Holla Bend

National Wildlife Refuges Bird List



Holla Bend National Wildlife Refuge was established in 1957 primarily as a wintering area for migratory waterfowl, and is administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The refuge is located in the Arkansas River Valley about 8 miles from the town of Dardanelle. Holla Bend NWR contains 7,057 acres of diversified wildlife habitat including agricultural fields, mixed forest, irregularly flooded timber, mudflats and open water.

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Season abundance Because of the Refuge's habitat diversity and geographical location near the transitional zone for eastern and western species, a birding visit may be unusually rewarding. Ducks in numbers often exceeding 30,000 are common sights funneling into grain fields during December and January. Mallards make up 90% of the flight but American Wigeon, Northern Pintail, Gadwall and Green-winged Teal are also common. Snow and Canada Geese, along with lesser numbers of Greater White-fronted and Ross' Geese, are usually found resting in the old river channel or feeding in the wheat, corn and milo fields along with the ducks. Bald Eagles frequent the refuge November through February and occasional Golden Eagles may also be observed. These magnificent birds perch regally on solitary large trees scattered throughout the farm unit and along the river bank. The Greater Roadrunner resides in limited numbers and the Scissor-tailed Flycatcher is common from spring through fall. Northern Bobwhites and Mourning Doves find the farmland and edges to be ideal year round as do seasonal residents or migrants such as Bobolinks and many species of sparrows. A variety of herons, egrets. and shorebirds frequent the pools and mudflats. Seven species of owls, including Burrowing and Long-eared, have occurred in proper habitat on the refuge. Numerous vireos, warblers, buntings and \(\xi\) orioles inhabit the woodlands, especially during migration and some remain to

How to use your checklist
The bird checklist was designed to be
informative and simple to use. Taxonomy
and nomenclature of this list follow the
Checklist of North American Birds.
Symbols which appear in this checklist
represent the following:

SP Spring, March – May

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- S Summer, June July
- F Fall, August November
- W Winter, December February

- a. abundant (a common species which is very numerous)
- c. common (certain to be seen 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)

This checklist includes 266 species of birds and is based on observations by refuge personnel and visiting ornithologists. If you should find an unlisted species, please let us know at refuge headquarters. We will appreciate your help in updating our records.



