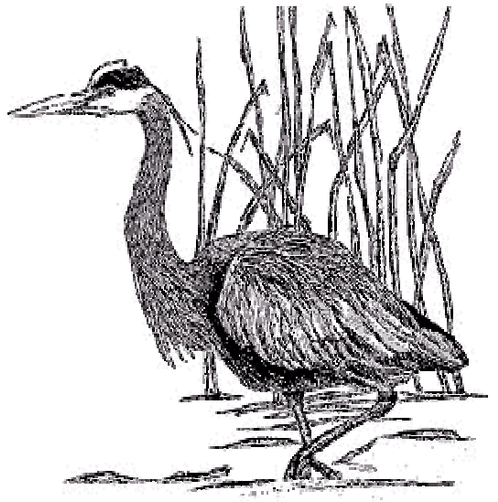
Talbot Islands State Parks Bird Checklist



Observer:_____
Date:_____
Total Species:_____

Symbols

- **A** - abundant (easily observed)
- **C** - common (often seen in suitable habitat)
- **U** - uncommon (not certain to be seen)
- **R** - rare (not to be expected)
- **O** - occasional (very rare-not seen every year)
- **X** - accidental (less than ten records)

- **SP** - Spring
- **S** - Summer
- **W** - Winter
- **F** - Fall

	SP	S	W	F
Gulls, Terns, and Allies				
____ Great Black-backed Gull	U	R	U	C
____ Herring Gull	C	R	C	A
____ Ring-Billed Gull	C	U	C	A
____ Laughing Gull	C	A	C	C
____ Bonaparte's Gull	R		R	U
____ Least Tern	C	A	C	
____ Common Tern				R
____ Forster's Tern	U	R	U	O
____ Sandwich Tern	U	R	U	O
____ Gull-billed Tern	Y	C		
____ Royal Tern	A	A	A	A
____ Caspian Tern	U	R	U	U
____ Black Tern	U	R	U	U
____ Black Skimmer	A	A	A	A
Shearwaters and Storm-Petrels				
____ Greater Shearwater		U	U	R
Pelicans and Allies				
____ Brown Pelican	C	C	C	A
____ White Pelican				
____ Northern Gannet	R			C
____ Anhinga	C	C	C	U
____ Double-crested Cormorant	C	C	C	A
Shorebirds				
____ Solitary Sandpiper	U		U	
____ Spotted Sandpiper	R	R	R	U
____ Purple Sandpiper				R
____ Western Sandpiper	C		C	C
____ Stilt Sandpiper	U		U	
____ Semipalmated Sandpiper	C	R	C	
____ Least Sandpiper	U	R	U	U
____ Willet	A	C	C	C
____ Ruddy Turnstone	C	R	C	A
____ Red Knot	C	R	C	C
____ Dunlin	C	R	C	A
____ Sanderling	C	U	C	C
____ Short-billed Dowitcher	A	R	A	C
____ Common Snipe	U		U	C
____ Marbled Godwit	O		O	O
____ Greater Yellowlegs	U		U	U
____ Lesser Yellowlegs	U		U	U
____ Long-billed Curlew	R	R	R	R
____ Whimbrel	R		U	R
____ American Oystercatcher	U	U	U	U
____ Black-bellied Plover	C	R	C	A
____ Piping Plover	U		U	U
____ Semipalmated Plover	C	R	A	A
____ Wilson's Plover	C	C	C	R
____ Killdeer	C	C	C	A
Loons and Grebes				
____ Common Loon	R	X		U
____ Red-throated Loon	X			R
____ Horned Grebe	U			C
____ Pied-billed Grebe	C	U	U	C
Water Fowl				
____ Blue-winged Teal	U	R	U	U
____ Green-winged Teal	U	R	U	C
____ Lesser Scaup	U	R	U	C
____ Greater Scaup	R			O
____ White-winged Scoter	R		R	R
____ Black Scoter	U		C	C
____ Surf Scoter	R		R	R
____ Hooded Merganser	U	R	O	C
____ Red-breasted Merganser	C	R	C	C
____ Ring-necked Duck	U	X	U	C
____ Northern Shoveler	O		U	U
____ Wood Duck	U	U	U	U
____ Fulvous Whistling Duck			R	
Rails and Allies				
____ Virginia Rail	U		R	U
____ Clapper Rail	A	A	A	A
____ King Rail	R	R	R	R
____ Common Moorhen	U	U	U	U
____ Purple Gallinule		R		
____ American Coot	U	R	O	C
____ Sora	U		R	U
Herons and Allies				
____ Great Blue Heron	C	C	C	C
____ Great Egret	C	C	C	C
____ Snowy Egret	C	C	C	C
____ Cattle Egret	C	C	C	C
____ Reddish Egret			O	R
____ Tricolor Heron	C	C	C	C
____ Little Blue Heron	C	C	C	C
____ Green-backed Heron	C	C	C	R
____ Black-crowned Night Heron	U	U	U	U
____ Yellow-crowned Night Heron	U	U	U	U
____ Least Bittern	R	U	R	X
____ Wood Stork	C	C	C	U
____ White Ibis	C	C	C	U
____ Glossy Ibis	R	R	R	R
Kingfishers				
____ Belted Kingfisher	U	R	U	C
Vultures				
____ Turkey Vulture	C	U	C	C
____ Black Vulture	U	U	U	U

