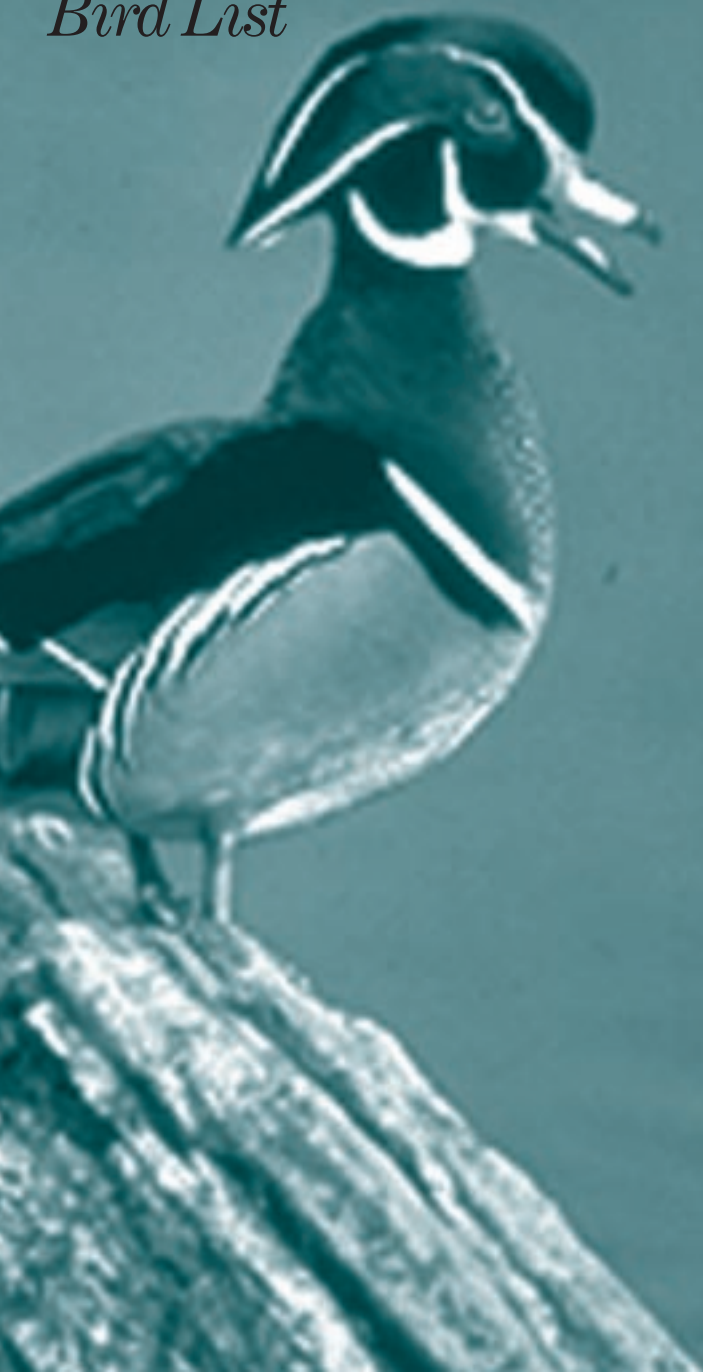


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Bayou Cocodrie

*National Wildlife Refuge
Bird List*



*Bayou Cocodrie
National Wildlife Refuge*
represent one of the most
valuable and productive
wildlife habitat types in
Concordia Parish,
Louisiana and
throughout the
southeastern United
States. Established in
1990, the refuge protects
some of the last
remaining, least
disturbed bottomland
hardwoods in the
Mississippi River Delta.
This 13,168 acre refuge
provides habitat for
migrating waterfowl and
resident wood ducks,
breeding neo-tropical
songbirds and feeding
shorebirds.

*Bayou Cocodrie
National
Wildlife
Refuge*



*This blue goose,
designed by
“Ding Darling,”
has become a
symbol of the
National
Wildlife Refuge
System.*

*Symbols used in
this list are
defined as
follows*

The seasons bring about marked changes in both species and abundance of birdlife. Best opportunities for observing the greatest variety and number of birds are during the fall and spring. Waterfowl are most easily seen on the refuge from mid-November through late December. Neotropical songbirds are best viewed during the spring and summer. Shorebirds are most common during late spring and early fall.

This list is in accordance with the A.O.U. Checklist as amended. Enjoy your visit!

