

Birds of Booker T. Washington National Monument

Booker T. Washington National Monument encompasses 239 acres of forests, riparian areas, open woodlands, meadows, hayfields, pastures, demonstration crop fields, and garden areas. Such a wide range of habitats support a diverse array of bird species. So far over 100 species of birds have been detected in the park.

This checklist was developed from inventories conducted in the park in 2003 by scientists from the College of William and Mary and observations of members of the Roanoke Valley Bird Club over the past 20 years. The abbreviations below document when the species were observed and when they are most likely to be seen in the park. Space is provided on the left for you to check off the species you observe during your visit.

For additional information or to report species not found on the checklist, please contact our staff at

BOWA_Resource_Management@nps.gov.

Checklist key:

^a Season birds were detected in:

- B = breeding season
1 June - 15 Aug.
- W = winter season
15 Nov. - 15 Mar.
- M = migratory seasons
15 Mar. - 31 May
15 Aug. – 15 Nov.

^b Species expected to occur only as a winter resident at the park.

^c Species expected to occur only as a transient migrant at the park.

✓	COMMON NAME	DETECTED ^a
WATERFOWL		
	Canada Goose	B, W, M
	Wood Duck	M
	Mallard	B, W, M
HERONS		
	Great Blue Heron	M
VULTURES		
	Turkey Vulture	B, W, M
	Black Vulture	W, M
HAWKS		
	Osprey	M
	Sharp-shinned Hawk	W, M
	Cooper’s Hawk	W, M
	Red-shouldered Hawk	W
	Broad-winged Hawk	B, M
	Red-tailed Hawk	B, W, M
UPLAND GAME BIRDS		
	Northern Bobwhite	B
	Ruffed Grouse	M
	Wild Turkey	B, W, M
SHOREBIRDS		
	Killdeer	M
	American Woodcock	M
DOVES		
	Mourning Dove	B, W, M
CUCKOOS		
	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	B, M
OWLS		
	Eastern Screech Owl	B, W, M
	Great Horned Owl	B, W, M
GOATSUCKERS		
	Common Nighthawk	M
	Whip-poor-will	M
SWIFTS - HUMMINGBIRDS		
	Chimney Swift	B, M
	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	B, M
KINGFISHERS		
	Belted Kingfisher	B, W, M

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WOODPECKERS		
	Red-bellied Woodpecker	B, W, M
	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker ^b	W, M
	Downy Woodpecker	B, W, M
	Hairy Woodpecker	B, W, M
	Northern Flicker	B, W, M
	Pileated Woodpecker	B, W, M
FLYCATCHERS - KINGBIRDS		
	Eastern Wood-Pewee	B, M
	Acadian Flycatcher	B, M
	Eastern Phoebe	B, W, M
	Great Crested Flycatcher	B, M
	Eastern Kingbird	B, M
VIREOS		
	Red-eyed Vireo	B, M
	Yellow-throated Vireo	B, M
	Blue-headed Vireo	B, M
	Warbling Vireo	M
CORVIDS		
	Blue Jay	B, W, M
	American Crow	B, W, M
	Common Raven	B, W, M
SWALLOWS		
	Purple Martin	B, M
	Tree Swallow	B, M
	Northern Rough-winged Swallow	B, M
	Barn Swallow	B, M
TITS		
	Eastern Tufted Titmouse	B, W, M
	Black-capped Chickadee	W, M
	Carolina Chickadee	B, W, M
NUTHATCHES – CREEPERS		
	Red-breasted Nuthatch ^b	W, M
	White-breasted Nuthatch	B, W, M
	Brown Creeper ^b	W
WRENS		
	Carolina Wren	B, W, M
	Winter Wren ^b	W

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KINGLETS – GNATCATCHERS		
	Golden-crowned Kinglet ^b	W, M
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet ^b	W, M
	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	B, M
THRUSHES – MIMICS		
	Eastern Bluebird	B, W, M
	Veery	M
	American Robin	B, W, M
	Wood Thrush	B, M
	Swainson’s Thrush ^c	M
	Hermit Thrush ^b	W, M
	Northern Mockingbird	B, W, M
	Gray Catbird	M
	Brown Thrasher	B, M
STARLINGS		
	European Starling	B, W, M
PIPITS		
	American Pipit ^b	W
WAXWINGS		
	Cedar Waxwing	B, W, M
WOOD WARBLERS		
	Nashville Warbler ^c	M
	Northern Parula	B, M
	Yellow Warbler	M
	Chestnut-sided Warbler ^c	M
	Cape May Warbler ^c	M
	Magnolia Warbler ^c	M
	Black-throated Blue Warbler ^c	M
	Yellow-rumped Warbler ^b	W, M
	Black-throated Green Warbler ^c	M
	Blackburnian Warbler ^c	M
	Yellow-throated Warbler	M
	Bay-breasted Warbler ^c	M
	Blackpoll Warbler ^c	M
	Cerulean Warbler	M
	Pine Warbler	B, W, M
	Palm Warbler ^c	M
	Black-and-white Warbler	M
	American Redstart	M

