

Rice Lake

National Wildlife Refuge Bird List



Great Gray Owl, M. McDowell, USFWS

Legend	
S	Spring..... March - May
s	Summer..... June - August
F	Fall..... September - November
W	Winter..... December - February
a	Abundant-Common species that is very numerous
c	Common-Certain to be seen in suitable habitat, not in large numbers
u	Uncommon-Present but not always seen
o	Occasional-Usually present but seldom seen
r	Rare-Seen at irregular intervals

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Common Name	S	s	F	W
Swans, Geese, and Ducks				
Greater White-fronted Goose	r		r	
Snow Goose	u		u	
Ross's Goose	r		r	
Cackling Goose	o		o	
Canada Goose (resident)		c	c	
Canada Goose (migrant)		c	c	r
Trumpeter Swan	u	u	u	
Tundra Swan	c		c	
Wood Duck	c	c	c	
Gadwall	o		u	
American Wigeon	c	u	c	
American Black Duck	u	o	c	
Mallard	a	c	a	r
Blue-winged Teal	c	c	c	
Northern Shoveler	u		o	
Northern Pintail	u	u	u	
Green-winged Teal	c	o	c	
Canvasback	o		o	
Redhead	o		o	
Ring-necked Duck	a	c	a	
Greater Scaup	r		r	
Lesser Scaup	c		c	
Bufflehead	c		u	
Common Goldeneye	c	r	u	r
Hooded Merganser	u	u	u	r
Common Merganser	u		u	
Red-breasted Merganser	u		u	
Ruddy Duck	r		r	

Grouse & Turkeys

Ring-necked Pheasant	r	r	r	r
Ruffed Grouse	c	c	c	c
Sharp-tailed Grouse	o	o	o	o
Wild Turkey	r	r	r	r

Loons

Common Loon	u	u	u	
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Grebes

Pied-billed Grebe	u	u	u	
Horned Grebe	u		u	
Red-necked Grebe	o		o	
Eared Grebe	r		r	

Pelicans

American White Pelican	o	r	o	
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Cormorants

Double-crested Cormorant	o	o	o	
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Hérons & Bitterns				
American Bittern	u	u	u	
Least Bittern	r	r	r	
Great Blue Heron	c	c	c	
Great Egret	o		o	
Green Heron	u	u	u	

Vultures

Turkey Vulture	o	o	o	
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Hawks & Eagles

Osprey	o	o	o	
Bald Eagle	c	u	c	r
Northern Harrier	c	c	c	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	o	o	o	
Cooper's Hawk	o	o	o	
Northern Goshawk	o	r	o	o
Red-shouldered Hawk	r	r	r	
Broad-winged Hawk	u	u	u	
Red-tailed Hawk	u	u	u	r
Rough-legged Hawk	o		o	c
Golden Eagle	r		r	r

Falcons

American Kestrel	c	c	c	
Merlin	o	r	o	
Peregrine Falcon	r		r	

Rails & Coots

Yellow Rail	u	u	o	
Virginia Rail	u	u	u	
Sora	u	u	u	
American Coot	c	c	a	

Cranes

Sandhill Crane	u	u	u	
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Plovers

Black-bellied Plover	r		r	
American Golden-Plover	r		r	
Semipalmated Plover	r		r	
Killdeer	c	c	c	

Sandpipers

Greater Yellowlegs	u		u	
Lesser Yellowlegs	u		u	
Solitary Sandpiper	u		u	
Spotted Sandpiper	c	c	c	
Upland Sandpiper	r		r	
Hudsonian Godwit	r		r	

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Marbled Godwit	r		r	
Ruddy Turnstone	r		r	
Sanderling	r		r	
Semipalmated Sandpiper	u		u	
Least Sandpiper	u		u	
White-rumped Sandpiper	r		r	
Baird's Sandpiper	r		r	
Pectoral Sandpiper	u		u	
Dunlin	r		r	
Stilt Sandpiper	u		u	
Short-billed Dowitcher	u		u	
Long-billed Dowitcher	u		u	
Wilson's Snipe	u	u	u	
American Woodcock	u	u	u	
Wilson's Phalarope	r		r	

Gulls & Terns

Franklin's Gull	r		r	
Bonaparte's Gull	o		o	
Ring-billed Gull	u	u	u	
Herring Gull	o		o	
Caspian Tern	o		o	
Common Tern	o		o	
Forster's Tern	r		r	
Black Tern	u	c	u	

Pigeons & Doves

Rock Pigeon	r	r	r	r
Mourning Dove	u	c	u	

Cuckoos

Black-billed Cuckoo	o	u	o	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	r	r	r	

Owls

Eastern Screech-Owl	r	r	r	
Great Horned Owl	u	u	u	u
Snowy Owl	r		o	o
Northern Hawk Owl	r	r	r	
Barred Owl	u	u	u	u
Great Gray Owl	r	r	r	o
Long-eared Owl	r	r	r	
Short-eared Owl	o	o	o	
Northern Saw-whet Owl	r	r	r	r

Nightjars

Common Nighthawk	c	c	c	
Whip-poor-will	r	r	r	

Swifts

Chimney Swift	o	o	o	
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Hummingbirds				
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	u	c	u	

Kingfishers

Belted Kingfisher	c	c	c	
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Woodpeckers

Red-headed Woodpecker	u	u	u	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	u	u	u	u
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	u	u	u	
Downy Woodpecker	c	c	c	c
Hairy Woodpecker	c	c	c	c
Black-backed Woodpecker	r		r	r
Northern Flicker	c	c	c	
Pileated Woodpecker	u	u	u	u

