

WASHINGTON STATE BIRD CHECKLIST

DOVES

	SP	SU	F	W	HAB
Rock Dove (E)	-	R	-	-	B
Mourning Dove	C	C	C	C	H,G

OWLS

Eastern Screech-Owl	O	O	O	O	H
Great Horned Owl	O	O	O	O	H
Barred Owl	U	U	U	U	H,G

GOATSUCKERS

Common Nighthawk	U	U	O	-	A,H
Chick-will-widow	U	U	O	-	H
Whip-poor-will	R	-	R	R	H

SWIFTS

Chimney Swift	C	O	C	-	A
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HUMMINGBIRDS

Ruby-throated Hummingbird	U	U	O	-	H,G
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KINGFISHERS

Belted Kingfisher	U	R	C	C	R
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WOODPECKERS

Red-bellied Woodpecker	C	C	C	C	H,G
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	O	-	U	U	H,G
Downy Woodpecker	U	U	U	U	H,G
Hairy Woodpecker	O	O	O	O	H
Northern Flicker	O	O	O	O	H
Pileated Woodpecker	C	C	C	C	H,G

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

Eastern Phoebe	O	-	U	C	H
Great Crested Flycatcher	C	U	O	-	H
Belted Kingbird	R	R	R	-	H

SWALLOWS

Purple Martin	U	U	O	-	A
Tree Swallow	U	-	C	C	A,R
Barn Swallow	U	O	U	-	A

JAYS AND CROWS

Blue Jay	C	C	C	C	H,G
Florida Scrub Jay	R	U	U	R	C
American Crow	U	U	U	U	A,B,H
Fish Crow	C	C	C	C	A,B,R

SPECIES, SP, SU, F, W, HAB

TITMICE AND CHICKADEES

Carolina Chickadee	O	O	O	O	H
Tufted Titmouse	C	C	C	C	H,G

WRENS

Carolina Wren	C	C	C	C	H,G
House Wren	O	-	O	U	H,G
Marsh Wren	O	O	O	O	H

MUSICAPIDS

Ruby-crowned Kinglet	C	-	C	C	H
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	U	O	U	U	H
Veery	-	-	R	-	H
Swainson's Thrush	-	-	R	-	H
Horned Thrush	O	-	O	O	H
American Robin	U	-	O	C	H,G
Gray Catbird	C	-	C	C	H
Northern Mockingbird	U	U	U	U	B,H
Brown Thrasher	O	O	O	O	H

WAXWINGS

Cedar Waxwing	U	-	O	U	H
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VIREOS

White-eyed Vireo	U	O	U	U	H,G
Yellow-throated Vireo	O	O	O	-	H
Red-eyed Vireo	U	U	U	-	H,G

EMBERIZIDS

Orange-crowned Warbler	-	-	R	R	H,G
Northern Parula	C	U	O	-	H,G
Yellow Warbler	R	-	R	-	H,G
Cape May Warbler	R	-	-	-	H
Black-throated Blue Warbler	U	-	U	-	H,G
Yellow-rumped Warbler	C	-	C	C	H,G
Black-throated Green Warbler	R	-	R	-	H,G
Yellow-throated Warbler	O	R	O	O	H,G
Pine Warbler	O	R	O	O	H
Prairie Warbler	O	-	O	O	H
Palm Warbler	U	-	O	O	H
Blackpoll Warbler	O	-	-	-	H,G
Black-and-white Warbler	U	-	U	U	H,G
American Redstart	O	-	U	-	H
Warm-seating Warbler	O	R	R	-	H
Ovenbird	R	-	R	R	H
Northern Waterthrush	R	R	R	-	H,G

Washington Oaks
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Louisiana Waterthrush	R	-	-	-	H,G
Common Yellowthroat	O	R	O	O	HR

CARDINALS, GROSHAEK, AND BUNTINGS

Summer Tanager	O	-	-	-	H
Scarlet Tanager	R	-	-	-	H
Northern Cardinal	C	C	C	C	H,G
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	-	R	-	-	H
Indigo Bunting	R	-	R	-	H
Painted Bunting	R	-	R	-	H

EMBERIZINES

Eastern Towhee	C	C	C	C	H,C
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BLACKBIRDS AND ALLIES

Red-winged Blackbird	C	U	C	O	HR
Boys-tailed Grackle	U	U	U	U	H,R
Common Grackle	U	U	U	U	H,R
Orchard Oriole	R	-	-	-	H,G
Baltimore Oriole	O	-	O	O	H,G

FINCHES

American Goldfinch	O	-	O	-	H
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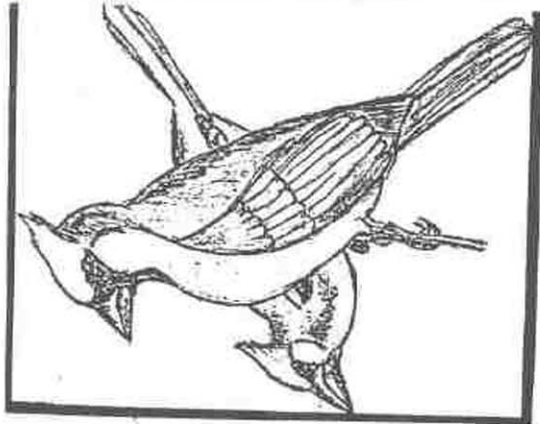
Area(s) Birded:

Date:

Weather:

Observer(s):

Notes:



Please report any observations of any species that are not found on this list as well as any rare birds or those found at times other than indicated in this checklist.