Sp- Spring - March-May
S- Summer - June-August
F- Fall - September-November
W- Winter - December-February
***** Nest on Refuge



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a-abundant
a common
species which
is very
numerous

c-common
certain to be
seen or
heard in
suitable
habitat

u-uncommon
present, but
not certain to
be seen

o-occasional
seen only a
few times
during a
season

r-rare
seen at
intervals of 2
to 5 years

	<i>SP</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>W</i>
Grebes				
___ Pied-billed Grebe	u	r	u	u
Pelicans and their Allies				
___ White Pelicans	o	o	o	o
___ Brown Pelicans	r	r	r	r
___ Double-crested Cormorant	c	c	a	a
___ Anhinga*	u	c	u	r
Hérons, Egrets and their Allies				
___ American Bittern	r		r	
___ Least Bittern	r	r	r	
___ Great Blue Heron*	c	a	c	c
___ Great Egret*	c	a	c	u
___ Snowy Egret*	c	a	c	r
___ Little Blue Heron*	c	a	c	
___ Cattle Egret*	c	a	c	u
___ Green-backed Heron*	c	c	u	
___ Blacked-crowned Night-Heron*	u	u	u	
___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron*	u	a	u	
Ibises, Spoonbill, Stork				
___ White Ibis	u	c	u	
___ Roseate Spoonbill				
___ Wood Stork			r	
Waterfowl				
___ Greater White-fronted Goose				u
___ Snow Goose				u
___ Ross' Goose				o
___ Canada Goose				o
___ Wood Duck*	a	a	a	a
___ Green-winged Teal			c	u
___ American Black Duck				r
___ Mottled Duck				u
___ Mallard				a
___ Northern Pintail				c
___ Blue-winged Teal			c	r
___ Northern Shoveler			c	r
___ Gadwall			c	c
___ American Wigeon				u
___ Ring-necked Duck				u
___ Greater Scaup				r
___ Lesser Scaup				u
___ Hooded Merganser*	u	c	u	u
Vultures, Hawks and Allies				
___ Black Vulture*	a	a	a	a
___ Turkey Vulture*	a	a	a	a
___ Osprey	r			
___ Mississippi Kite*	c	c	c	
___ Bald Eagle	r	r	r	

	<i>SP</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>W</i>
___ Northern Harrier			u	u
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk	u		u	u
___ Cooper's Hawk*	u	r	u	c
___ Red-shouldered Hawk*	a	a	a	a
___ Broad-winged Hawk	u	r	u	
___ Red-tailed Hawk*	c	u	c	a
___ American Kestrel	c	r	c	c
___ Merlin				r
Gallinaceous birds (Quail, Turkey and Allies)				
___ Wild Turkey*	c	c	c	c
___ Northern Bobwhite*	u	u	u	u
Rails, Gallinules, Coots and Cranes				
___ King Rail	r		r	
___ Sora	u		u	
___ Common Moorhen	r		r	
___ American Coot	u		u	c
Shorebirds				
___ Killdeer*	a	a	a	a
___ Greater Yellowlegs	u		u	r
___ Lesser Yellowlegs	u		u	r
___ Solitary Sandpiper	c		u	
___ Spotted Sandpiper	u		u	r
___ Semipalmated Sandpiper	u		u	
___ Least Sandpiper	u		u	u
___ Pectoral Sandpiper	u		u	
___ Western Sandpiper	u		u	r
___ Short-billed Dowitcher	u		u	u
___ Long-billed Dowitcher	r		r	
___ Common Snipes	u		u	c
___ American Woodcock	u		u	c
___ Ringed-billed Gull	u		u	u
Pigeons, Doves				
___ Rock Dove	r	r	r	r
___ Mourning Dove*	a	a	a	a
___ Common Ground-Dove				r
Cuckoos				
___ Black-billed Cuckoo	u		r	
___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo*	c	a	u	
Owls				
___ Common Barn Owl	r	r	r	r
___ Eastern Screech Owl*	c	c	c	c
___ Great Horned Owl*	u	u	u	u
___ Barred Owl*	a	a	a	a

Nightjars

___ Common Nighthawk	u	c	u	
___ Chuck-will's-widow	u	c	u	
___ Whip-poor-will	u		r	

Swifts, Hummingbirds

___ Chimney Swift*	c	c	c	
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	a	a	c	

Kingfishers

___ Belted Kingfisher	c	c	c	c
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Woodpeckers

___ Red-headed Woodpecker*	c	c	c	a
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker*	a	a	a	a
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	u		u	c
___ Downy Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c
___ Hairy Woodpecker*	u	u	u	u
___ Northern Flicker	u	u	u	c
___ Pileated Woodpecker*	c	c	c	

Flycatchers

___ Eastern Wood-Pewee*	c	c	c	
___ Acadian Flycatcher*	a	a	a	
___ Eastern Phoebe	u		u	c
___ Great Crested Flycatcher*	c	a	c	
___ Eastern Kingbird	c	c	c	
___ Horned Lark*	u	u	u	c

Martins and Swallows

___ Purple Martin	c	c	c	
___ Tree Swallow	c		c	
___ Northern Roughed-winged Swallow	c	u	c	
___ Barn Swallow	c	c	c	

Jays and Crows

___ Blue Jay*	c	u	c	c
___ American Crow*	c	c	c	c
___ Fish Crow	u	u	u	u
___ Carolina Chickadee*	a	a	a	a
___ Tufted Titmouse*	a	a	a	a

