Mourning Warbler (*Oporornis philadelphia*)
Very rare. Male seen and heard every day June 1-17, 1927, at Asticou, by Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Robbins and Mrs. C. S. Frost.
- ✓ Maryland Yellow-throat (*Geothlypis trichas trichas*)
Summer resident. Very abundant. May to October. Nest with 4 eggs June 15, another nest with feathered young, June 19, 1924.
- ✓ Wilson Warbler (*Wilsonia pusilla pusilla*)
Transient. Uncommon. Several seen May 28, 1924.
- ✓ Canadian Warbler (*Wilsonia canadensis*)
Summer resident. Rather common. May to September.
Young just leaving nest June 21, 1924.
- ✓ Redstart (*Setophaga ruticilla*)
Summer resident. The most abundant warbler. May to October.
Nest with 4 eggs June 10, 1924.
- ✓ American Pipit (*Anthus pennsylvanicus*)
Fall migrant. Large flock near top of Sargent Mt., Sept. 10, 1911 (Eliot)
- ✓ Catbird (*Dumetella carolinensis*)
Summer resident. Rare. Pair seen at Tremont, June 24, 1924.
Seen at Northeast Harbor in May, 1924 (Tyson)
Seen March 25, 1923 (Hanscomb)
- ✓ Brown Thrasher (*Toxostoma rufa*)
Summer resident. Very rare. One taken at Seal Harbor (Tyson)

- ✓ House Wren (*Troglodytes aedon aedon*)
Rare transient. Usually seen middle of April (Hanscomb)
Seen and heard at Northeast Harbor during the first two weeks of June, 1927, by Miss M. Bodine.
- ✓ Winter Wren (*Tannus hiemalis hiemalis*)
Summer resident. Common, April to November.
- ✓ Brown Creeper (*Certhia familiaris americana*)
Resident. Common. Less frequent in winter. June 21, 1924, nest with 4 young not feathered (Pres. Little) Many families of young birds seen during last week in June.
- ✓ Red-breasted Nuthatch (*Sitta canadensis*)
Resident. Not common. Also found on Cranberry Island (Tyson)
Abundant twenty years ago about Asticou (Eliot)
- ✓ Black-capped Chickadee (*Penthestes atricapillus atricapillus*)
Resident. Very abundant. Nests containing young, May 21--21, 1924.
Young being fed in nest July 12, 1927.
- ✓ Acadian Chickadee (*Penthestes hudsonicus littoralis*)
Resident very rare. Family of adults and 5 young seen several times at Indian Point, July 8-20, 1924. Found in the same place June 27, 1927. One seen August 23, 1882 (C. W. Townsend)
Abundant July and Aug. 1877 (Brewer, Proc. Boston. Soc. Nat. Hist. vol. XIX, 1878, p. 309) 4 seen May 16, 1909. S. A. Lurvey (Journal Maine Ornith. Soc. vol. XI, 1909, p. 124. Seen October 4, 1915, and October 3, 1916, by R. C. Robbins.
- ✓ Golden crowned Kinglet. (*Regulus satrapa satrapa*)
Resident. Abundant. Less frequent in winter. Nest with young being fed, June 23, 1924.
- ✓ Ruby-crowned Kinglet (*Regulus calendula calendula*)
Accidental visitor. Heard and seen May 1, 1916, Bar Harbor (Boyden)
Seen singing June 5, 1915, near Lower Hadlock Pond (Robbins)
- ✓ Veery (*Hylocichla fuscescens fuscescens*) *Yellow wing*
Summer resident. Abundant. May to Sept. May 29, 1924. Two young out of nest being fed by parents. June 27, nest with 3 eggs.
- ✓ Gray-cheeked Thrush (*Hylocichla aliciae aliciae*)
Transient. Not common. Status not known.
- ✓ Olive-backed Thrush (*Hylocichla ustulata swainsoni*)
Summer resident. Very common. May to October. Last nest, three young, Hatched Aug. 1-3, 1927, left nest Aug. 17 (Eliot).
- ✓ Hermit Thrush (*Hylocichla guttata pallasi*)
Summer resident. Abundant. April to October.
Nest May 28, 1924, 4 eggs; another June 5, 4 eggs.
- ✓ Robin (*Planesticus migratorius migratorius*)
Summer resident, very abundant, April to October. Nest containing eggs May 18, 1924; another with 4 eggs, June 18.
- ✓ Bluebird (*Sialia sialis sialis*)
Summer resident, April to October. Not uncommon in certain localities. Found about Town Hill, Eden, Southwest Harbor, Pretty Marsh and elsewhere. (Tyson)

