

Waxwings

- Cedar Waxwing (M)

Finches, Pipits, and Old World Sparrows

- Sprague's Pipit (I)
- Purple Finch (I)
- Cassin's Finch (I)
- House Finch (Y)
- Red Crossbill (I)
- White-winged Crossbill (I)
- Pine Siskin (W, M)
- Lesser Goldfinch (I)
- American Goldfinch (Y)
- Evening Grosbeak (I)
- American Pipit (M)
- House Sparrow (Y)

Longspurs

- McCown's Longspur (W)
- Lapland Longspur (W, M)
- Chestnut-collared Longspur (M)

Sparrows and Allies

- Green-tailed Towhee (I)
- Spotted Towhee (Y)
- Eastern Towhee (I)
- Rufous-crowned Sparrow (I)
- Canyon Towhee (Y)
- Cassin's Sparrow (S, M)
- American Tree Sparrow (W, M)
- Chipping Sparrow (S, M)
- Clay-colored Sparrow (M)
- Brewer's Sparrow (S, M)
- Field Sparrow (M)
- Vesper Sparrow (S, M)
- Lark Sparrow (S, M)
- Sage Sparrow (I)
- Black-throated Sparrow (I)
- Lark Bunting (S, M)
- Savannah Sparrow (S, M)
- Grasshopper Sparrow (S, M)
- Baird's Sparrow (I)
- LeConte's Sparrow (W, I)
- Fox Sparrow (I)

- Song Sparrow (W, M)
- Lincoln's Sparrow (W, M)
- Swamp Sparrow (W)
- White-throated Sparrow (Y)
- Harris's Sparrow (W, M)
- White-crowned Sparrow (W, M)
- Dark-eyed Junco (W, M)

Icterids

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

Wood-Warblers

- Ovenbird (I)
- Northern Waterthrush (I)
- Blue-winged Warbler (I)
- Golden-winged Warbler (I)
- Black-and-White Warbler (M, I)
- Prothonotary Warbler (I)
- Tennessee Warbler (I)
- Orange-crowned Warbler (M, I)
- Nashville Warbler (I)
- Virginia's Warbler (I)
- Connecticut Warbler (I)
- Mourning Warbler (I)
- McGillivray's Warbler (I)
- Kentucky Warbler (I)
- Common Yellowthroat (S, M)
- Hooded Warbler (I)
- American Redstart (I)

- Northern Parula (M, I)
- Magnolia Warbler (I)
- Bay-breasted Warbler (I)
- Blackburnian Warbler (I)
- Yellow Warbler (S)
- Chestnut-sided Warbler (I)
- Blackpoll Warbler (I)
- Black-throated Blue Warbler (I)
- Palm Warbler (I)
- Pine Warbler (I)
- Yellow-rumped Warbler (M)
- Yellow-throated Warbler (I)
- Prairie Warbler (I)
- Black-throated Gray Warbler (I)
- Townsend's Warbler (M)
- Hermit Warbler (I)
- American Redstart (I)
- Wilson's Warbler (S, M)
- Painted Redstart (I)

