

BIRDS OF THE LONG LAKE National Wildlife Refuge

The following **checklist** includes 304 birds. Species that are known to nest on the Refuge are noted with a bullet (●). Most of the species listed have been seen on the Refuge. Those species known to occur in the vicinity that have not actually been sighted on the Refuge are noted in *italics*. Visitors are encouraged to report new or noteworthy observations to Refuge staff. All species names are in accordance with the *American Ornithologist, Union, 1998. Check-list of North American Birds, 7th ed. Am. Ornithol. Union, Washington, D.C.* For clarity, some of the former names of bird species are shown in parentheses.

Bird species listed as “Accidentals” have been sighted once or only a few times and the Refuge is outside of their normal range.

Seasons

Since many birds are migratory, their seasonal occurrence and relative abundance are noted as follows:

SP —Spring	March-May
S —Summer	June-August
F —Fall	September-November
W — Winter	December-February

Seasonal Abundance

c common	certain to be seen in suitable habitat.
u uncommon	present, but not certain to be seen
r rare	seen at intervals of 2 to 5 years
(i) irregular	indicates a species which is irregular during at least one season
●	denotes a species that nests on the Refuge
o	denotes a species that likely nested on the Refuge historically, but does not presently nest on the Refuge
E	threatened and endangered species in the United States

Common Bird Name	SP	S	F	W	Common Bird Name	SP	S	F	W
Loons					— Yellow-crowned Night Heron	r	r	r	
— Common Loon	r				— Great Blue Heron	c	u	c	
Grebes					— Green Heron	r	r	r	
—• Clark’s Grebe	u	u	u		— Little blue Heron	r	r	r	
—• Eared Grebe	c	c	c		—• Cattle Egret	c	c	c	
—• Horned Grebe	u	u	u		— Great Egret	u	u	c	
—• Pied-billed Grebe	c	c	c		—• Snowy Egret	r	u	r	
— Red-necked Grebe	r	r			Ibises and Spoonbills				
—• Western Grebe	c	c	c		—• White-faced Ibis	u	u	u	
Pelicans					New World Vultures				
— American White Pelican	c	c	c		— Turkey Vulture	u	u	u	u
Cormorants					Swans, Geese, and Ducks				
—• Double Crested Cormorant	c	c	c		— Trumpeter Swan			r	
Bitterns, Herons, and Egrets					— Tundra Swan	u		c	
—• American Bittern	c	c	c		—• Canada Goose	c	c	c	u
— Least Bittern	r	r	r		— Cackling Goose	c		c	
—• Black-crowned Night-Heron	c	c	c		— Greater White-fronted Goose	c		c	
					— Snow Goose (Snow & Blue)	c	r	c	

