

Nuthatches and Creepers

- Red-breasted Nuthatch (I)
- White-breasted Nuthatch (Y)
- Brown Creeper (M)

Wrens

- House Wren (S)
- Marsh Wren (S)

Old World Warblers, Thrushes, and Allies

- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (M)
- Swainson's Thrush (M)
- Eastern Bluebird (I)
- Mountain Bluebird (M)
- Townsend's Solitaire (I)
- American Robin (S)

Starlings and Mimids

- European Starling (Y)
- Gray Catbird (S)
- Northern Mockingbird (I)
- Brown Thrasher (I)

Waxwings

- Cedar Waxwing (I)

Finches, Pipits, and Old World Sparrows

- House Finch (Y)
- American Goldfinch (Y)
- Lesser Goldfinch (I)
- Pine Siskin (M)
- American Pipit (M)
- House Sparrow (Y)

Sparrows and Allies

- Spotted Towhee (M)
- Cassin's Sparrow (I)
- American Tree Sparrow (W)
- Chipping Sparrow (S)
- Clay-colored Sparrow (M)
- Field Sparrow (I)
- Brewer's Sparrow (M)
- Vesper Sparrow (S)
- Lark Sparrow (S)
- Lark Bunting (M)
- Savannah Sparrow (I)
- Grasshopper Sparrow (I)
- Song Sparrow (Y)
- Lincoln's Sparrow (M)

- Swamp Sparrow (I)
- White-crowned Sparrow (W)
- Dark-eyed Junco (W)

Icterids

- Yellow-breasted Chat (S)
- Red-winged Blackbird (Y)
- Western Meadowlark (S)
- Yellow-headed Blackbird (S)
- Rusty Blackbird (I)
- Brewer's Blackbird (M)
- Common Grackle (S)
- Great-tailed Grackle (S)
- Brown-headed Cowbird (S)
- Orchard Oriole (S)
- Bullock's Oriole (S)

Wood-Warblers

- Yellow Warbler (S)
- Yellow-rumped Warbler (M)
- Townsend's Warbler (I)
- Orange-crowned Warbler (M)
- Common Yellowthroat (S)
- Wilson's Warbler (M)

Tanagers and Allies

- Western Tanager (I)
- Black-headed Grosbeak (I)
- Blue Grosbeak (S)
- Lazuli Bunting (I)
- Indigo Bunting (I)

Other Birds Sighted/Field Notes

Disclaimer: This checklist is composed of bird species that are most likely to be seen at this state park. The intent of this list is to help park visitors identify the breadth of species most commonly associated with this location. Other species that are rarely observed were purposely omitted from this list.

Sources: CPW Resource Stewardship Breeding Bird Survey Project (CPW Parkwide Breeding Bird Survey, CPW State Park Raptor Monitoring Project, Colorado Breeding Bird Atlas II, eBird, and other researched sources when available).

Birding Tips



Always view birds and other wildlife from a safe distance.



Use binoculars or a spotting scope for a closer view.



Protect young by avoiding nests or dens.



Help protect birds by using your senses to find them, not recorded calls.



To see more birds, keep voices and other sounds low.



Protect plants and wildlife by staying on trails and respecting closures.



Keep dogs leashed and under control at all times.



For the best viewing experience, leave pets at home.



Human food can hurt wildlife—please keep their diets wild.



Take nothing but pictures—leave what you find for others to enjoy.



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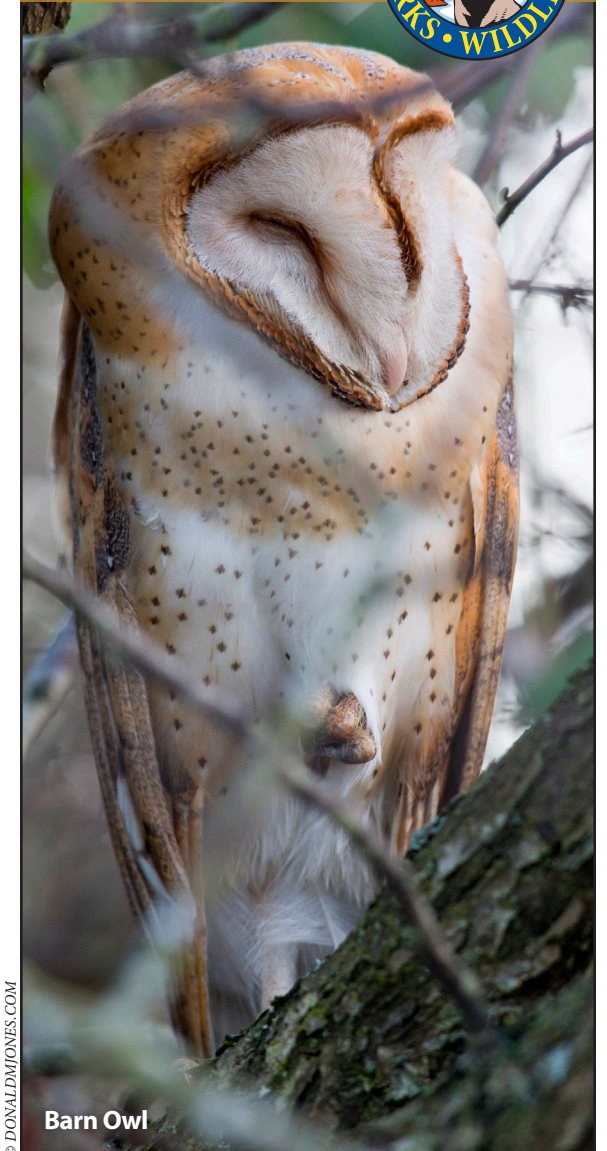
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Birds at St. Vrain State Park