Flycatchers

Olive-sided Flycatcher	u	o	u	
Eastern Wood-Pewee	u	u	u	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	u	u	u	
Alder Flycatcher	u	u	u	
Least Flycatcher	c	c	c	
Eastern Phoebe	c	c	c	
Great Crested Flycatcher	c	c	c	
Western Kingbird	r		r	
Eastern Kingbird	c	c	c	

Shrikes

Northern Shrike	u		u	u
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Vireos

Yellow-throated Vireo	c	c	c	
Blue-headed Vireo	u	o	u	
Warbling Vireo	u	u	u	
Philadelphia Vireo	u		u	
Red-eyed Vireo	c	c	c	

Crows & Jays

Gray Jay	r	r	r	o
Blue Jay	c	c	c	c
Black-billed Magpie	r		r	
American Crow	c	c	c	c
Common Raven	c	c	c	c

Larks

Horned Lark	u	u	u	r
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Swallows

Purple Martin	r	r	r	
Tree Swallow	c	c	c	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	o	o	o	o

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Northern Rough-winged Swallow		o	o	
Bank Swallow		u	u	
Cliff Swallow	c	c	u	
Barn Swallow	c	c	u	
Chickadees & Titmice				
Black-capped Chickadee	c	c	c	c
Nuthatches				
Red-breasted Nuthatch	o	r	o	r
White-breasted Nuthatch	c	c	c	c
Creepers				
Brown Creeper	u	r	u	
Wrens				
House Wren	u	u	u	
Winter Wren	o	r	o	
Sedge Wren	c	c	c	
Marsh Wren	c	c	c	
Kinglets & Gnatcatchers				
Golden-crowned Kinglet	u	o	u	o
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	u	u		
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	o			
Thrushes				
Eastern Bluebird	c	c	c	
Veery	c	c	c	
Gray-cheeked Thrush	o	o		
Swainson's Thrush	u	u		
Hermit Thrush	u	u	u	
Wood Thrush	u	u	u	
American Robin	c	c	c	
Thrashers				
Gray Catbird	c	c	c	
Northern Mockingbird	r	r		
Brown Thrasher	c	c	u	
Starlings				
European Starling	u	u	u	u
Pipits				
American Pipit	o	o		
Waxwings				
Bohemian Waxwing	r	r	r	
Cedar Waxwing	c	c	c	r
Wood Warblers				
Golden-winged Warbler	u	u	u	
Tennessee Warbler	u	u		

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Orange-crowned Warbler	u	u		
Nashville Warbler	u	u	u	
Northern Parula	o	o	o	
Yellow Warbler	c	c	c	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	c	c	c	
Magnolia Warbler	u	r	u	
Cape May Warbler	u	r	u	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	r	r	r	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	c	o	c	
Black-throated Green Warbler	u	u	u	
Blackburnian Warbler	u	u	u	
Pine Warbler	u	r	u	
Palm Warbler	u	u		
Bay-breasted Warbler	u	u		
Blackpoll Warbler	u	u		
Black-and-white Warbler	u	u	u	
American Redstart	c	c	c	
Ovenbird	c	c	c	
Northern Waterthrush	o	o	o	
Connecticut Warbler	o	o	o	
Mourning Warbler	u	u	u	
Common Yellowthroat	c	c	c	
Wilson's Warbler	u	u		
Canada Warbler	o	o	o	
Tanagers				
Scarlet Tanager	u	u	u	
Sparrows				
Eastern Towhee	u	u	u	
American Tree Sparrow	c	c		
Chipping Sparrow	c	c	c	
Clay-colored Sparrow	c	c	u	
Field Sparrow	r			
Vesper Sparrow	u	u	u	
Lark Sparrow	r			
Savannah Sparrow	c	c	c	
Grasshopper Sparrow	r			
Henslow's Sparrow	r			
Le Conte's Sparrow	c	c	u	
Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow	o	o	o	
Fox Sparrow	u	u		
Song Sparrow	c	c	c	
Lincoln's Sparrow	u	u		
Swamp Sparrow	c	c	c	
White-throated Sparrow	u	u	u	
Harris's Sparrow	u	u		
White-crowned Sparrow	u	u		
Dark-eyed Junco	c	r	c	r
Lapland Longspur	u	u	u	r
Smith's Longspur		r		
Snow Bunting	o	o	c	

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Grosbeaks & Buntings				
Northern Cardinal	r	r	r	r
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	c	c	c	
Indigo Bunting	u	u	u	
Dickcissel		r		
Blackbirds & Orioles				
Bobolink	c	c	c	
Red-winged Blackbird	c	c	c	
Eastern Meadowlark	u	u	u	
Western Meadowlark	r	r	r	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	u	u	u	
Rusty Blackbird	u	u		
Brewer's Blackbird	o	o	o	
Common Grackle	c	c	c	
Brown-headed Cowbird	c	c	c	
Orchard Oriole	r			
Baltimore Oriole	c	c	c	
Finches				
Pine Grosbeak	r		r	u
Purple Finch	c	c	c	u
House Finch	u	u	u	u
Red Crossbill	r	r	r	r
White-winged Crossbill	r		r	r
Common Redpoll	o	o	u	
Hoary Redpoll	r	r	r	r
Pine Siskin	o	o	o	o
American Goldfinch	u	c	c	r
Evening Grosbeak	r	r	r	o
Old World Sparrows				
House Sparrow	c	c	c	c



Cape May Warbler, S. Maslowski