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— Ross' Goose	u		u		Plovers				
— American Black Duck	r		r		— American Golden Plover	r		r	
—• Gadwall	c	c	c		— Black-bellied Plover	r		r	
—• Mallard	c	c	c	u	—• Killdeer	c	c	c	
—• Northern Pintail	c	c	c		—• ^E Piping Plover	u	u	u	
—• Northern Shoveler	c	c	c		— Semipalmated Plover	u		u	
—• Blue-winged Teal	c	c	c		Stilts and Avocets				
—• Cinnamon Teal	r	r	r		—• American Avocet	c	c	c	
—• Green-winged Teal	c	u	c		Sandpipers and Phalaropes				
—• American Wigeon	c	u	c		— Hudsonian Godwit	r			
—• Ruddy Duck	c	c	c		—• Marbled Godwit	c	c	c	
—• Wood Duck	u	u	u		— Long-billed Curlew	r			
—• Canvasback	c	c	c		— Whimbrel	r			
—• Redhead	c	c	c		— Greater Yellowlegs	u	u	u	
—• Ring-necked Duck	c	r	c		— Lesser Yellowlegs	c	u	c	
— Greater Scaup	r		r		—• Willet	c	c	c	
—• Lesser Scaup	c	u	c		—• Spotted Sandpiper	c	c	c	
—• Bufflehead	c	u	c		— Solitary Sandpiper	u	u	u	
— Common Goldeneye	c		c	r	— Red-necked Phalarope	u		u	
— White-winged Scoter			r		—• Wilson's Phalarope	c	c	c	
— Common Merganser	c		u	r	— Long-billed Dowitcher	c	c	c	
—• Hooded Merganser	u	r	u		— Short-billed Dowitcher	u	u	u	
— Red-breasted Merganser	r		r		— Stilt Sandpiper	u	u	u	
Osprey, Kites, Hawks, and Eagles					—• Wilson's Snipe	u	u	u	
— ^E Bald Eagle	c		c	r	— Red Knot	r	r	r	
— Golden Eagle	u	r	u	u	— Ruddy Turnstone	u	u		
—• Northern Harrier	c	c	c	r	— Dunlin	u		u	
—• Cooper's Hawk	u	u	u		— Sanderling	u	u	u	
— Northern Goshawk	r		r	r	— Baird's Sandpiper	c	u	u	
— Sharp-shinned Hawk	u	r	u		— Buff-breasted Sandpiper	r		r	
— Broad-winged Hawk	r		r		— Least Sandpiper	c	c	c	
—• Ferruginous Hawk	u	u	u		— Pectoral Sandpiper	u		u	
—• Red-tailed Hawk	c	c	c	r	— Semipalmated Sandpiper	c	u	c	
— Rough-legged Hawk	u		u	u	—• Upland Sandpiper	c	c	c	
—• Swainson's Hawk	u	u	u		— Western Sandpiper	r	r	r	
— Osprey	r		r		— White-rumped Sandpiper	c	u	r	
Falcons and Caracaras					Skuas, Jaegers, Gulls, and Terns				
— GyrFalcon				r	— Bonaparte's Gull	r	r	r	
—• American Kestrel	u		u	r	— California Gull	u	r	u	
— Merlin	u		u	r	—• Franklin's Gull	c	c	c	
— Peregrine Falcon	r		r		— Herring Gull	c	r	u	
— Prairie Falcon	u	r	u	r	—• Ring-billed Gull	c	c	c	
Gallinaceous Birds					—• Black Tern	c	c	c	
— Greater Prairie-Chicken	r	r	r	r	— Caspian Tern	r		r	
—• Sharp-tailed Grouse	c	c	c	c	—• Common Tern	c	u	c	
—• Gray Partridge	c	c	c	c	—• Forster's Tern	c	c	c	
—• Ring-necked Pheasant	c	c	c	c	— Least Tern	r			
— Wild Turkey	u	u	u	u	Pigeons and Doves				
Rails					—• Mourning Dove	c	c	c	r
—• American Coot	c	c	c		—• Rock Pigeon	u	u	u	u
—• Sora	c	c	c		Cuckoos and Anis				
—• Virginia Rail	u	u	u		—• Black-billed Cuckoo (i)	u	u	u	
—• Yellow Rail	r	r	r		— <i>Yellow-billed Cuckoo</i>	r			
Cranes					Typical Owls				
— Sandhill Crane	c	r	c		— Burrowing Owl	r	r		
— ^E Whooping Crane	r		r		—• Great Horned Owl	c	c	c	c
					— Long-eared Owl	r	r	r	r
					— Eastern Screech Owl	r	r	r	r

