

# BIRDS OF

This seasonal checklist was created primarily using data collected on weekly and additional walks conducted between May 25, 2016, and May 25, 2019, with the exception of three weeks in August each year. E-bird records beginning in 1991 were also used. Walks took place early in the morning and lasted between 3 and 5 hours. Participant numbers ranged between 3 and 12 and averaged around 6. I would like to thank the many people, too numerous to mention, who generously gave their time to make this list possible.

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# CHECKLIST

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| <b>WRENS</b>                              |   |   |   |   |
| House Wren                                | a | a |   |   |
| Winter Wren                               |   |   | o | o |
| Carolina Wren                             | c | c | c | c |
| <b>KINGLETS AND GNATCATCHERS</b>          |   |   |   |   |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher                     | u | u | o |   |
| Golden-crowned Kinglet                    | u |   | u | o |
| Ruby-crowned Kinglet                      | u |   | u |   |
| <b>THRUSHES</b>                           |   |   |   |   |
| Eastern Bluebird                          | a |   | c | c |
| Veery                                     | c | c |   |   |
| Swainson's Thrush                         | o |   | o |   |
| Hermit Thrush                             | u |   | u |   |
| Wood Thrush                               | c | c |   |   |
| American Robin                            | c | c | c |   |
| <b>MOCKINGBIRDS, THRASHERS AND ALLIES</b> |   |   |   |   |
| Gray Catbird                              | c | a | c |   |
| Brown Thrasher                            | c | c | c |   |
| Northern Mockingbird                      | u | c | o | o |
| <b>STARLINGS</b>                          |   |   |   |   |
| European Starling                         | u | u | u | u |
| <b>PIPITS</b>                             |   |   |   |   |
| American Pipit                            | r |   | r |   |
| <b>WAXWINGS</b>                           |   |   |   |   |
| Cedar Waxwing                             | u | c | u | u |
| <b>SHRIKES</b>                            |   |   |   |   |
| Northern Shrike                           |   |   | r |   |
| <b>WOOD WARBLERS</b>                      |   |   |   |   |
| Ovenbird                                  | c | c |   |   |
| Louisiana Waterthrush                     |   | u | u |   |
| Northern Waterthrush                      |   | u |   |   |
| Blue-winged Warbler                       | u | c | c |   |
| Black-and-white Warbler                   | c | u | u | u |
| Common Yellowthroat                       | u | c | c | u |
| Hooded Warbler                            | c | r |   |   |
| American Redstart                         |   | u | u | u |
| Northern Parula                           |   | u |   |   |
| Magnolia Warbler                          |   | u |   | u |

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| Blackburnian Warbler                   | r |   |   |   |
| Yellow Warbler                         | c | c |   |   |
| Chestnut-sided Warbler                 | u | u | u |   |
| Blackpoll Warbler                      | o | o |   |   |
| Black-throated Blue Warbler            | u |   |   |   |
| Palm Warbler                           | c |   | c |   |
| Pine Warbler                           | o | o | o |   |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler                  | c |   | c | u |
| Prairie Warbler                        | c |   |   |   |
| Black-throated Green Warbler           | o | o |   |   |
| Yellow-breasted Chat                   |   |   | r |   |
| <b>SPARROWS AND ALLIES</b>             |   |   |   |   |
| Grasshopper Sparrow                    | r | r |   |   |
| American Tree Sparrow                  |   |   |   | u |
| Chipping Sparrow                       | c | c | u |   |
| Field Sparrow                          | c | c | c | u |
| Fox Sparrow                            | u |   | u |   |
| Dark-eyed Junco                        | c |   | c | c |
| White-crowned Sparrow                  |   |   |   | u |
| White-throated Sparrow                 | c |   | c | c |
| Savannah Sparrow                       |   | o | o |   |
| Song Sparrow                           | a | a | a | a |
| Lincoln's Sparrow                      | r |   | r |   |
| Swamp Sparrow                          | u | r | u |   |
| Eastern Towhee                         | c | c | u | r |
| <b>TANAGERS</b>                        |   |   |   |   |
| Scarlet Tanager                        | c | c |   |   |
| <b>CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS AND ALLIES</b> |   |   |   |   |
| Northern Cardinal                      | a | a | a | a |
| Rose-breasted Grosbeak                 | c | c |   |   |
| Blue Grosbeak                          |   |   | r |   |
| Indigo Bunting                         | c | c |   |   |
| <b>BLACKBIRDS AND ALLIES</b>           |   |   |   |   |
| Bobolink                               | r | r |   |   |
| Eastern Meadowlark                     | r |   | r |   |
| Orchard Oriole                         | c | c |   |   |
| Baltimore Oriole                       | c | c |   |   |
| Red-winged Blackbird                   | c | c | c | u |