206 SPECIES LISTED, OF WHICH 5 ARE EXTINCT

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RESIDENTS

- Loon
- Black Guillemot
- Herring Gull
- Double-crested Cormorant
- Canada Ruffed Grouse
- Goshawk
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Bald Eagle
- Long-eared Owl
- Short-eared Owl
- Barred Owl
- Saw-whet Owl
- Great Horned Owl
- Hairy Woodpecker
- Downy Woodpecker
- Raven
- Crow
- Purple Finch
- Pine Siskin
- English Sparrow
- Junco
- Cedar Waxwing
- Brown Creeper
- Red-breasted Nuthatch
- Black-capped Chickadee
- Acadian Chickadee
- Golden-crowned Kinglet

SUMMER RESIDENTS

79 Species

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| Common Tern | White-throated Sparrow |
| Arctic Tern | Chipping Sparrow |
| Leach Petrel | Song Sparrow |
| Red-breasted Merganser | Swamp Sparrow |
| Black Duck | Indigo Bunting |
| Wood Duck | Purple Martin |
| Bittern | Cliff Swallow |
| Great Blue Heron | Barn Swallow |
| Green Heron | Tree Swallow |
| Black-crowned Night Heron | Bank Swallow |
| Woodcock | Red-eyed Viree |
| Spotted Sandpiper | Warbling Viree |
| Marsh Hawk | Black and White Warbler |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk | Nashville Warbler |
| Cooper Hawk | Tennessee Warbler |
| Red-shouldered Hawk | Northern Parula Warbler |
| Broad-winged Hawk | Yellow Warbler |
| Sparrow Hawk | Black-throated Blue Warbler |
| Osprey | Myrtle Warbler |
| Black-billed Cuckoo | Magnolia Warbler |
| Kingfisher | Chestnut-sided Warbler |
| Yellow-bellied Sapsucker | Bay-breasted Warbler |
| Flicker | Blackpoll Warbler |
| Whip-poor-will | Blackburnian Warbler |
| Nighthawk | Black-throated Green Warbler |
| Chimney Swift | Ovenbird |
| Ruby-throated Humming Bird | Northern Waterthrush |
| Kingbird | Maryland Yellow-throat |
| Phoebe | Canadian Warbler |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher | Redstart |
| Wood Pewee | Catbird |
| Yellow-bellied Flycatcher | Brown Thrasher |
| Alder Flycatcher | Winter Wren |
| Least Flycatcher | Veery or Wilson Thrush |
| Bobolink | Olive-backed Thrush |
| Cowbird | Hermit Thrush |
| Red-winged Blackbird | Robin |
| Goldfinch | Bluebird |
| Vesper Sparrow | |
| Savannah Sparrow | |

TRANSIENTS

47 Species ✓

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Pied-billed Grebe
Laughing Gull
Bonaparte Gull
Gannet
Green-winged Teal
Blue-winged Teal
Pintail
American Scoter
White-winged Scoter
Surf Scoter
Canada Goose
Brant
Wilson Snipe
Dowitcher
Knot
Purple Sandpiper
Pectoral Sandpiper
Least Sandpiper
Semi-palmated Sandpiper
Sanderling
Greater Yellowlegs
Solitary Sandpiper
Hudsonian Curlew
Black-bellied Plover
Golden Plover
Semi-palmated Plover
Ruddy Turnstone
Duck Hawk
Pigeon Hawk
Blue Jay
Rusty Blackbird
Bronzed Grackle

American Crossbill (Nests)
White-winged Crossbill (Nests)
White-crowned Sparrow
Field Sparrow
Fox Sparrow
Rose-breasted Grosbeak (May nest)
Scarlet Tanager
Philadelphia Viree resident)
Cape May Warbler (Occasional summer/
Pine Warbler (May nest)
Yellow Palm Warbler
Connecticut Warbler
Wilson Warbler
House Wren
Gray-cheeked Thrush

WINTER VISITORS

29 Species

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Holboell Grebe
Horned Grebe
Puffin
Razor-billed Auk
Dovekie
Kittiwake
Glaucous Gull
Great Black-backed Gull
Ring-billed Gull
Cormorant
Mallard
Red-legged Black Duck
Scaup Duck
American Golden Eye
Buffle-head
Old-squaw
Eider Duck
King Eider
Great Gray Owl
Snowy Owl
Hawk Owl
Arctic Three-toed Woodpecker
Horned Lark
Evening Grosbeak
Pine Grosbeak
Redpoll
Snow Bunting
Tree Sparrow
Northern Shrike

ACCIDENTAL OR IRREGULAR VISITORS

21 Species

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Pomarine Jaeger
Parasitic Jaeger
Roseate Tern
Whistling Swan
American Egret
Red Phalarope
Northern Phalarope
Eskimo Curlew
Canada Spruce Partridge
Mourning Dove
Golden Eagle
Yellow-bellied Cuckoo
Great-crested Flycatcher
Meadowlark
Baltimore Oriole
Towhee
Migrant Shrike
Bohemian Waxwing
Mourning Warbler
American Pipit
Ruby-crowned Kinglet

EXTINCT ON THE ISLAND

Great Auk
Heath Hen
Hungarian Partridge
Wild Turkey
Passenger Pigeon