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— Northern Saw-whet Owl			r	r
— Northern Hawk Owl				r
—• Short-eared Owl (i)	c	c	c	r
— Snowy Owl (i)	u		r	u
Barn Owls				
— Barn Owl		r	r	
Nightjars				
—• Common Nighthawk	u	u	u	
— Whip-poor-will	r			
Swifts				
— Chimney Swift	r	r	r	
Hummingbirds				
— Ruby-throated Hummingbird	r	r	r	
Kingfishers				
— Belted Kingfisher	u	r	u	
Woodpeckers				
—• Northern Flicker	c	u	c	u
—• Downy Woodpecker	u	u	u	u
—• Hairy Woodpecker	u	u	u	u
—• Red-headed Woodpecker	r	r	r	
— Red-bellied Woodpecker	r		r	
— Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	u	u	u	
Tyrant Flycatchers				
—• Eastern Kingbird	c	c	c	
—• Western Kingbird	c	c	c	
— Alder Flycatcher	r		r	
— Great Crested Flycatcher	r	r		
—• Least Flycatcher	r	r	r	
— Olive-sided Flycatcher	r	r	r	
— Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	r		r	
—• Willow Flycatcher	u	u	u	
— Eastern Wood Pewee	r			
—• Eastern Phoebe	r	r	r	
—• Say's Phoebe	u	u	u	
Shrikes				
— Northern Shrike	u		u	u
—• Loggerhead Shrike	u	u	u	
Vireos				
— Blue-headed Vireo	r		r	
— Philadelphia Vireo	r	r	r	
— Red-eyed Vireo	u	u	u	
—• Warbling Vireo	r	r	r	
— Yellow-throated Vireo	r	r	r	
Crows, Jays, and Magpies				
—• American Crow	c	u	c	u
— Blue Jay .	u	u	u	u
—• Black-billed Magpie	u	u	u	u
Larks				
—• Horned Lark (i)	c	c	c	c
Swallows				
—• Purple Martin	u	c	u	
—• Bank Swallow	c	c	c	
—• Barn Swallow	c	c	c	
—• Cliff Swallow	c	c	c	
—• Northern Rough-winged Swallow	u	u	u	
—• Tree Swallow	c	c	c	

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Titmice and Chickadees				
—• Black-capped Chickadee	u	u	u	u
Nuthatches				
— Red-breasted Nuthatch	u		u	u
—• White-breasted Nuthatch	u	u	u	u
Creepers				
— Brown Creeper	r		r	r
Wrens				
—• House Wren	c	c	c	
—• Marsh Wren	c	c	c	
—• Sedge Wren	c	c	c	
— Winter Wren			r	
Kinglets				
— Golden-crowned Kinglet	r		r	r
— Ruby-crowned Kinglet	r		r	r
Thrushes				
— Eastern Bluebird	r	r	r	
— Mountain Bluebird	u		u	
— Townsend's Solitaire	r	r	r	
— Veery	r	r	r	
— Gray-cheeked Thrush	r		r	
— Hermit Thrush	r		r	
— Swainson's Thrush	u	r	u	
—• American Robin	c	c	c	r
Mimic Thrushers				
—• Gray Catbird	u	u	u	
— Northern Mockingbird		r		
—• Brown Thrasher	c	c	c	
Starlings				
—• European Starling	u	u	u	u
Wagtail and Pipits				
— American Pipit	u		u	
—• Sprague's Pipit	u	u	u	
Waxwings				
— Bohemian Waxwing (i)				u
—• Cedar Waxwing (i)	r	r	r	u
Wood Warblers				
— American Redstart	u	r	u	
— Bay-breasted Warbler	r		r	
— Black and White Warbler	u		u	
— Blackburnian Warbler	r		r	
— Blackpoll Warbler	u	r	u	
— Black-throated Green Warbler	r		r	
— Canada Warbler	r		r	
— Cape May Warbler	r	r	r	
— Chestnut-sided Warbler	r		r	
—• Common Yellowthroat	c	c	c	
— Connecticut Warbler	r	r		
— MacGillivray's Warbler	r			
— Magnolia Warbler	r		r	
— Mourning Warbler	r	r	r	
— Nashville Warbler	r		r	
— Orange-crowned Warbler	u		u	
— Palm Warbler	u		u	
— Tennessee Warbler	u	r	u	
— Wilson's Warbler	u	r	u	
—• Yellow Warbler	c	c	u	
— Yellow-rumped Warbler	c	u	r	

