

# Field Checklist of the Birds of Howard County, Maryland

## Howard County Bird Club

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Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	A
Snow Goose	M,WV
Ross's Goose *	A
Gtr White-fronted Goose *	A
Pink-footed Goose *	A
Brant *	H
Cackling Goose	WV
● Canada Goose	M,PR
● Mute Swan *	C
Trumpeter Swan	A
Tundra Swan	M,WV
● Wood Duck	M,SR,WV
Blue-winged Teal	M
Northern Shoveler	M,WV
● Gadwall	M,WV
Eurasian Wigeon *	A
American Wigeon	M,WV
● Mallard	M,PR
● American Black Duck	M,WV
Northern Pintail	M,WV
Green-winged Teal	M,WV
Canvasback	M,WV
Redhead	M,WV
Ring-necked Duck	M,WV
Greater Scaup	M,WV
Lesser Scaup	M,WV
King Eider	A
Surf Scoter *	C
White-winged Scoter *	C
Black Scoter *	C
Long-tailed Duck	M,WV
Bufflehead	M,WV
Common Goldeneye	M,WV
● Hooded Merganser	M,WV
● Common Merganser	M,WR
Red-breasted Merganser	M,WV
Ruddy Duck	M,WV
● Northern Bobwhite *	PR
● Wild Turkey	PR
● Ring-necked Pheasant *	PR
Pied-billed Grebe	M,WV
Horned Grebe	M,WV
Red-necked Grebe *	C
Eared Grebe *	A
Western Grebe *	H
● Rock Pigeon	PR
Eurasian Collared-Dove *	A
White-winged Dove *	A
● Mourning Dove	PR
● Yellow-billed Cuckoo	M,SR
● Black-billed Cuckoo	M,SR
Common Nighthawk	M
Chuck-will's-widow *	C
● Eastern Whip-poor-will	M,SR?

Chimney Swift	M,SR
Mexican Violetear *	A
● Ruby-throated Hummingbird	M,SR
Rufous Hummingbird *	A
Clapper Rail *	A
King Rail *	C
● Virginia Rail	M, SR
● Sora	M
● Common Gallinule *	C
American Coot	M,WV
Black Rail *	A
Limpkin *	A
Sandhill Crane *	C
Black-necked Stilt *	A
American Avocet *	C
Black-bellied Plover	M
American Golden-Plover	M
● Killdeer	M,PR
Semipalmated Plover	M
Piping Plover *	A
Upland Sandpiper	C
Whimbrel*	H
Ruddy Turnstone *	H
Red Knot *	H
Stilt Sandpiper *	C
Sanderling	C
Dunlin	C
Baird's Sandpiper *	A
Least Sandpiper	M,SV
White-rumped Sandpiper *	C
Buff-breasted Sandpiper *	C
Pectoral Sandpiper	M,SV
Semipalmated Sandpiper	M,SV
Western Sandpiper *	C
Short-billed Dowitcher *	C
Long-billed Dowitcher *	A
● American Woodcock	M,SR,WV
Wilson's Snipe	M,WV
● Spotted Sandpiper	M,SV
Solitary Sandpiper	M,SV
Lesser Yellowlegs	M,SV
Greater Yellowlegs	M,SV
Wilson's Phalarope *	A
Red Phalarope *	A
Sabine's Gull *	A
Bonaparte's Gull	M,WV
Little Gull *	A
Laughing Gull	M
Ring-billed Gull	M,SV,WR
Herring Gull	M,WR
Iceland Gull *	C
Lesser Black-backed Gull *	C
Glaucous Gull *	C
Great Black-backed Gull	M,WV
Least Tern *	A
Caspian Tern	M,SV
Black Tern	C
Common Tern *	C