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| Loons and Grebes | SP | S | F | W | Broad-winged Hawk | SP | $\frac{S}{\mathbf{r}}$ | F | W |
| Common Loon | | | | \mathbf{r} | Swainson's Hawk | 0 | - | | |
| Pied-billed Grebe | c | r | c | c | Red-tailed Hawk | c | c | c | c |
| Horned Grebe | | | | \mathbf{r} | Rough-legged Hawk | | | | \mathbf{r} |
| Eared Grebe | | | | \mathbf{r} | Golden Eagle | | | | r |
| | | | | | American Kestrel | O | | 0 | 0 |
| Pelicans and Allies | | | | | Merlin | | | | \mathbf{r} |
| American White Pelican | u | | u | \mathbf{c} | Peregrine Falcon | | | \mathbf{r} | r |
| Double-crested Cormorant | \mathbf{c} | u | c | \mathbf{c} | Prairie Falcon | | | | r |
| Anhinga | | | | \mathbf{r} | Mississippi Kite | a | a | | |
| Herons, Egrets, Ibises and Vultures | | | | | Turkey and Quail | | | | |
| American Bittern | | 0 | | 0 | Wild Turkey | c | c | c | c |
| Great Blue Heron | c | c | c | c | Northern Bobwhite | c | c | c | c |
| Great Egret | 0 | c | c | u | Not the In Boowing | C | C | C | C |
| Snowy Egret | O | 0 | C | ч | Rails, Gallinules and Cranes | | | | |
| Little Blue Heron | r | r | | | Sora | \mathbf{r} | | r | |
| Cattle Egret | \mathbf{r} | r | | | American Coot | \mathbf{r} | | c | u |
| Green Heron | u | u | u | | Sandhill Crane | r | | | |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron | | r | | | | | | | |
| Yellow-crowned Night-Heron | | r | | | Plovers, Sandpipers, Gulls, and Terns | | | | |
| White Ibis | | r | | | Black-bellied Plover | 0 | | u | |
| Glossy Ibis | \mathbf{r} | | r | | American Golden-Plover | 0 | | | |
| Wood Stork | | | r | | Semipalmated Plover | u | \mathbf{r} | r | |
| Black Vulture | c | u | c | c | Killdeer | c | c | c | c |
| Turkey Vulture | a | a | a | a | American Avocet | | | r | |
| Swans Coase and Duels | | | | | Greater Yellowlegs | 0 | | u | |
| Swans, Geese and Ducks Greater White-fronted Goose | | | | 0 | Lesser Yellowlegs Solitary Sandpiper | u | | | |
| Snow Goose | 11 | | c | o c | Upland Sandpiper | $^{ m o}_{ m r}$ | | 0 | |
| Ross' Goose | u u | | u | 0 | Hudsonian Godwit | 0 | | U | |
| Canada Goose | c | u | c | c | Ruddy Turnstone | U | | 0 | |
| Cackling Goose | C | и | C | r | Sanderling | 0 | | U | |
| Trumpeter Swan | 0 | | | 0 | Semipalmated Sandpiper | $\overset{\circ}{\mathbf{r}}$ | | | |
| Tundra Swan | | | | \mathbf{r} | Baird's Sandpiper | \mathbf{r} | | | |
| Wood Duck | \mathbf{c} | u | o | \mathbf{c} | Western Sandpiper | \mathbf{r} | | | |
| Gadwall | u | | c | c | Least Sandpiper | u | | | |
| American Wigeon | u | | \mathbf{c} | \mathbf{c} | White-rumped Sandpiper | \mathbf{r} | | | |
| American Black Duck | \mathbf{r} | | r | \mathbf{r} | Spotted Sandpiper | u | \mathbf{r} | | |
| Mallard | u | u | c | \mathbf{c} | Pectoral Sandpiper | 0 | | | |
| Blue-winged Teal | u | u | c | 0 | Dunlin | r | | | |
| Northern Shoveler | u | | c | c | Stilt Sandpiper | \mathbf{r} | | | |
| Northern Pintail | u | | 0 | 0 | Short-billed Dowitcher | r | | | |
| Green-winged Teal Canvasback | | | 0 | 0 | Long-billed Dowitcher Wilson's Snipe | u | | ., | 0 |
| Redhead | \mathbf{r} | | r | $_{ m r}^{ m r}$ | American Woodcock | u u | | u | c r |
| Ring-necked Duck | u | | u | 0 | Wilson's Phalarope | u | | u | 1 |
| Greater Scaup | и | | и | $^{ m c}$ | Franklin's Gull | и | | r | |
| Lesser Scaup | u | | u | \mathbf{r} | Bonaparte's Gull | | | - | \mathbf{r} |
| Bufflehead | | | u | \mathbf{r} | Ring-billed Gull | u | | c | c |
| Common Goldeneye | | | | \mathbf{r} | Laughing Gull | | | r | |
| Hooded Merganser | u | u | u | u | Herring Gull | | | | r |
| Red-breasted Merganser | | | | \mathbf{r} | Caspian Tern | | \mathbf{r} | | |
| Common Merganser | | | u | u | Forster's Tern | 0 | | | |
| Rudy Duck | | | r | \mathbf{r} | Least Tern | | r | | |
| Black-bellied Whistling Duck | r | | | r | Black Tern | u | О | u | |
| Hawks and Falcons | | | | | Willet | r | | | |
| Osprey | u | r | u | | Doves | | | | |
| Bald Eagle | c | u | c | \mathbf{c} | Rock Dove | 0 | | | 0 |
| Northern Harrier | c | o | c | c | Morning Dove | a | a | a | a |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk | \mathbf{r} | | u | 0 | Eurasian Collared Dove | | | | \mathbf{r} |
| Cooper's Hawk | \mathbf{r} | | r | 0 | Common Ground Dove | \mathbf{r} | | | |
| Red-shouldered Hawk | u | u | c | c | | | | | |