Tanagers and Allies

- Summer Tanager (I)
- Scarlet Tanager (I)
- Western Tanager (I)
- Northern Cardinal (I)
- Rose-breasted Grosbeak (M, I)
- Black-headed Grosbeak (S, I)
- Blue Grosbeak (S, M)
- Lazuli Bunting (M)
- Indigo Bunting (I)
- Painted Bunting (I)
- Dickcissel (S, 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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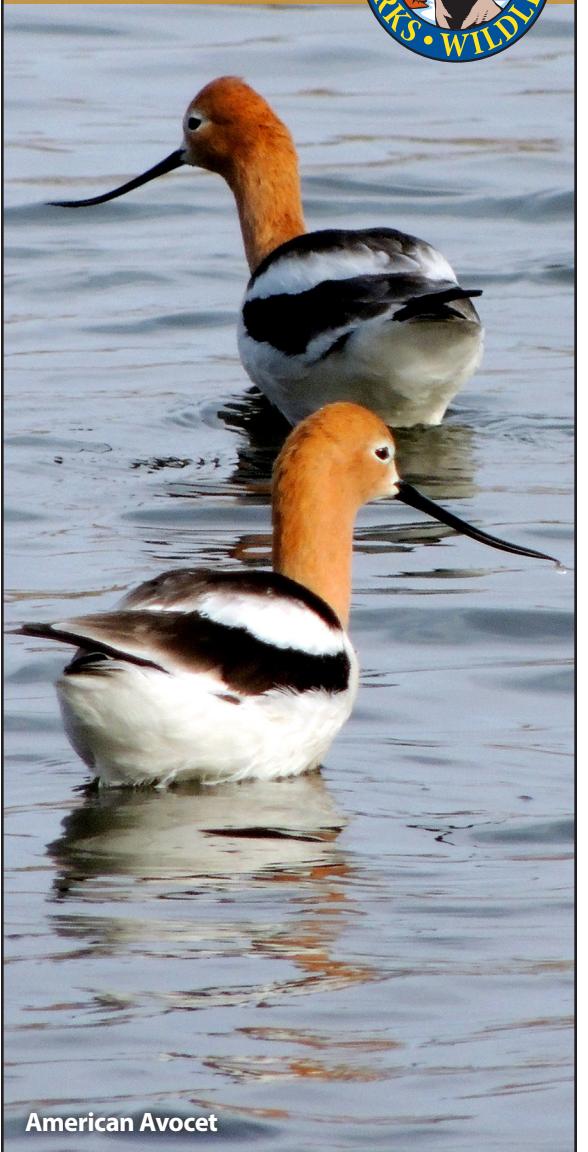
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Birds at John Martin Reservoir State Park



BIRD SPECIES CHECKLIST



American Avocet

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Seasonal Visibility Key

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

Ducks, Geese, and Swans Landfowl

- Greater White-fronted Goose (W, M)
- Snow Goose (W, M)
- Ross's Goose (W, M)
- Canada Goose (Y)
- Cackling Goose (W, M)
- Trumpeter Swan (I)
- Tundra Swan (W)
- Wood Duck (S, M)
- Gadwall (Y)
- American Wigeon (W, M)
- American Black Duck (I)
- Mallard (Y)
- Mexican Duck (M)
- Blue-winged Teal (S, M)
- Cinnamon Teal (S, M)
- Northern Shoveler (Y)
- Northern Pintail (Y)
- Green-winged Teal (Y)
- Canvasback (W, M)
- Redhead (Y)
- Ring-necked Duck (W, M)
- Greater Scaup (W, M)
- Lesser Scaup (W, M)
- Surf Scoter (I)
- White-winged Scoter (W)
- Black Scoter (I)
- Long-tailed Duck (W, M)
- Bufflehead (W, M)
- Common Goldeneye (W, M)
- Barrow's Goldeneye (W)
- Hooded Merganser (W, M)
- Common Merganser (W, M)
- Red-breasted Merganser (W, M)
- Ruddy Duck (Y)
- Ring-necked Pheasant (Y)
- Lesser Prairie-Chicken (I)
- Wild Turkey (Y)
- Northern Bobwhite (M, I)
- Scaled Quail (Y)

Grebes

- Pied-billed Grebe (Y)
- Horned Grebe (W, M)
- Red-necked Grebe (I)
- Eared Grebe (S, M)
- Western Grebe (Y)
- Clark's Grebe (S, M)

Pigeons, Doves and Cuckoos

- Rock Pigeon (Y)
- Eurasian Collared-Dove (Y)
- White-winged Dove (S, M)
- Mourning Dove (Y)
- Inca Dove (I)
- Black-billed Cuckoo (I)
- Yellow-billed Cuckoo (S)
- Greater Roadrunner (Y)

Goatsuckers

- Lesser Nighthawk (I)
- Common Nighthawk (S)
- Common Poorwill (I)

Swifts

- Chimney Swift (S)
- White-throated Swift (I)

Hummingbirds

- Black-chinned Hummingbird (I)
- Calliope Hummingbird (I)

- Broad-tailed Hummingbird (M, I)
- Rufous Hummingbird (I)