Forster's Tern	M
Red-throated Loon *	C
Common Loon	M,WV
Wood Stork	A
Anhinga *	A
Double-crested Cormorant	M,SV,WV
American Bittern	M
Least Bittern *	C
● Great Blue Heron	M,PR
Great Egret	M,SV
Snowy Egret *	C
Little Blue Heron	M,SV
Tricolored Heron *	A
Cattle Egret	M,SV
● Green Heron	M,SR
Black-crowned Night-Heron	M,SV
● Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	SV
White Ibis *	C
Glossy Ibis	C
● Black Vulture	M,PR
● Turkey Vulture	M,PR
● Osprey	M,SV
Swallow-tailed Kite *	A
Golden Eagle *	C
Northern Harrier	M,WV
Sharp-shinned Hawk	M,WR
● Cooper's Hawk	M,PR
Northern Goshawk *	M,WV
● Bald Eagle	M,PR
Mississippi Kite *	C
● Red-shouldered Hawk	M,PR
● Broad-winged Hawk	M,SR
● Red-tailed Hawk	M,PR
Rough-legged Hawk *	M,WV
● Barn Owl *	C
● Eastern Screech-Owl	PR
● Great Horned Owl	PR
Snowy Owl *	A
● Barred Owl	PR
Long-eared Owl	C
Short-eared Owl	C
Northern Saw-whet Owl	C
● Belted Kingfisher	PR
● Red-headed Woodpecker	M,WV, SR
● Red-bellied Woodpecker	PR
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	M,WV
● Downy Woodpecker	PR
● Hairy Woodpecker	PR
● Northern Flicker	M,PR
● Pileated Woodpecker	PR
● American Kestrel	M,PR
Merlin	M,WV
Peregrine Falcon	M,WV
● Great Crested Flycatcher	M,SR
Western Kingbird	A
● Eastern Kingbird	M,SR
Olive-sided Flycatcher	M
● Eastern Wood-Pewee	M,SR

_____	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	M
_____	● Acadian Flycatcher	M,SR
_____	Alder Flycatcher *	C
_____	● Willow Flycatcher	M,SR
_____	○ Least Flycatcher	M,SV
_____	● Eastern Phoebe	M,SR,WV
_____	Loggerhead Shrike *	C
_____	Northern Shrike *	A
_____	● White-eyed Vireo	M,SR
_____	● Yellow-throated Vireo	M,SR
_____	Blue-headed Vireo	M
_____	Philadelphia Vireo	M (fall)
_____	● Warbling Vireo	M,SR
_____	● Red-eyed Vireo	M,SR
_____	● Blue Jay	M,PR
_____	● American Crow	PR
_____	● Fish Crow	PR
_____	● Common Raven	C,PR
_____	● Horned Lark	M,PR
_____	● Bank Swallow	M,SV
_____	● Tree Swallow	M,SR
_____	● N. Rough-winged Swallow	M,SR
_____	● Purple Martin	M,SR
_____	● Barn Swallow	M,SR
_____	● Cliff Swallow	M,SR
_____	● Carolina Chickadee	PR
_____	Black-capped Chickadee *	C,WV
_____	● Tufted Titmouse	PR
_____	Red-breasted Nuthatch	M,WV
_____	● White-breasted Nuthatch	M,PR
_____	Brown Creeper	M,WR
_____	● Carolina Wren	PR
_____	● House Wren	M,SR
_____	Winter Wren	M,WR
_____	Sedge Wren *	C
_____	Marsh Wren	M
_____	● Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	M,SR
_____	Golden-crowned Kinglet	M,WR
_____	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	M,WV
_____	● Eastern Bluebird	PR
_____	● Veery	M,SR
_____	Gray-cheeked Thrush	M
_____	Bicknell's Thrush *	A,M
_____	Swainson's Thrush	M
_____	Hermit Thrush	M,WR
_____	● Wood Thrush	M,SR
_____	● American Robin	M,PR
_____	Varied Thrush *	A
_____	● Gray Catbird	M,SR,WV
_____	● Brown Thrasher	M,SR,WV
_____	● Northern Mockingbird	PR
_____	● European Starling	PR
_____	● Cedar Waxwing	M,PR
_____	● House Sparrow	PR
_____	American Pipit	M,WV
_____	Evening Grosbeak *	C
_____	● House Finch	PR
_____	Purple Finch	M,WV