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| Rusty Blackbird           |   |   | r |   |
| Brown-headed Cowbird      | c | u |   |   |
| Common Grackle            | c | u | u | u |
| <b>FINCHES AND ALLIES</b> |   |   |   |   |
| House Finch               | c | c | c | c |
| Purple Finch              | u |   | u |   |
| White-winged Crossbill    |   |   |   | r |
| Pine Siskin               |   |   | o | o |
| American Goldfinch        | c | c | c | u |
| Evening Grosbeak          |   |   |   | r |
| <b>OLD WORLD SPARROWS</b> |   |   |   |   |
| House Sparrow             | o | o | o | o |

## Seasonal Bird Checklist

Fairview Farm is located in northern Somerset county, New Jersey and is the home of Raritan Headwaters Association. Its 170 acres are made up of a variety of habitats which attract many species of birds throughout the year. Five miles of well-maintained trails lead through hardwood and softwood forests, warm-season grass meadows, a pond, wetlands, and a butterfly garden. To date, 160 species of birds have been seen here. Some stop on their northern spring migration, some stay and breed here, some northern birds spend their winter and some stay all year around. Fairview Farm is open to the public from dawn to dusk.

Visit [www.raritanheadwaters.org](http://www.raritanheadwaters.org) for scheduled bird walks or come by yourself or with a friend and enjoy this unique and beautiful place.

### Key to Checklist

#### Season:

S = Spring (March - May)

s = Summer (June - August)

f = Fall (September - November)

w = Winter (December - February)

#### Relative Abundance:

a = Abundant - very numerous, should not miss

c = Common - frequently heard or seen in suitable habitat

u = Uncommon - present, but not certain to be seen

o = Occasional - seen only a few times during the season

r = Rare - may be present, but not every year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

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| <b>LOONS</b>                              |   |   |   |   |
| Common Loon                               | o |   | o |   |
| <b>SWANS, GEESE AND DUCKS</b>             |   |   |   |   |
| Snow Goose                                |   |   | r | r |
| Canada Goose                              | c | c | c | c |
| Wood Duck                                 | u |   | o |   |
| Green-winged Teal                         | r |   |   |   |
| Mallard                                   | u |   | o | o |
| Ring-necked Duck                          | r |   |   |   |
| Bufflehead                                | r |   |   |   |
| Hooded Merganser                          | r |   |   |   |
| Common Merganser                          | o |   | o | o |
| <b>PARTRIDGES, GROUSE, TURKEYS, QUAIL</b> |   |   |   |   |
| Ring-necked Pheasant                      | o | o | o | o |
| Ruffed Grouse                             | r | r | r | r |
| Wild Turkey                               | u |   | u | u |
| <b>CORMORANTS</b>                         |   |   |   |   |
| Double-crested Cormorant                  |   |   | o | o |
| <b>BITTERNS AND HERONS</b>                |   |   |   |   |
| Yellow-crowned Night Heron                | r |   |   |   |
| American Bittern                          | r |   |   |   |
| Great Blue Heron                          | u | u | u |   |
| Great Egret                               | r |   |   |   |
| Green Heron                               | c | c |   |   |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron                 |   |   | r |   |
| <b>VULTURES</b>                           |   |   |   |   |
| Black Vulture                             | c | c | c | c |
| Turkey Vulture                            | c | c | c | c |
| <b>KITES, EAGLES, HAWKS AND ALLIES</b>    |   |   |   |   |
| Osprey                                    | o |   | r |   |
| Northern Harrier                          | o |   | o |   |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk                        | u |   | u | u |
| Cooper's Hawk                             | u | u | u | u |
| Bald Eagle                                | o |   | o | o |
| Red-shouldered Hawk                       | c | c | c | c |
| Broad-winged Hawk                         | o |   | o |   |
| Red-tailed Hawk                           | c | c | c | c |
| Rough-legged Hawk                         |   |   |   | r |

