

Seasons observed

Sp Su F W

- *Northern flicker
- *Pileated woodpecker
- Flycatchers**
- Olive-sided flycatcher
- *Eastern wood pewee
- *Acadian flycatcher
- Eastern phoebe
- *Great crested flycatcher
- *Eastern kingbird
- Swallows**
- *Purple martin
- Tree swallow
- Northern rough-winged swallow
- Cliff swallow
- *Barn swallow

Jays and Crows

- *Blue jay
- *American crow
- *Fish crow

Titmice

- *Carolina chickadee
- Tufted titmouse

Nuthatches

- Red-breasted nuthatch
- White-breasted nuthatch

Creepers

- Brown creeper

Wrens

- *Carolina wren
- House wren
- Winter wren

Thrushes and Allies

- Golden-crowned kinglet
- Ruby-crowned kinglet
- *Blue-gray gnatcatcher
- Veery
- Swainson's thrush
- Hermit thrush
- *Wood thrush
- *American robin

Mimics

- *Gray catbird
- *Northern mockingbird



*Brown thrasher	C	C	C	C	C
Waxwings	C	-	U	C	
Cedar waxwing					
Starlings	C	C	C	C	C
*European starling					
Vireos	C	C	C	C	C
*White-eyed vireo					
Solitary vireo	-	-	r	r	
Yellow-throated vireo	U	U	r	-	
Philadelphia vireo	-	-	r	-	
*Red-eyed vireo	U	U	U	-	
Wood Warblers					
Blue-winged warbler	-	-	U	-	
Tennessee warbler	-	-	U	-	
Orange-crowned warbler	-	-	U	r	
*Northern parula	U	U	U	-	
*Yellow warbler	U	U	U	-	
Magnolia warbler	-	-	C	-	
Cape May warbler	-	-	C	-	
Black-throated blue warbler	-	-	C	-	
Yellow-rumped warbler	C	-	C	C	
Black-throated green warbler	-	-	U	-	
Blackburnian warbler	r	-	U	-	
*Yellow-throated warbler	U	U	r	r	
*Pine warbler	C	C	C	C	
*Prairie warbler	C	C	U	r	
Palm warbler	-	-	C	U	
Bay-breasted warbler	-	-	U	-	
Blackpoll warbler	U	-	C	-	
Black-and-white warbler	U	-	U	r	
American redstart	r	-	C	-	
*Prothonotary warbler	U	r	-	-	
Worm-eating warbler	-	-	U	-	
Swainson's warbler	-	-	r	-	
*Ovenbird	U	U	U	r	
Northern waterthrush	-	-	U	-	
Louisiana waterthrush	-	-	U	-	

- *Common yellowthroat
- *Hooded warbler
- *Yellow-breasted chat
- Tanagers**
- *Summer tanager
- Scarlet tanager
- Cardinals and Allies**
- *Northern cardinal
- Rose-breasted grosbeak
- *Blue grosbeak
- *Indigo bunting

New World Sparrows and Allies

- *Rufous-sided towhee
- Chipping sparrow
- *Field sparrow
- Savannah sparrow
- *Song sparrow
- Swamp sparrow
- White-throated sparrow
- Dark-eyed junco

Blackbirds and Orioles

- Bobolink
- *Red-winged blackbird
- Rusty blackbird
- Boat-tailed grackle
- *Common grackle
- *Brown-headed cowbird
- *Orchard oriole
- Northern oriole

Finches

- Purple finch
- House finch
- Pine siskin
- American goldfinch
- Evening grosbeak
- House sparrow



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Animals

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Status (D=documented; E=expected)

AMPHIBIANS

Salamanders

- Greater siren (*Siren lacertina*) E
- Eastern newt (*Notophthalmus viridescens*) D
- Two-toed amphiuma (*Amphiuma means*) D
- Marbled salamander (*Ambystoma opacum*) D
- Red-backed salamander (*Plethodon cinereus*) D

Frogs and Toads

- Eastern spadefoot toad (*Scaphiopus holbrookii*) D
- Oak toad (*Bufo quercicus*) D
- Southern toad (*Bufo terrestris*) D
- Fowler's toad (*Bufo woodhousei fowleri*) D
- Southern cricket frog (*Acris gryllus*) D
- Copes' gray treefrog (*Hyla chrysoscelis*) D
- Green treefrog (*Hyla cinerea*) D
- Spring peeper (*Hyla crucifer*) E
- Pine woods treefrog (*Hyla femoralis*) E
- Squirrel treefrog (*Hyla squirella*) D
- Bullfrog (*Rana catesbeiana*) D
- Green frog (*Rana clamitans*) D
- Southern leopard frog (*Rana utricularia*) D
- Eastern narrow-mouthed frog (*Gastrophryne carolinensis*) D

REPTILES

Turtles

- Striped mud turtle (*Kinosternon baurii*) D
- Snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*) D
- Eastern mud turtle (*Kinosternon subrubrum*) D
- Redbelly turtle (*Pseudemys rubriventris*) D
- Yellowbelly slider turtle (*Trachemys scripta*) D
- Spotted turtle (*Clemmys guttata*) D
- Chicken turtle (*Deirochelys reticulata*) D
- Diamondback terrapin (*Malaclemys terrapin*) E
- Eastern box turtle (*Terrapene carolina*) D

Lizards

- Carolina anole (*Anolis carolinensis*) D
- Southern five-lined skink (*Eumeces inexpectatus*) D
- Ground skink (*Scincella lateralis*) D
- Six-lined racerunner (*Cnemidophorus sexlineatus*) D
- Eastern glass lizard (*Ophisaurus ventralis*) D