BIRD SPECIES CHECKLIST



Barn Owl

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Seasonal Visibility Key

- (S)—Summer
(M)—Migration
(Spring/Fall)
- (W)—Winter
(I)—Infrequent
(Y)—Year-round

Ducks, Geese, and Swans

- Snow Goose (W)
- Ross's Goose (I)
- Greater White-fronted Goose (M)
- Cackling Goose (W)
- Canada Goose (Y)
- Mute Swan (I)
- Trumpeter Swan (I)
- Tundra Swan (W, I)
- Wood Duck (S)
- American Wigeon (Y)
- Mallard (Y)
- Gadwall (Y)
- Blue-winged Teal (S)
- Cinnamon Teal (S)
- Northern Shoveler (Y)
- Northern Pintail (Y)
- Green-winged Teal (Y)
- Canvasback (W)
- Redhead (Y)
- Ring-necked Duck (W)
- Greater Scaup (I)
- Lesser Scaup (Y)
- White-winged Scoter (I)
- Bufflehead (W)
- Common Goldeneye (W)
- Barrow's Goldeneye (I)
- Hooded Merganser (W)
- Common Merganser (Y)
- Red-breasted Merganser (W)
- Ruddy Duck (W)

Landfowl

- Ring-necked Pheasant (I)
- Wild Turkey (S, M)

Grebes

- Pied-billed Grebe (S)
- Horned Grebe (M)
- Eared Grebe (M)
- Western Grebe (S)
- Clark's Grebe (M)

Pigeons, Doves and Cuckoos

- Rock Pigeon (Y)
- Eurasian Collared-Dove (Y)
- Mourning Dove (S)

Goatsuckers

- Common Nighthawk (S, I)

Hummingbirds

- Broad-tailed Hummingbird (S)

Rails, Coots, and Cranes

- Virginia Rail (I)
- Sora (I)
- Common Moorhen (I)
- American Coot (Y)
- Sandhill Crane (M)

Shorebirds

- Semipalmated Plover (I)
- Killdeer (S)
- Black-necked Stilt (I)
- American Avocet (S)
- Upland Sandpiper (I)
- Long-billed Curlew (I)
- Spotted Sandpiper (S)
- Solitary Sandpiper (I)
- Greater Yellowlegs (M)
- Lesser Yellowlegs (M)
- Willet (M)
- Pectoral Sandpiper (I)
- Semipalmated Sandpiper (M)
- Western Sandpiper (M)
- Least Sandpiper (M)
- Baird's Sandpiper (M)
- Short-billed Dowitcher (I)
- Long-billed Dowitcher (M)
- Wilson's Snipe (I)
- Wilson's Phalarope (M)
- Red-necked Phalarope (M)

Gulls and Terns

- Sabine's Gull (I)
- Bonaparte's Gull (I)
- Franklin's Gull (M)
- Ring-billed Gull (Y)
- California Gull (M)
- Herring Gull (W)
- Glaucous Gull (I)
- Thayer's Gull (I)

- Iceland Gull (I)
- Lesser Black-backed Gull (I)
- Black Tern (I)
- Caspian Tern (S)
- Common Tern (I)
- Forster's Tern (M)

Loons

- Common Loon (M)

Cormorants

- Neotropic Cormorant (I)
- Double-crested Cormorant (S)

Pelicans

- American White Pelican (S)
- Brown Pelican (M)

Bitterns and Herons

- Great Blue Heron (Y)
- Great Egret (S)
- Snowy Egret (S)
- Cattle Egret (I)
- American Bittern (S)
- Green Heron (I)
- Black-crowned Night-Heron (S)

Ibises

- White-faced Ibis (M)

New World Vultures

- Turkey Vulture (S)

Osprey

- Osprey (S)

Diurnal Raptors

- Bald Eagle (Y)
- Northern Harrier (I)
- Sharp-shinned Hawk (M)
- Cooper's Hawk (Y)
- Swainson's Hawk (S)
- Red-tailed Hawk (Y)
- Ferruginous Hawk (I)
- Rough-legged Hawk (W)
- Golden Eagle (I)

Owls

- Barn Owl (I)
- Great Horned Owl (Y)
- Short-eared Owl (W, I)

Kingfishers

- Belted Kingfisher (Y)

Woodpeckers

- Red-headed Woodpecker (I)
- Downy Woodpecker (Y)
- Hairy Woodpecker (Y)
- Northern Flicker (Y)

Falcons

- American Kestrel (Y)
- Merlin (M)
- Peregrine Falcon (I)
- Prairie Falcon (I)

Tyrant Flycatchers

- Western Wood-Pewee (S)
- Alder Flycatcher (I)
- Least Flycatcher (I)
- Say's Phoebe (S)
- Western Kingbird (S)
- Eastern Kingbird (S)

Shrikes and Vireos

- Loggerhead Shrike (I)
- Northern Shrike (W)
- Warbling Vireo (S)

Jays, Crows, and Allies

- Blue Jay (Y)
- Black-billed Magpie (Y)
- American Crow (Y)
- Common Raven (Y)

Larks

- Horned Lark (S)

Swallows

- Northern Rough-winged Swallow (S)
- Tree Swallow (S)
- Violet-green Swallow (M)
- Bank Swallow (S)
- Barn Swallow (S)
- Cliff Swallow (S)

Chickadees

- Black-capped Chickadee (Y)
- Mountain Chickadee (I)