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	Worm-eating Warbler	M
	Ovenbird	B, M
	Louisiana Waterthrush	B, M
	Northern Waterthrush ^c	M
	Common Yellowthroat	M
	Hooded Warbler	M
	Yellow-breasted Chat	M
TANAGERS – SPARROWS – GROSBEAKS		
	Scarlet Tanager	B, M
	Summer Tanager	B, M
	Northern Cardinal	B, W, M
	Rose-breasted Grosbeak ^c	M
	Blue Grosbeak	B, M
	Indigo Bunting	B, M
	Eastern Towhee	B, M
	Field Sparrow	B, W, M
	Chipping Sparrow	B, M
	Grasshopper Sparrow	B, M
	White-throated Sparrow ^b	W, M
	White-crowned Sparrow ^b	W
	Fox Sparrow ^b	W
	Song Sparrow	B, W, M
	Swamp Sparrow ^b	M
	Dark-eyed Junco ^b	W
BLACKBIRDS – FINCHES		
	Eastern Meadowlark	B, W, M
	Brown-headed Cowbird	B, M
	Red-winged Blackbird	M
	Common Grackle	B, M
	Orchard Oriole	B, M
	Baltimore Oriole	M
	Purple Finch ^b	M
	House Finch	B, W, M
	American Goldfinch	B, W, M
	House Sparrow	B, W, M
New species detected:		

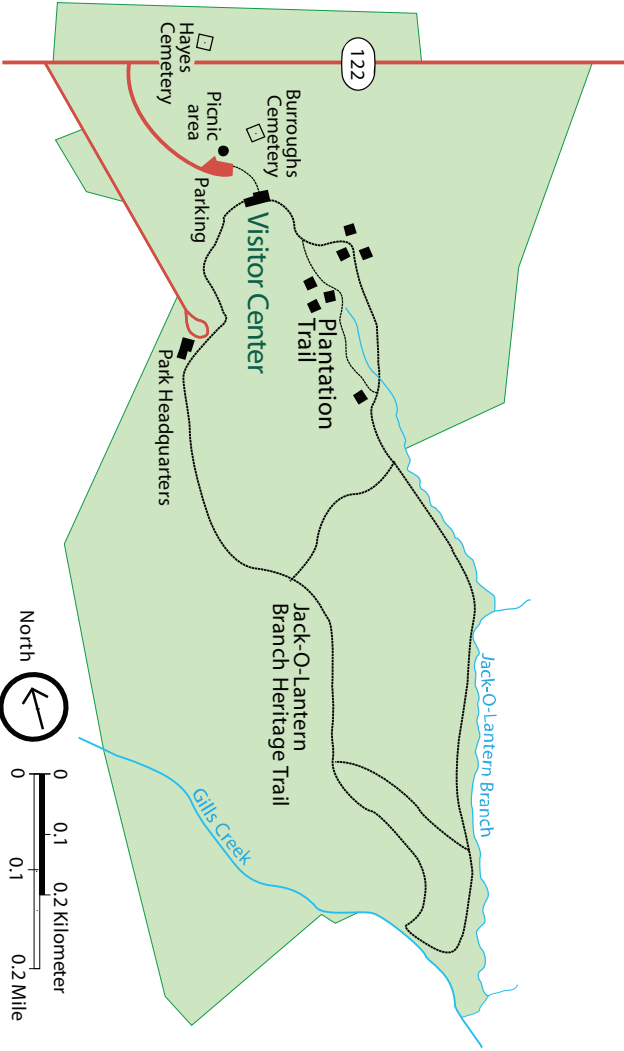
Notes:



The Cornell Lab of Ornithology's eBird website allows you to report observations made on hiking trips, personal searches, and point counts. You can set up a personal account that provides information on your reports, locations you have visited, and a checklist for all your life birds.

Your observations can also be viewed and analyzed by scientists and other eBird users, making it useful for the National Park Service. Currently, we are developing an NPS eBird Portal to capture park-specific hotspots. By reporting observations, park visitors can help us determine which birds are using the parks and if there are changes in community composition.

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Downy Woodpecker
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