_____	Common Redpoll *	C
_____	Red Crossbill *	C
_____	White-winged Crossbill *	C
_____	Pine Siskin	M,WV
_____	● American Goldfinch	PR
_____	Lapland Longspur *	C
_____	Snow Bunting *	C
_____	Grasshopper Sparrow	M,SR
_____	Lark Sparrow *	A
_____	● Chipping Sparrow	M,SR,WV
_____	Clay-colored Sparrow *	C
_____	● Field Sparrow	M,PR
_____	Fox Sparrow	M,WR
_____	American Tree Sparrow	M,WR
_____	Dark-eyed Junco	M,WR
_____	White-crowned Sparrow	M,WR
_____	Harris's Sparrow *	A
_____	White-throated Sparrow	M,WR
_____	● Vesper Sparrow	M,SR
_____	LeConte's Sparrow *	A
_____	Nelson's Sparrow *	M
_____	Henslow's Sparrow *	C
_____	● Savannah Sparrow	M,WR,SR?
_____	● Song Sparrow	M,PR
_____	Lincoln's Sparrow	M
_____	Swamp Sparrow	M,WR
_____	● Eastern Towhee	M,PR
_____	● Yellow-breasted Chat	M,SR
_____	Yellow-headed Blackbird *	A
_____	Bobolink	M
_____	● Eastern Meadowlark	PR
_____	● Orchard Oriole	M,SR
_____	● Baltimore Oriole	M,SR
_____	● Red-winged Blackbird	M,PR
_____	● Brown-headed Cowbird	M,PR
_____	Rusty Blackbird	M,WV
_____	Brewer's Blackbird *	A
_____	● Common Grackle	M,PR
_____	● Ovenbird	M,SR
_____	● Worm-eating Warbler	M,SR
_____	● Louisiana Waterthrush	M,SR
_____	Northern Waterthrush	M
_____	Golden-winged Warbler	M
_____	● Blue-winged Warbler	M,SR
_____	● Black-and-white Warbler	M,SR
_____	● Prothonotary Warbler	M,SR
_____	Tennessee Warbler	M
_____	Orange-crowned Warbler	M,WV
_____	Nashville Warbler	M
_____	Connecticut Warbler	M (fall)
_____	Mourning Warbler	M
_____	● Kentucky Warbler	M,SR
_____	● Common Yellowthroat	M,SR
_____	● Hooded Warbler	M,SR
_____	● American Redstart	M,SR
_____	Cape May Warbler	M
_____	● Cerulean Warbler	M,SR
_____	● Northern Parula	M,SR

_____	Magnolia Warbler	M
_____	Bay-breasted Warbler	M
_____	Blackburnian Warbler	M
_____	● Yellow Warbler	M,SR
_____	Chestnut-sided Warbler	M
_____	Blackpoll Warbler	M
_____	Black-throated Blue Warbler	M
_____	Palm Warbler	M
_____	● Pine Warbler	M,SR
_____	Yellow-rumped Warbler	M,WV
_____	● Yellow-throated Warbler	M,SR
_____	● Prairie Warbler	M,SR
_____	Black-throated Green Warbler	M
_____	Canada Warbler	M
_____	Wilson's Warbler	M
_____	Summer Tanager	M,SV
_____	● Scarlet Tanager	M,SR
_____	Western Tanager	A
_____	● Northern Cardinal	PR
_____	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	M
_____	● Blue Grosbeak	M,SR
_____	● Indigo Bunting	M,SR
_____	Painted Bunting *	A
_____	● Dickcissel *	M,SV,WV
● Breeding evidence (may be a single record)		
○ Historical breeding record prior to 1983.		
* Asterisk indicates written details or a photograph are required.		
PR - Permanent Resident		
SR - Summer Resident		
SV - Summer Visitor		
WR - Winter Resident		
WV - Winter Visitor		
M - Migrant'		
C - Casual - (at least 6 records; highly irregular occurrence)		
A - Accidental - (1-5 records with photo or specimen; 3-5 without)		
H - Hypothetical - (1-2 records without a photograph, specimen, or Maryland/District of Columbia Records Committee acceptance)		
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Hybrids		
_____	Brewster's Warbler *	Extirpated
_____	Lawrence's Warbler *	Ruffed Grouse
		Passenger Pigeon
		Bewick's Wren

Historical Record: Bachman's Sparrow – record 1955

Spring - March-May                      Autumn - August-November  
Summer - June-July                      Winter - December-February  
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