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ɣks and Allies				
Cooper's Hawk	R	R	R	U
Sharp-shinned Hawk	U		U	U
Northern Harrier	U	X	U	U
Red-tailed Hawk	C	U	C	C
Red-shouldered Hawk	U	U	U	U
Bald Eagle	R	X	R	R
Osprey	C	C	C	U
Peregrine Falcon	R		O	X
Merlin	R		O	R
American Kestrel	C		C	C
es and Cuckoo				
Mourning Dove	A	A	A	A
Common Ground Dove	C	U	U	U
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	C	C	C	
s and Goatsuckers				
Eastern Screech Owl	C	C	C	C
Great Horned Owl	U	U	U	U
Short-eared Owl			R	R
Barred Owl	C	C	C	C
Chuck-will's Widow	C	C	O	
Common Nighthawk	C	C	C	
ils and Turkey				
Northern Bobwhite	C	C	C	C
mingbirds and Swifts				
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	U	C	C	X
odpeckers				
Pileated Woodpecker	U	U	U	U
Red-bellied Woodpecker	A	A	A	A
Red-headed Woodpecker	U	U	U	R
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	C		C	C
Downy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
Common Flicker	C	C	C	C
atchers				
Eastern Kingbird	U	U	C	
Great Crested Flycatcher	A	A	C	
Eastern Phoebe	U		U	C
llows				
Barn Swallow	C	R	A	
Tree Swallow	C		A	A
Purple Martin	A	A	O	O
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	R	R	R	
s and Crows				
Blue Jay	A	A	A	A
American Crow	C	C	C	C
Fish Crow	A	A	A	A
ckadees, Titmice, and Nuthatches				
Carolina Chickadee	C	U	U	U

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Tufted Titmouse	A	A	A	A
Brown-headed Nuthatch	U	U	U	U
Red-breasted Nuthatch				O
Wrens				
House Wren	C		C	C
Carolina wren	A	A	A	A
Marsh Wren	U	U	U	U
Sedge Wren	U		U	U
Thrushes and Mimids				
Wood Thrush	U	R	U	
Hermit Thrush	U		U	U
Swainson's Thrush	R		U	
Gray-cheeked Thrush	R		R	
American Robin	A		U	A
Northern Mockingbird	A	A	A	A
Brown Thrasher	C	C	C	C
Gray Catbird	C	R	C	C
Veery	R		U	
Eastern Bluebird	U	U	U	U
Waxwings, Pipits, and Starlings				
Cedar Waxwing	C		R	C
Water Pipit				U
European Starling	A	A	A	A
Kinglets and Gnatcatchers				
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	C	C	C	C
Golden-crowned Kinglet				O
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	C	C	C	C
Shrikes				
Loggerhead Shrike	U	U	U	U
Vireos				
White-eyed Vireo	C	C	C	U
Blue-headed Vireo	C		C	U
Yellow-throated Vireo	C	U	C	
Red-eyed Vireo	C	C	C	
Wood Warblers				
Black and White Warbler	C		C	C
Prothonotary Warbler	C	U	U	
Northern Parula	C	C	U	
Yellow Warbler	R		R	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	A		U	A
Black-throated Blue Warbler	U		U	
Yellow-throated Warbler	C	U	U	U
Blackpoll Warbler	C		U	
Pine Warbler	C		U	
Prairie Warbler	C	C	C	C
Palm Warbler	U		U	U
Orange-crowned Warbler	U		U	C
Ovenbird	U		U	R

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Common Yellowthroat	C	C	C	C
Yellow-breasted Chat	R	R	R	
American Redstart	A	X	A	X
Blackbirds, Orioles, and Tanagers				
Red-winged Blackbird	A	A	A	A
Boat-tailed Grackle	C	C	C	C
Common Grackle	A	A	A	A
Brown-headed Cowbird	C	C	U	C
Bronzed Cowbird		O		
Orchard Oriole	C	C		
Northern Oriole	C		C	U
Summer Tanager	C	C	U	X
Scarlet Tanager	O		O	
Bobolink	C		C	
Eastern Meadowlark	C	C	C	C
Cardinals, Grosbeaks, and Buntings				
Northern Cardinal	A	A	A	A
Indigo Bunting	C	R	C	
Painted Bunting	C	C	U	X
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	U		U	
Blue Grosbeak	U	R	U	
Sparrows and Finches				
Eastern Towhee	A	A	A	A
Savannah Sparrow	C		C	C
Seaside Sparrow	U	R	U	U
White-crowned Sparrow	R		R	R
White-throated Sparrow	C		C	C
Fox Sparrow	R		R	R
Song Sparrow	C		C	C
Field Sparrow	R		R	U
Sharp-tailed Sparrow	U		U	U
Chipping Sparrow	C		U	C
Swamp Sparrow	U	U	U	U
Pine Siskin	O			O
Dark-eyed Junco	O			O
Purple Finch	O			O
American Goldfinch	C		U	C

Field Notes:

Talbot Islands State Parks consists of a chain of five barrier islands. These islands are located along the Eastern Migratory Flyway. The location and variety of habitats within the park makes this an ideal habitat to observe birds.

Habitats found in the park include: open ocean, beach dunes, coastal grasslands, maritime hammock, depression marsh, and estuarine tidal marsh.