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| Cuckoos and Roadrunners | | | | | Larks | | | | |
| Black-billed Cuckoo | \mathbf{r} | | \mathbf{r} | | Horned Lark | 0 | u | u | 0 |
| Yellow-billed Cuckoo | c | \mathbf{c} | 0 | | | | | | |
| Greater Roadrunner | \mathbf{r} | | | u | Swallows | | | | |
| | | | | | Purple Martin | | 0 | | |
| 0wls | | | | | Tree Swallow | c | r | u | |
| Barn Owl | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Northern Rough-winged Swallow | c | c | 0 | |
| Eastern Screech-Owl | u | u | u | u | Bank Swallow | r | r | | |
| Great Horned Owl | u | u | u | 0 | Cliff Swallow | c | \mathbf{c} | u | |
| Burrowing Owl | | | | r | Barn Swallow | c | 0 | c | |
| Barred Owl | u | u | u | u | | | | | |
| Long-eared Owl | | | | r | Chickadees and Titmice | | | | |
| Short-eared Owl | | | r | u | Carolina Chickadee | c | \mathbf{c} | \mathbf{c} | c |
| | | | | | Tufted Titmouse | c | \mathbf{c} | c | c |
| Goatsuckers | | | | | | | | | |
| Common Nighthawk | u | u | c | | Nuthatches | | | | |
| Chuck-will's-widow | u | u | | | Red-breasted Nuthatch | | | | r |
| Whip-poor-will | r | r | | | White-breasted Nuthatch | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Swifts and Hummingbirds | | | | | Creepers | | | | |
| Chimney Swift | 0 | c | c | | Brown Creeper | | | | u |
| Ruby-throated Hummingbird | c | c | u | | • | | | | |
| · C | | | | | Wrens | | | | |
| Kingfishers | | | | | Carolina Wren | a | c | c | a |
| Belted Kingfisher | c | c | c | c | Bewick's Wren | | | | 0 |
| | | | | | House Wren | | | | 0 |
| Woodpeckers | | | | | Winter Wren | | | | u |
| Red-headed Woodpecker | c | 0 | o | u | Sedge Wren | | | u | r |
| Red-bellied Woodpecker | c | c | c | c | Marsh Wren | \mathbf{r} | | r | r |
| Yellow-bellied Sapsucker | 0 | - | 0 | c | | _ | | _ | _ |
| Downy Woodpecker | c | c | c | c | Kinglets | | | | |
| Hairy Woodpecker | 0 | u | r | 0 | Golden-crowned Kinglet | | | u | c |
| Northern Flicker | c | 0 | c | c | Ruby-crowned Kinglet | | | 0 | c |
| Pileated Woodpecker | c | c | c | c | ivany crowned imigree | | | Ü | · |
| Theatea Woodpeeker | C | C | C | C | Gnatcatchers | | | | |
| Flycatchers | | | | | Blue-gray Gnatcatcher | c | c | c | r |
| Eastern Wood-Pewee | c | c | | | Diae gray anaceatoner | C | · | · | • |
| Acadian Flycatcher | u | u | | | Thrushes | | | | |
| Alder Flycatcher | u | и | | | Eastern Bluebird | c | c | u | c |
| Least Flycatcher | u | | | | Gray-cheeked Thrush | $\overset{\mathtt{c}}{\mathbf{r}}$ | C | и | C |
| Eastern Phoebe | c | c | c | c | Swainson's Thrush | r | | | |
| Great Crested Flycatcher | c | c | C | C | Hermit Thrush | 1 | | | u |
| Western Kingbird | r | C | | | Wood Thrush | r | | | и |
| Eastern Kingbird | c | c | | | American Robin | c | c | a | a |
| Willow Flycatcher | u | u | | | Thirefreum 1000m | C | C | а | а |
| Olive-sided Flycatcher | r | и | | | Mockingbirds, Thrashers and Allies | | | | |
| Scissor-tailed Flycatcher | c | c | c | | Gray Catbird | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Scissor tailed Ligeaterici | C | C | C | | Northern Mockingbird | c | c | c | c |
| Shrikes | | | | | Brown Thrasher | c | c | c | c |
| Loggerhead Shrike | r | r | r | 0 | Brown Imagner | C | C | C | C |
| noggernead Simme | - | • | - | O | Starlings | | | | |
| Vireos | | | | | European Starling | 0 | c | c | c |
| White-eyed Vireo | c | c | u | | European Starting | Ū | C | C | C |
| Bell's Vireo | c | c | и | | Pipits | | | | |
| Yellow-throated Vireo | u | u | | | American Pipit | | | r | 0 |
| Warbling Vireo | 0 | и | | | 11110110011 1 1p10 | | | | J |
| Philadelphia Vireo | $\overset{	ext{o}}{	ext{r}}$ | | r | | Waxwing | | | | |
| Red-eyed Vireo | c | c | c | | Cedar Waxwing | c | | r | c |
| Blue-headed Vireo | r | C | C | \mathbf{r} | Cour maxming | C | | 1 | C |