Rails, Coots, and Cranes

- Black Rail (I)
- King Rail (I)
- Virginia Rail (Y)
- Sora (W, M)
- Common Moorhen
- American Coot (Y)
- Sandhill Crane (M)
- Buff-breasted Sandpiper (M)
- Short-billed Dowitcher (S)
- Long-billed Dowitcher (S, M)
- Wilson's Snipe (S, M)
- Wilson's Phalarope (S, M)
- Red-necked Phalarope (M)
- Red Phalarope (I)

Shorebirds

- Black-bellied Plover (I)
- American Golden-Plover (M)
- Snowy Plover (S, M)
- Semipalmated Plover (S, M)
- Piping Plover (S, M)
- Killdeer (Y)
- Mountain Plover (I)
- Black-necked Stilt (S, M)
- American Avocet (S, M)
- Greater Yellowlegs (Y)
- Lesser Yellowlegs (S, M)
- Solitary Sandpiper (M)
- Willet (S, M)
- Spotted Sandpiper (S, M)
- Upland Sandpiper (S)
- Whimbrel (M)
- Long-billed Curlew (S, M)
- Hudsonian Godwit (I)
- Marbled Godwit (S, M)
- Ruddy Turnstone (M)
- Red Knot (S)
- Sanderling (S, M)
- Semipalmated Sandpiper (S, M)
- Western Sandpiper (S, M)
- Least Sandpiper (S, M)
- White-rumped Sandpiper (M)

- Black-bellied Plover (I)
- American Golden-Plover (M)
- Snowy Plover (S, M)
- Semipalmated Plover (S, M)
- Piping Plover (S, M)
- Killdeer (Y)
- Mountain Plover (I)
- Black-necked Stilt (S, M)
- American Avocet (S, M)
- Greater Yellowlegs (Y)
- Lesser Yellowlegs (S, M)
- Solitary Sandpiper (M)
- Willet (S, M)
- Spotted Sandpiper (S, M)
- Upland Sandpiper (S)
- Whimbrel (M)
- Long-billed Curlew (S, M)
- Hudsonian Godwit (I)
- Marbled Godwit (S, M)
- Ruddy Turnstone (M)
- Red Knot (S)
- Sanderling (S, M)
- Semipalmated Sandpiper (S, M)
- Western Sandpiper (S, M)
- Least Sandpiper (S, M)
- White-rumped Sandpiper (M)

- Black-billed Cuckoo (I)
- Yellow-billed Cuckoo (S)
- Greater Roadrunner (Y)

- Baird's Sandpiper (S, M)
- Pectoral Sandpiper (S, M)
- Sharp-tailed Sandpiper (I)
- Dunlin (I)
- Stilt Sandpiper (S, M)

Jaegers

- Parasitic Jaeger (I)
- Long-tailed Jaeger (I)

Gulls and Terns

- Laughing Gull (I)
- Franklin's Gull (Y)
- Bonaparte's Gull (W, M)
- Mew Gull (I)
- Ring-billed Gull (Y)
- California Gull (Y)
- Herring Gull (W, M)
- Thayer's Gull (I)
- Iceland Gull (W, M)
- Lesser Black-backed Gull (Y)
- Glaucous-winged Gull (W)
- Glaucous Gull (W, M)
- Great Black-backed Gull (W)
- Sabine's Gull (M)
- Black-legged Kittiwake (I)
- Caspian Tern (S, M)
- Common Tern (M)
- Arctic Tern (I)
- Forster's Tern (S, M)
- Least Tern (S)
- Black Tern (S, M)

Loons

- Red-throated Loon (S, M)
- Pacific Loon (W, M)
- Common Loon (Y)

Cormorants

- Neotropic Cormorant (S, M)
- Double-crested Cormorant (Y)

Pelicans

- American White Pelican (Y)
- Brown Pelican (I)

Bitterns and Herons

- American Bittern (M, I)
- Least Bittern (I)
- Great Blue Heron (Y)
- Great Egret (S, M)
- Snowy Egret (S, M)
- Little Blue Heron (I)
- Tricolored Heron (I)
- Reddish Egret (I)
- Cattle Egret (S, M)
- Green Heron (S, I)
- Black-crowned Night Heron (S, M)
- Yellow-crowned Night Heron (M)