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| <b>PLOVERS</b>                           |   |   |   |   |
| Killdeer                                 |   |   |   | r |
| <b>SANDPIPERS, PHALAROPES AND ALLIES</b> |   |   |   |   |
| American Woodcock                        | u | o | o | o |
| Wilson's Snipe                           | r |   | r |   |
| Solitary Sandpiper                       | o |   |   |   |
| Spotted Sandpiper                        | r |   |   |   |
| <b>SKUAS, GULLS, TERNS AND SKIMMERS</b>  |   |   |   |   |
| Ring-billed Gull                         | o |   | o | o |
| Herring Gull                             | o |   |   |   |
| <b>PIGEONS AND DOVES</b>                 |   |   |   |   |
| Rock Pigeon                              | o | o | o |   |
| Mourning Dove                            | c | c | c | c |
| <b>CUCKOOS</b>                           |   |   |   |   |
| Yellow-billed Cuckoo                     |   |   | o |   |
| Black-billed Cuckoo                      |   |   | o |   |
| <b>OWLS</b>                              |   |   |   |   |
| Eastern Screech Owl                      | u | u | u | u |
| Great Horned Owl                         | u | u | u | u |
| Barred Owl                               | r | r | r | r |
| Long-eared Owl                           |   |   |   | o |
| Northern Saw-whet Owl                    |   |   |   | o |
| <b>GOATSUCKERS</b>                       |   |   |   |   |
| Common Nighthawk                         |   |   |   | r |
| Whip-poor-will                           | r |   |   |   |
| <b>SWIFTS</b>                            |   |   |   |   |
| Chimney Swift                            | u | u | u |   |
| <b>HUMMINGBIRDS</b>                      |   |   |   |   |
| Ruby-throated Hummingbird                | c | c | o |   |
| <b>KINGFISHERS</b>                       |   |   |   |   |
| Belted Kingfisher                        | u | u | r | r |
| <b>WOODPEDCKERS</b>                      |   |   |   |   |
| Red-bellied Woodpecker                   | a | a | a | a |
| Yellow-bellied Sapsucker                 |   |   |   | u |
| Downy Woodpecker                         | c | c | c | c |
| Hairy Woodpecker                         | u | u | u | u |
| Northern Flicker                         | c | c | c | c |
| Pileated Woodpecker                      | u | u | u | u |

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| <b>FALCONS</b>                |   |   |   |   |
| American Kestrel              | o | o | o | o |
| Merlin                        | o |   | o | o |
| Peregrine Falcon              |   | r | r |   |
| <b>TYRANT FLYCATCHERS</b>     |   |   |   |   |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher        |   |   |   | r |
| Eastern Wood-Pewee            |   | u | u |   |
| Willow Flycatcher             |   | u | u |   |
| Eastern Phoebe                | c | c | c |   |
| Great Crested Flycatcher      |   | c | u |   |
| Eastern Kingbird              |   | c | u |   |
| <b>VIREOS</b>                 |   |   |   |   |
| White-eyed Vireo              | u | u |   |   |
| Yellow-throated Vireo         | c | u |   |   |
| Blue-headed Vireo             | o |   | o |   |
| Warbling Vireo                | o | o |   |   |
| Red-eyed Vireo                | c | c |   |   |
| <b>JAYS AND CROWS</b>         |   |   |   |   |
| Blue Jay                      | a | a | a | a |
| American Crow                 | a | a | a | a |
| Fish Crow                     | u |   | u | u |
| Common Raven                  | u |   |   | u |
| <b>LARKS</b>                  |   |   |   |   |
| Horned Lark                   |   |   |   | r |
| <b>SWALLOWS</b>               |   |   |   |   |
| Northern Rough-winged Swallow | u | u |   |   |
| Purple Martin                 | r | r |   |   |
| Tree Swallow                  | a | a |   |   |
| Barn Swallow                  | c | c |   |   |
| <b>TITMICE</b>                |   |   |   |   |
| Black-capped Chickadee        | c | u | c | c |
| Carolina Chickadee            | r |   | r | r |
| Tufted Titmouse               | c | c | c | c |
| <b>NUTHATCHES</b>             |   |   |   |   |
| Red-brested Nuthatch          | o |   | o | o |
| White-breasted Nuthatch       | c | c | c | c |
| <b>CREEPERS</b>               |   |   |   |   |
| Brown Creeper                 | o |   | o | o |