Nuthatches

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch				r
___ White-breasted Nuthatch				r
___ Brown-headed Nuthatch	r	r	r	r

Creepers

___ Brown Creeper				u
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	<i>SP</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>W</i>
Wrens				
___ Carolina Wren*	a	a	a	a
___ House Wren	r		r	u
___ Winter Wren	r		r	u
___ Sedge Wren	r		r	u
Kinglets and Gnatcatchers				
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	c		u	c
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	a		c	a
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	a	a	a	r
Bluebirds, Thrushes and Robin				
___ Eastern Bluebird	c	c	c	c
___ Veery	u		r	
___ Gray-cheeked Thrush	c		u	
___ Swainson's Thrush	c		u	
___ Hermit Thrush	c		u	c
___ Wood Thrush*	c	u	u	
___ American Robin	c	r	c	c
Thrashers				
___ Gray Catbird	c	r	c	r
___ Northern Mockingbird*	u	u	u	u
___ Brown Thrasher	c	c	c	c
Pipits				
___ American Pipit	r		r	u
Waxwings				
___ Cedar Waxwings	c		r	c
Starling				
___ European Starling	u	u	u	u
Shrike				
___ Loggerhead Shrike*	c	c	c	c
Vireos				
___ White-eyed Vireo*	a	a	a	r
___ Blue-headed Vireo			u	u
___ Yellow-throated Vireo*	c	c	u	
___ Red-eyed Vireo*	a	a	a	
___ Philadelphia Vireo	u		u	
Warblers				
___ Blue-winged Warbler	c		u	
___ Golden-winged Warbler	c		u	
___ Tennessee Warbler	c		u	
___ Orange-crowned Warbler	c		u	c
___ Northern Parula*	c	a	c	
___ Yellow warbler	u		c	
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler	c		u	

	<i>SP</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>W</i>
___ Magnolia Warbler	c		u	
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler	c		u	a
___ Black-throated Green Warbler	c		u	
___ Blackburnian Warbler	c		u	
___ Yellow-throated Warbler*	c	c	c	
___ Pine Warbler	r		r	u
___ Prairie Warbler	u		u	
___ Palm Warbler	u		u	
___ Bay-breasted Warbler	c		u	
___ Blackpoll Warbler	c		u	
___ Cerulean Warbler	u		u	
___ Black-and-white Warbler	c		c	
___ American Redstart*	c	u	c	
___ Prothonotary Warbler*	a	a	a	
___ Worm-eating Warbler	u		u	
___ Swainson's Warbler*	u	u	u	
___ Ovenbird	c		u	
___ Northern Waterthrush	c		u	
___ Louisiana Waterthrush	c		u	
___ Kentucky Warbler*	c	c	c	
___ Common Yellowthroat*	c	u	c	u
___ Hooded Warbler*	c	c	c	
___ Wilson's Warbler	u		u	
___ Canada Warbler	c		u	
___ Yellow-breasted Chat*	c	c	c	

Tanagers

___ Summer Tanager*	c	c	c	
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New World Finches

___ Northern Cardinal*	a	a	a	a
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	c		u	
___ Blue Grosbeak	c	u	c	
___ Indigo Bunting*	a	a	a	
___ Painted Bunting*	c	c	c	
___ Dickcissel*	c	c	c	
___ Rufous-sided Towhee*	c	c	c	c

Sparrows

___ Chipping Sparrow	u		u	r
___ Field Sparrow	u		u	u
___ Savannah Sparrow	c		u	c
___ Fox Sparrow	u		u	u
___ Song Sparrow	c		u	c
___ Swamp Sparrow	c		u	c
___ White-throated Sparrow	c		u	a
___ Dark-eyed Junco	c		u	c
___ Lapland Longspur				u

	<i>SP</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>W</i>
Blackbirds, Grackles, Cowbirds and Orioles				
___ Bobolink	c		u	
___ Red-winged Blackbird*	a	a	a	a
___ Eastern Meadowlark*	c	c	c	c
___ Rusty Blackbird	u		u	u
___ Brewer's Blackbird	r		r	r
___ Common Grackle*	u	u	u	c
___ Brown-headed Cowbird*	a	a	a	a
___ Orchard Oriole*	c	u	u	u
___ Baltimore Oriole	c		u	
Old World Finches				
___ Purple Finch			u	u
___ House Finch	r	r	r	r
___ Pine Siskin				u
___ American Goldfinch	u		u	c
Weaver Finches				
___ House Sparrow	r	r	r	r

Ethics for Birdwatching

Take care not to disturb nesting birds, exposing eggs and young to extreme temperatures and predation.

Disturb wintering wildlife as little as possible, particularly during critical feeding and resting periods. They need all of their energy reserves to withstand the stresses of harsh weather and migration.

Do not litter! Many birds die when they become entangled in fishing lines, 6-pack rings and other trash, or when they mistake garbage for food.



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Sighting Notes

Date

Time

Weather

No. of species

Route or area

Observers

Remarks



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