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— Ovenbird	u	u	u	
— Northern Waterthrush	r	r	r	
— Yellow-breasted Chat	r		r	
Tanagers				
— Scarlet Tanager	r		r	
Sparrows and Towhees				
— Spotted Towhee	r		r	
— American Tree Sparrow	c		c	r
—• Baird's Sparrow	u	u	u	
—• Chipping Sparrow	u	u	u	
—• Clay-colored Sparrow	c	c	c	
— Field Sparrow	u	r	u	
— Fox Sparrow	r		r	
—• Grasshopper Sparrow	c	c	c	
— Harris Sparrow	u		u	
—• Henslow's Sparrow	r	r	r	
—• Lark Sparrow	r	r	r	
—• Le Contes Sparrow	u	u	u	
— Lincoln's Sparrow	u	r	u	
—• Savannah Sparrow	c	c	c	
—• Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow	u	u	u	
—• Song Sparrow	c	c	c	
— Swamp Sparrow	u	r	u	
—• Vesper Sparrow	u	u	u	
— White-crowned Sparrow	u		u	
— White-throated Sparrow	u		u	
—• Chestnut-collared Longspur	c	c	u	
— McCown's Longspur	r	r	r	
— Lapland Longspur	c		c	u
— Smith's Longspur	r		r	
— Dark-eyed Junco	u		u	u
—• Lark Bunting (i)	r	c	r	
— Snow Bunting (i)	u		u	c
Cardinals, Grosbeaks, and Allies				
— Rose-breasted Grosbeak	r			r
— Black-headed Grosbeak	r	r	r	
— Blue Grosbeak	r	r	r	
— Indigo Bunting	r	r	r	
— Lazuli Bunting	r	r	r	
—• Dickcissel (i)	u	u	u	
Blackbird and Orioles				
—• Bobolink	c	c	c	
—• Western Meadowlark	c	c	c	
—• Brewer's Blackbird	u	u	u	
— Rusty Blackbird	r		r	r
—• Red-winged Blackbird	c	c	c	r
—• Yellow-headed Blackbird	c	c	u	
—• Brown-headed Cowbird	c	c	c	
—• Common Grackle	c	c	c	r
— Bullock's Oriole	r	r		
—• Baltimore Oriole	c	c	c	
—• Orchard Oriole	u	u	r	

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Finches				
—• American Goldfinch (i)	c	c	c	u
— House Finch	r	r	r	u
— Purple Finch	u		u	u
— Evening Grosbeak				r
— Pine Grosbeak (i)	r		r	r
— Red Crossbill (i)	r	r	r	r
— White-winged Crossbill (i)	r		r	r
— Pine Siskin (i)	r		r	u
— Common Redpoll (i)	u			u
— Hoary Redpoll (i)	r			r
Old World Sparrows				
—• House Sparrow	c	c	c	c
Accidentals				
— Tri-colored Heron (<i>unsuccessful nest attempt in 1978</i>)				
— White Ibis				
— Garganey				
— Long-tailed Duck (<i>formerly Oldsquaw</i>)				
— Barrow's Goldeneye				
— Black Brant				
—• Black-necked Stilt				
— Red Phalarope				
— Long-tailed Jaeger				
— Northern Cardinal				
— Arctic Tern				
— Glaucous Gull				
— Thayer's Gull				
— Sabine's Gull				
— Lesser Black-backed Gull				
— Surf Scoter				
— Black Scoter				
— Phothonotary Warbler				
— Red-shouldered Hawk				
— Lewis's Woodpecker				
— Violet-green Swallow				
— European Collared-Dove				
— Prairie Warbler				
— Eastern Meadowlark				
— Snowy Plover				
— Parasitic Jaeger				