- \Box Red Crossbill (Y)
- \Box House Sparrow (Y) \Box Evening Grosbeak (Y)

Sparrows and Allies

- \Box Dark-eved Junco (Y)
- \Box Lincoln's Sparrow (S)
- \Box Song Sparrow (S)
- □ Savannah Sparrow (S)
- Green-tailed Towhee (S)
- □ Spotted Towhee (S)
- \Box Snow Bunting (W)
- □ Vesper Sparrow (S)
- □ American Tree Sparrow (W)
- \Box Brewer's Sparrow (S)
- □ Clay-colored Sparrow (M, W)
- \Box Chipping Sparrow (S)
- \Box White-crowned Sparrow (M, S)
- \Box Fox Sparrow (M, S)

Icterids

- □ Red-winged Blackbird (Y) □ Brewer's Blackbird (Y)
- □ Bullock's Oriole (S, M)
- □ Brown-headed Cowbird (S)
- \Box Common Grackle (S)
- □ Western Meadowlark (Y)
- □ Yellow-headed Blackbird (S)
- □ Yellow-breasted Chat (S)

Wood-Warblers

- □ Yellow-rumped Warbler (S, M)
- □ Yellow Warbler (S)
- □ Townsend's Warbler (M)
- \Box Common Yellowthroat (S)
- □ Orange-crowned Warbler (S)
- \Box Wilson's Warbler (M)
- □ Black-throated Grav Warbler (I)
- \Box Virginia's Warbler (S)
- □ MacGillivray's Warbler (M)

Tanagers and Allies

- □ Lazuli Bunting (S)
- \Box Blue Grosbeak (S)
- □ Black-headed Grosbeak (S)
- \Box Western Tanager (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.



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- 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



Seasonal Visibility Key

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

Ducks, Geese, and Swans

- □ American Wigeon (W)
- □ Green-winged Teal (S, M)
- \square Mallard (Y)
- \Box Gadwall (Y)
- \Box Ring-necked Duck (S, M)
- □ Canada Goose (S, M)
- □ Common Merganser (S, M)

Landfowl

- \Box Ring-necked Pheasant (Y)
- \Box Wild Turkey (Y)
- \Box Dusky Grouse (Y)

Pigeons, Doves and Cuckoos

- \square Rock Pigeon (Y)
- □ Band-tailed Pigeon (S)
- □ Eurasian Collared-Dove (Y)
- \Box Mourning Dove (Y)
- □ White-winged Dove (I)

Goatsuckers

□ Common Nighthawk (S) □ Common Poorwill (S)

Swifts

 \Box White-throated Swift (S)

Hummingbirds

□ Black-chinned Hummingbird (S) □ Broad-tailed Hummingbird (S)

Rails, Coots, and Cranes

- $\Box \text{ Greater Sandhill Crane (M)} \\ \Box \text{ American Coot (Y)}$
- □ Virginia Rail (S)
- Shorebirds
- □ Spotted Sandpiper (S)
- \square Killdeer (S)
- □ Wilson's Snipe (Y)
- \Box Sora (S)

Cormorants

□ Double-crested Cormorant (M)

Bitterns and Herons

- \Box Great Blue Heron (Y)
- \Box Cattle Egret (M)
- Green Heron (I)
- □ Little Blue Heron (I)
- \Box Snowy Egret (S, M)
- American Bittern
- \square Black-crowned Night-heron (S)

New World Vultures

□ Turkey Vulture (S)

Osprey

\Box Osprey (S, M)

Diurnal Raptors

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

Owls

- □ Great Horned Owl (Y) □ Barn Owl (Y) □ Long Eared Owl (Y) □ Flammulated Owl (S)
- \Box Western Screech Owl (Y)
- Northern Pygmy Owl (Y)Northern Saw-whet Owl (Y)

Kingfishers

 \Box Belted Kingfisher (Y)

Woodpeckers

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

Falcons

- □ Merlin (W)
 □ Prairie Falcon (Y)
 □ Peregrine Falcon (Y)
- □ American Kestrel (Y)

Tyrant Flycatchers

- Olive-sided Flycatcher (S)
 Western-wood Pewee (S)
 Hammond's Flycatcher (S)
 Least Flycatcher (M)
 Dusky Flycatcher (S)
 Cordilleran Flycatcher (S)
 Willow Flycatcher (S)
 Gray Flycatcher (I, M)
- \Box Say's Phoebe (S)
- \Box Western Kingbird (S)

Shrikes and Vireos

- ☐ Yellow-throated Vireo (I)
- □ Warbling Vireo (S)
- \Box Plumbeous Vireo (S)
- □ Cassin's Vireo (I)

Jays, Crows, and Allies

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

Swallows

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

Chickadees

- □ Juniper Titmouse (Y)
- □ Black-capped Chickadee (Y)
- □ Mountain Chickadee (Y)
- \Box Bushtit (Y)

Nuthatches and Creepers

- □ Brown Creeper (Y)□ White-breasted Nuthatch (Y)
- \Box Red-breasted Nuthatch (Y)
- \Box Pygmy Nuthatch (Y)

Wrens

- □ Rock Wren (S) □ House Wren (S)
- \Box Canyon Wren (Y)

Old World Warblers, Thrushes, and Allies

Townsend's Solitaire (Y)
 Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (S)
 Ruby-crowned Kinglet (M, S)
 Mountain Bluebird (Y)
 Western Bluebird (Y)
 American Robin (Y)
 American Dipper (Y)
 Golden-crowned Kinglet (Y, W)
 Swainson's Thrush (S)
 Hermit Thrush (S)

Starlings and Mimids

□ Gray Catbird (S)
 □ Northern Mockingbird (S)
 □ Sage Thrasher (S)
 □ European Starling (S)

Waxwings

 \Box Cedar Waxwing (Y)

Finches, Pipits, and Old World Sparrows

- \Box House Finch (Y)
- □ Pine Siskin (Y)□ Lesser Goldfinch (S)
- \Box American Goldfinch (W)
- \Box Cassin's Finch (Y)