Ibises

- White Ibis (I)
- Glossy Ibis (I)
- White-faced Ibis (S, M)

New World Vultures

- Turkey Vulture (S, M)
- Black Vulture (I)

Osprey

- Osprey (S, M)

Diurnal Raptors

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

Owls

- Barn Owl (W, M)
- Western Screech-Owl (I)

- Eastern Screech-Owl (I)
- Great Horned Owl (Y)
- Snowy Owl (I)
- Burrowing Owl (S, M)
- Long-eared Owl (I)
- Short-eared Owl (I)
- Northern Saw-whet Owl (I)

Kingfishers

- Belted Kingfisher (Y)

Woodpeckers

- Lewis's Woodpecker (I)
- Red-headed Woodpecker (S, M)
- Red-bellied Woodpecker (Y, I)
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (I)
- Red-naped Sapsucker (I)
- Ladder-backed Woodpecker (I)
- Downy Woodpecker (Y)
- Hairy Woodpecker (Y)
- Northern Flicker (Y)

Falcons

- American Kestrel (Y)
- Merlin (W, M)
- Peregrine Falcon (S, M)
- Prairie Falcon (Y)

Tyrant Flycatchers

- Olive-sided Flycatcher (S, I)
- Western Wood-Pewee (S)
- Eastern Wood-Pewee (I)
- Willow Flycatcher (M, I)
- Least Flycatcher (M, I)
- Hammond's Flycatcher (I)
- Gray Flycatcher (I)
- Dusky Flycatcher (I)
- Cordilleran Flycatcher (I)
- Black Phoebe (I)
- Eastern Phoebe (S, M)
- Say's Phoebe (S, M)
- Vermillion Flycatcher (I)
- Ash-throated Flycatcher (S, M)

- Great Crested Flycatcher (I)
- Cassin's Kingbird (S, M)
- Western Kingbird (S, M)
- Eastern Kingbird (S)
- Scissor-tailed Flycatcher (I)
- Sulfur-bellied Flycatcher (I)

Shrikes and Vireos

- Loggerhead Shrike (Y)
- Northern Shrike (W, M)
- White-eyed Vireo (I)
- Bell's Vireo (I)
- Yellow-throated Vireo (I)
- Plumbeous Vireo (I)
- Warbling Vireo (S)
- Cassin's Vireo (I)
- Blue-headed Vireo (I)
- Eastern Warbling Vireo (I)
- Philadelphia Vireo (I)
- Red-eyed Vireo (I)

Jays, Crows, and Allies

- Steller's Jay (I)
- Blue Jay (Y)
- Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay (W, M)
- Pinyon Jay (I)
- Clark's Nutcracker (I)
- Black-billed Magpie (Y)
- American Crow (Y)
- Chihuahuan Raven (Y)
- Common Raven (Y)

Larks

- Horned Lark (Y)

Swallows

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

Chickadees

- Black-capped Chickadee (I)
- Mountain Chickadee (I)
- Juniper Titmouse (I)
- Bushtit (M)

Nuthatches and Creepers

- Red-breasted Nuthatch (S, M)
- White-breasted Nuthatch (W, M)
- Brown Creeper (I)

Wrens

- Rock Wren (Y)
- Canyon Wren (M)
- Carolina Wren (I)
- Bewick's Wren (W, M)
- House Wren (S, M)
- Winter Wren (M)
- Sedge Wren (I)
- Marsh Wren (Y)

Old World Warblers, Thrushes, and Allies

- Golden-crowned Kinglet (I)
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet (W, M)
- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (M)
- Eastern Bluebird (Y)
- Mountain Bluebird (W, M)
- Townsend's Solitaire (I)
- Veery (I)
- Gray-cheeked Thrush (I)
- Swainson's Thrush (M)
- Hermit Thrush (M, I)
- Wood Thrush (I)
- Varied Thrush (I)
- American Robin (Y)

Starlings and Mimids

- European Starling (Y)
- Gray Catbird (M)
- Northern Mockingbird (S, M)
- Sage Thrasher (S, M)
- Brown Thrasher (S)
- Curve-billed Thrasher (S, M)