

- Mountain Bluebird (M)
- Townsend's Solitaire (Y)
- Veery (S)
- Swainson's Thrush (M, S)
- Hermit Thrush (M, S)
- American Robin (Y)

Starlings and Mimids

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

Waxwings

- Bohemian Waxwing (W)
- Cedar Waxwing (S)

Finches, Pipits, and Old World Sparrows

- Pine Grosbeak (Y)
- Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch (M, W)
- Black Rosy Finch (M, W)
- Brown-capped Rosy-Finch (Y)
- House Finch (Y)
- Purple Finch (W)
- Cassin's Finch (Y)
- Red Crossbill (Y)
- White-winged Crossbill (Y)
- Pine Siskin (Y)
- Lesser Goldfinch (M, S)
- American Goldfinch (Y)
- Evening Grosbeak (Y)
- American Pipit (M)
- House Sparrow (Y)

Longspurs

- McCown's Longspur (M)

Sparrows and Allies

- Green-tailed Towhee (S)
- Spotted Towhee (S)
- American Tree Sparrow (W)
- Chipping Sparrow (S)
- Clay-colored Sparrow (M)
- Brewer's Sparrow (S, M)
- Vesper Sparrow (S)
- Lark Sparrow (S)
- Lark Bunting (S, M)
- Savannah Sparrow (S)

- Fox Sparrow (M)
- Song Sparrow (S)
- Lincoln's Sparrow (S, M)
- White-throated Sparrow (M)
- White-crowned Sparrow (S, M)
- Dark-eyed Junco (Y)

Icterids

- Yellow-headed Blackbird (S)
- Western Meadowlark (S)
- Bullock's Oriole (S)
- Red-winged Blackbird (S)
- Brown-headed Cowbird (S)
- Brewer's Blackbird (S)
- Common Grackle (S)
- Great-tailed Grackle (S)

Wood-Warblers

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

Tanagers and Allies

- Western Tanager (S)
- Black-headed Grosbeak (S)
- Lazuli Bunting (S)

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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BIRD SPECIES CHECKLIST




Boreal 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 (M)
- Canada Goose (Y)
- Wood Duck (S, M)
- Gadwall (S, M)
- American Wigeon (S, M, W)
- Mallard (S, M)
- Blue-winged Teal (S, M)
- Cinnamon Teal (S, M)
- Northern Shoveler (S, M)
- Northern Pintail (S, M, W)
- Green-winged Teal (S, M, W)
- Canvasback (M)
- Ring-necked Duck (M, W)
- Greater Scaup (M)
- Lesser Scaup (S, M, W)
- Bufflehead (M, W)
- Common Goldeneye (M, W)
- Hooded Merganser (M, W)
- Common Merganser (S, M, W)
- Ruddy Duck (S, M)

Landfowl

- Greater Sage-Grouse (Y)
- Southern White-tailed Ptarmigan (Y)
- Dusky Grouse (Y)

Grebes

- Pied-billed Grebe (S, M)
- Eared Grebe (I)
- Western Grebe (S, M)

Pigeons, Doves and Cuckoos

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

Goatsuckers

- Common Nighthawk (S)

Swifts

- White-throated Swift (S)

Hummingbirds

- Black-chinned Hummingbird (S)
- Broad-tailed Hummingbird (S)
- Rufous Hummingbird (M)
- Calliope Hummingbird (M)

Rails, Coots, and Cranes

- Virginia Rail (S)
- Sora (S)
- American Coot (S)
- Sandhill Crane (S, M)

Shorebirds

- American Avocet (M, S)
- Killdeer (S)
- Long-billed Curlew (M)
- Wilson's Snipe (S)
- Spotted Sandpiper (S)
- Wilson's Phalarope (M, S)

Gulls and Terns

- Ring-billed Gull (S, M)
- California Gull (S, M)
- Black Tern (M)

Cormorants

- Double-crested Cormorant (M)

Pelicans

- American White Pelican (M)

Bitterns and Herons

- Great Blue Heron (S)
- Snowy Egret (M)
- Black-crowned Night-Heron (S, M)

Ibises

- White-faced Ibis (S, M)

New World Vultures

- Turkey Vulture (S)

Osprey

- Osprey (S)

Diurnal Raptors

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

Owls

- Western Screech-Owl (M)
- Great Horned Owl (Y)
- Northern Pygmy-Owl (Y)
- Long-eared Owl (Y)
- Boreal Owl (Y)
- Northern Saw-whet Owl (Y)

Kingfishers

- Belted Kingfisher (Y)

Woodpeckers

- Lewis's Woodpecker (S)
- Williamson's Sapsucker (S)
- Red-naped Sapsucker (S)
- Downy Woodpecker (Y)
- Hairy Woodpecker (Y)
- American Three-toed Woodpecker (Y)
- Northern Flicker (Y)

Falcons

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

Tyrant Flycatchers

- Olive-sided Flycatcher (S)
- Western Wood-Pewee (S)
- Willow Flycatcher (S)
- Hammond's Flycatcher (S)
- Dusky Flycatcher (S)
- Cordilleran Flycatcher (S)
- Ash-throated Flycatcher (S)
- Say's Phoebe (S, M)
- Western Kingbird (S, M)
- Eastern Kingbird (S, M)

Shrikes and Vireos

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

Jays, Crows, and Allies

- Canada Jay (S, M)
- Gray Jay (Y)
- Pinyon Jay (Y)
- Steller's Jay (Y)
- Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay (Y)
- Black-billed Magpie (Y)
- Clark's Nutcracker (Y)
- American Crow (Y)
- Common Raven (Y)

Larks

- Horned Lark (S, M)

Swallows

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

Chickadees

- Black-capped Chickadee (Y)
- Mountain Chickadee (Y)
- Juniper Titmouse (M)

Nuthatches and Creepers

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

Wrens

- Rock Wren (S)
- Canyon Wren (Y)
- House Wren (S)

Old World Warblers, Thrushes, and Allies

- American Dipper (Y)
- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (S)
- Golden-crowned Kinglet (M, W)
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet (S, M)
- Western Bluebird (S)