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Washington Oaks State Gardens covers 400 acres extending from the Atlantic Ocean to the Matanzas River. The park has a variety of communities including beach, coastal scrub, coastal hammock, and tidal marsh. The bird-life is quite diverse with shorebirds frequenting the beach, egrets, herons, and wading birds along the Matanzas River, and warblers frequenting the oak trees in the hammocks. Some good places to bird are the beach crossover platform, the gardens, and the Mala Compra hiking trail through the hammock to the picnic area. Make sure you take the paths out to the tidal marsh.

* Acknowledgment - This checklist has been compiled from surveys at Washington Oaks State Gardens thanks to the Flagler Audubon Society and other volunteers who spent numerous hours surveying the park.

TAXONOMY

The taxonomy follows Florida Bird Species. An Annotated List by W. B. Robertson, Jr. and G. E. Woolfenden, 1992, and the 39th Supplement to the American Ornithologists' Union Check-list of North American Birds. Horizontal lines separate families. An (E) after the name indicates an established exotic species.

SEASONS

General periods in which to expect the various species.

Spring (SP): March, April, May
Summer (SU): June, July, August
Fall (F): September, October, November
Winter (W): December, January, February

C Common: Certain to be seen or heard in suitable habitat.
U Uncommon: Usually present in small numbers, observed infrequently, not certain to be seen.
O Occasional: Seen only a few times a season.
R Rare: Not to be expected; observed at intervals of 2 - 5 years.
X Accidental: No regular pattern of occurrence; may also apply to out-of-season records of "regular" species.

These categories are only relative, subjective indices of bird abundance. Used in conjunction with habitat categories, they should indicate the relative distribution and abundance of birds within the recreation area. The list is based on actual sightings of birds at Washington Oaks State Gardens or offshore waters and reflects the chances of seeing a particular species.

HABITAT CLASSIFICATION (HAB)

These are general and sometimes broad habitat categories.

A Aerial-applies to birds most often seen in flight.
B Beach, Open Ocean-includes beach, dunes, open ocean.
C Coastal Scrub-includes coastal strand and coastal scrub.
G Gardens - landscaped areas and formal planted gardens.
H Hammock-upland forest dominated by broadleaf trees.
R River-river and its surrounding tidal wetlands.

SPECIES

SPECIES	SP	SU	F	W	HAB
LOONS					
Common Loon				U	B
GREBES					
Horned Grebe					O B
GANNETS					
Northern Gannet	U				C A,B
PELICANS					
American White Pelican	O				O A,B
Brown Pelican	C	C	C	C	A,B
CORMORANTS					
Double-crested Cormorant	C	U	C	C	A,B,R
DARTERS					
Anhinga	O	O	O	O	A,R
HERONS					
Great Blue Heron	C	C	C	C	R
Great Egret	C	C	C	C	R
Snowy Egret	C	C	C	C	R
Little Blue Heron	C	C	C	C	R
Tricolored Heron	C	C	C	C	R
Green Heron	U	U	U	U	R
Black-crowned Night-Heron	U	U	U	U	R
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	O	O	O	O	R
IBES & SPOONBILLS					
White Ibis	O	O	O	O	A,B,R
Rosette Spoonbill	O	O	O	O	R
STORKS					
Wood Stork	O	O	O	O	R
AMERICAN VULTURES					
Black Vulture	O	O	O	O	A
Turkey Vulture	C	C	C	C	A
DUCKS					
Hooded Merganser	O				U R,B
Red-breasted Merganser	U				O C B,R
HAWKS & ALLIES					
Osprey	C	C	C	C	A,R
Swallow-tailed Kite	O	O			A
Bald Eagle	O	O	O	O	A,R

SPECIES

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Northern Harrier	O				O A,C
Sharp-shinned Hawk	O				O O H
Red-shouldered Hawk	C	C	C	C	A,H
Broad-winged Hawk					R A
American Kestrel	O				O A,C
Merlin	R				O R A,H
Peregrine Falcon	R				O R A,B
TURKEY AND QUAIL					
Wild Turkey	R	R	R	R	R H
Northern Bobwhite	O	O	O	O	H
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS					
Clapper Rail	O	O	O	O	R
Common Moorhen	U	U	U	U	R
CRANES					
Sandhill Crane	O				O A
PLOVERS					
Black-bellied Plover	C	U	C	C	B
Scaup-plumaged Plover	O				U U B
Killdeer					U B
SANDPEPPERS AND ALLIES					
Willet	C	C	C	C	B
Spotted Sandpiper	O				O O R,B
Ruddy Turnstone	U	O	U	U	B
Red Knot	R				R B
Sanderling	C	C	C	C	B
Purple Sandpiper					R B
Dunlin					O B
GULLS, TERNS, AND SKIMMERS					
Laughing Gull	C	U	C	C	A,B
Brewster's Gull					O A,B
Ring-billed Gull	C	O	C	C	A,B,R
Herring Gull	U	O	U	U	A,B
Great Black-backed Gull	O				O A,B
Caspian Tern	U	O	O	U	A,B,R
Royal Tern	C	O	O	C	A,B,R
Sooty Tern	C	O	O	O	A,B,R
Common Tern	R				R R A,B
Forster's Tern	O				O U A,B,R
Least Tern	U	U	O		A,B,R

CATEGORIES OF ABUNDANCE

These designations apply to the relative abundance of species seen or heard in the appropriate habitat.