| Diac-ileaded vires | 1 | | | 1 | Wood Warblers | | | | |
| Jays and Crows | | | | | Tennessee Warbler | u | | | |
| Blue Jay | c | e | c | c | Orange-crowned Warbler | и | | r | r |
| American Crow | c a | c a | a | c a | Nashville Warbler | 17 | | 1 | r |
| Fish Crow | a c | a c | | | Northern Parula | u c | c | | |
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| Yellow Warbler | SP | S | F | W | Blackbirds and Allies | SP | S | F | W |
| Magnolia Warbler | 0 | | | | Bobolink | | | | |
| | r | | | | | 0 | | | |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler Black-throated Green Warbler | c | | c | a | Red-winged Blackbird Eastern Meadowlark | a | a | a | a |
| Yellow-throated Warbler | r | | | | Western Meadowlark | a | a | a | a |
| | r | | | | | r | | r | 0 |
| Pine Warbler Prairie Warbler | | | r | r | Yellow-headed Blackbird | r | | | |
| Prairie warbier Palm Warbler | c | c | | | Rusty Blackbird Brewer's Blackbird | \mathbf{r} | | | 0 |
| | | | r | r | | _ | _ | _ | u |
| Blackpoll Warbler | u | _ | | | Common Grackle | c | c | 0 | c |
| Black-and-White Warbler | c | c | | | Brown-headed Cowbird | a | a | c | c |
| American Redstart | r | | | | Orchard Oriole | c | c | | |
| Prothonotary Warbler | c | c | | | Baltimore Oriole | c | c | | |
| Swainson's Warbler | 0 | 0 | | | Finales | | | | |
| Ovenbird | u | | | | Finches | | | | |
| Northern Waterthrush | u | | | | Purple Finch | u | | | 0 |
| Louisiana Waterthrush | r | _ | | | House Finch | \mathbf{r} | | r | r |
| Kentucky Warbler | c | c | | | Pine Siskin | | | | r |
| Common Yellowthroat | c | c | u | | American Goldfinch | c | c | c | c |
| Hooded Warbler | \mathbf{r} | | | | Evening Grosbeak | | | | r |
| Wilson's Warbler | u | | | | 011111 110 | | | | |
| Yellow-breasted Chat | a | a | | | Old World Sparrows | | | | |
| Baybreasted Warbler | r | | | | House Sparrow | c | c | c | c |
| Worm-eating Warbler | \mathbf{r} | | | | | | | | |
| Morning Warbler | r | | | | Sighting Notes | | | | |
| Canada Warbler | r | | | | | | | | |
| Chestnut-sided Warbler | r | | | | Date | | | | |
| Blackburian Warbler | \mathbf{r} | | | | 2 **** | | | | |
| _ | | | | | Time | | | | |
| Tanagers | | | | | 1 time | | | | |
| Summer Tanager | \mathbf{c} | c | | | *** ** | | | | |
| Scarlet Tanager | r | | | | Weather | | | | |
| | | | | | 1 7 | | | | |
| New World Sparrows | | | | | No. of species | | | | |
| Eastern Towhee | a | a | 0 | 0 | | | | | |
| American Tree Sparrow | | | | 0 | Route or area | | | | |
| Chipping Sparrow | 0 | \mathbf{r} | | 0 | | | | | |
| Clay-colored Sparrow | r | | | | Observers | | | | |
| Field Sparrow | a | a | a | a | | | | | |
| Vesper Sparrow | O | | | 0 | Remarks | | | | |
| Lark Sparrow | u | u | | | | | | | |
| Savannah Sparrow | c | | c | a | | | | | |
| Grasshopper Sparrow | \mathbf{r} | | | | | | | | |
| Le Conte's Sparrow | | | | u | | | | | |
| Bachman's Sparrow | | \mathbf{r} | | | | | | | |
| Henslow's Sparrow | | | | \mathbf{r} | | | | | |
| Nelson's Sparrow | | | r | | | | | | |
| Fox Sparrow | | | 0 | c | | | | | |
| Song Sparrow | \mathbf{c} | | c | c | | | | | |
| Lincoln's Sparrow | u | | u | 0 | | | | | |
| Swamp Sparrow | 0 | | 0 | c | - | | | | |
| White-throated Sparrow | c | | c | a | | | | | |
| Harris' Sparrow | r | | | r | | | | | |
| White-crowned Sparrow | \mathbf{c} | | \mathbf{c} | a | | | | | |
| Dark-eyed Junco | u | | u | a | | | | | |
| Lapland Longspur | | | | u | | | | | |
| Cardinale Greekeeke and Allica | | | | | | | | | |
| Cardinals, Grosbeaks and Allies | | | | | | | | | |
| Northern Cardinal Rose-breasted Grosbeak | a | a | a | a | | | | | |
| | u | | | | | | | | |
| Blue Grosbeak | c | c | _ | | | | | | |
| Indigo Bunting | c | c | c | | | | | | |
| Painted Bunting | c | c | | | | | | | |
| Dickcissel | a | a | | | | | | | |
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