Snakes

- Worm snake (*Carphophis amoenus*) D
- Scarlet snake (*Cemophora coccinea*) D
- Black racer (*Coluber constrictor*) D
- Ringneck snake (*Diadophis punctatus*) D
- Corn snake (*Elaphe guttata*) E
- Black rat snake (*Elaphe obsoleta*) E
- Mud snake (*Farancia abacura*) E
- Rainbow snake (*Farancia erytrogramma*) D
- Eastern hognose snake (*Heterodon platyrhinos*) D
- Eastern kingsnake (*Lampropeltis getulus*) E
- Redbelly watersnake (*Nerodia erythrogaster*) D
- Carolina salt marsh snake (*Nerodia sipedon williamsi*) E
- Brown watersnake (*Nerodia taxiphiota*) D
- Rough green snake (*Ophedrys aestivus*) D
- Pine woods snake (*Rhadinea flavilata*) D
- Carolina swamp snake (*Seminatrix pygaea*) D
- Brown snake (*Storeria dekayi*) D
- Eastern ribbon snake (*Thamnophis sauritus*) D
- Eastern garter snake (*Thamnophis sirtalis*) E

Venomous Snakes

- Cottonmouth (*Agkistrodon piscivorus*) D
- Timber rattlesnake (*Crotalus horridus*) D

FISH

- Rainwater killifish (*Lucania parva*) D
- Mosquitofish (*Gambusia affinis holbrooki*) D
- Golden shiner (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*) D
- Bluegill (*Lepomis macrochirus*) D
- Pumpkinseed (*Lepomis gibbosus*) D
- Largemouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) D
- Black crappie (*Pomoxis nigromaculatus*) D

MAMMALS

Pouched Mammals

- Virginia opossum (*Didelphis virginiana*) D

Shrews and Moles

- Eastern mole (*Scalopus aquaticus*) D
- Southern short-tailed shrew (*Blarina carolinensis*) D
- Least shrew (*Cryptotis parva parva*) D

Bats

- Red bat (*Lasiurus borealis*) D
- Big brown bat (*Eptesicus fuscus*) E
- Eastern pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus subflavus*) E
- Silver-haired bat (*Lasionycteris noctivagans*) D

Rabbits and Hares

- Eastern cottontail (*Sylvilagus floridanus malluruns*) D
- Marsh rabbit (*Sylvilagus palustris*) D

Gnawing Mammals

- Gray squirrel (*Sciurus carolinensis*) D
- Marsh rice rat (*Oryzomys palustris*) D
- Eastern harvest mouse (*Reithrodontomys humulidis*) D
- White-footed mouse (*Peromyscus leucopus*) D
- Cotton mouse (*Peromyscus gossypinus*) E
- Hispid cotton rat (*Sigmodon hispidus*) D
- Meadow vole (*Microtus pennsylvanicus*) D
- Muskrat (*Ondatra zibethicus*) D
- House mouse (*Mus musculus*) D
- Nonway rat (*Rattus norvegicus*) D
- Nutria (*Myocastor coypus*)—non-native D

Carnivorous (Meat-Eating) Mammals

- Gray fox (*Urocyon cinereoargenteus*) D
- Raccoon (*Procyon lotor*) D
- River otter (*Lutra canadensis*) D
- Mink (*Mustela vison mink*) D
- Red fox (*Vulpes vulpes*) D

Hoofed Mammals

- White-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) D

BIRDS

SEASON OBSERVED KEY:

- Sp=March-May; Su=June-August
- F=September-November; W=December-February
- c=common; u=uncommon; r=rare; *=nests locally

Seasons observed

- | | Sp | Su | F | W |
|--------------------------|----|----|---|---|
| Grebes | - | - | u | u |
| Pelicans | - | r | - | - |
| Cormorants | u | u | u | u |
| Hérons and Egrets | c | u | c | c |
| Great blue heron | c | c | c | c |
| Great egret | c | c | c | c |
| Snowy egret | c | c | c | c |
| Little blue heron | c | c | c | u |
| *Green-backed heron | c | c | u | r |

Pied-billed grebe

- Pied-billed grebe

Brown pelican

- Brown pelican

Double-crested cormorant

- Double-crested cormorant

Great blue heron

- Great blue heron

Great egret

- Great egret

Snowy egret

- Snowy egret

Little blue heron

- Little blue heron

*Green-backed heron

- *Green-backed heron

- Black-crowned night heron

Geese and Ducks

- *Wood duck
- American black duck
- *Mallard
- Blue-winged teal

Vultures

- Turkey vulture

Hawks and Eagles

- *Osprey
- American swallow-tailed kite
- Bald eagle
- Northern harrier
- Sharp-shinned hawk
- Cooper's hawk
- *Red-shouldered hawk
- Red-tailed hawk

Falcons

- American kestrel
- Merlin
- Peregrine falcon

Grouse and Quails

- *Northern bobwhite

Rails and Allies

- *Clapper rail
- Virginia rail
- American coot

Sandpipers

- Great yellowlegs
- Solitary sandpiper
- Spotted sandpiper
- Semipalmated sandpiper
- Least sandpiper
- Short-billed dowitcher

Gulls and Terns

- Laughing gull
- Ring-billed gull
- Herring gull
- Great black-backed gull
- Royal tern
- Forster's tern
- Least tern
- Common tern

Doves

- *Mourning dove

Cuckoos

- Yellow-billed cuckoo

Owls

- *Eastern screech-owl
- *Great horned owl
- Barred owl

Night Jars

- Common nighthawk
- *Chuck-will's-widow

Swifts

- *Chimney swift

Hummingbirds

- *Ruby-throated hummingbird

Kingfishers

- *Belted kingfisher

Woodpeckers

- *Red-bellied woodpecker
- Yellow-bellied woodpecker
- *Downy woodpecker