

NOTES

SPECIES	s	S	F	W	Hab
— Kentucky Warbler*					s
— Mourning Warbler			r		s
— Common Yellowthroat	c	c	u		s/M
— Hooded Warbler	r		r		s
— Wilson's Warbler	r		r		s
— Canada Warbler	u				s/M
— Yellow-breasted Chat	r		r		s
— Scarlet Tanager	u		r		D
— Western Tanager*					
— Eastern Towhee	u	u	u		G/s
— American Tree Sparrow	r			u	G/s
— Chipping Sparrow	a	a	c		x
— Field Sparrow	r		r		D/s
— Vesper Sparrow*					
— Lark Sparrow*					
— Savannah Sparrow	u		u		G/s
— Fox Sparrow	u		r	r	G/s
— Song Sparrow	a	a	a	c	s/G/D
— Lincoln's Sparrow	r		r		s/G
— Swamp Sparrow	u	r	r		M/s
— White-throated Sparrow	u		u	c	s/G/D
— White-crowned Sparrow	r		r		G/s
— Dark-eyed Junco	c		c	a	s/G/D
— Northern Cardinal	a	a	a	a	x
— Rose-breasted Grosbeak	u	u	u		D/C
— Indigo Bunting	u	u	u		S/D
— Snow Bunting*					
— Bobolink	u	u	r		G/s
— Red-winged Blackbird	a	a	c	r	M/D/G
— Eastern Meadowlark*					
— Rusty Blackbird	r		r		M/P
— Common Grackle	a	a	a	r	x
— Brown-headed Cowbird	c	c	u		x
— Orchard Oriole	u	u	r		D/S/C
— Baltimore Oriole	c	c	u		D/C
— Pine Grosbeak				r	C
— Purple Finch	r				D
— House Finch	c	c	c	c	s/G/D
— Common Redpoll*				r	C
— Red Crossbill				r	C
— White-winged Crossbill				r	C
— Pine Siskin				r	C
— American Goldfinch	c	a	a	c	x
— Evening Grosbeak*					
— House Sparrow	a	a	a	a	x

Unusual sightings may be reported to the Hunnewell Visitor Center or to arbweb@arnarb.harvard.edu or to Robert Mayer rgmayer@comcast.net.

The checklist was prepared in 2006 by Robert Mayer with contributions from several other local birders. Other sightings were obtained from lists compiled by C. E. Faxon (1895), Richard Weaver (1971) and Miriam Dickey (1976). List updated in 2018.

Downy Woodpecker image by Robert Mayer.

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BIRDS OF THE ARNOLD ARBORETUM



This checklist includes 188 species of birds that have been recorded over the past century within the 281 acres of the Arnold Arboretum.

- ♦ Birds that have not been seen in recent years and may no longer be present are marked with an asterisk (*).
- ♦ Species known to have bred in the Arboretum within recent years are in **Boldface**.
- ♦ Species more often heard than seen are marked with an (h) following their name.

Seasons

- s – Spring (March-May)
- S – Summer (June- August)
- F – Fall (September-November)
- W – Winter (December- February)

Abundance

- a – abundant, easily observed
- c – common, likely to be seen
- u – uncommon, seen only occasionally
- r – rare, not seen every year

Habitat

- A – aerial/fly over
- D – deciduous woods
- C – coniferous areas
- s – shrubs/bushy areas
- G – grass/fields
- M – marshy areas
- P – ponds
- x – anywhere



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SPECIES	s	S	F	W	Hab
— Common Loon			r	r	A
— Double-crested Cormorant	u	r	r		A/P
— American Bittern*					
— Great Blue Heron	u	u	u		P
— Great Egret	r				P
— Green Heron	u	u			P
— Black-crowned Night-Heron	r	r			P
— Turkey Vulture	u	c	u		A
— Snow Goose				r	A
— Canada Goose	u	c	u	u	P
— Mute Swan	r				A
— Wood Duck	u	r	r		M/P
— Gadwall	r				P
— American Black Duck	r	r			P
— Mallard	u	c	u	u	A/P/M
— Northern Pintail*					
— Hooded Merganser			r	r	P
— Common Merganser*					
— Osprey		r	r		A
— Bald Eagle	r	r	r	r	A
— Sharp-shinned Hawk	u	u	r		C/D/A
— Cooper's Hawk	u	u	c	u	A/C/D
— Northern Goshawk*					
— Red-shouldered Hawk*					
— Broad-winged Hawk	r		r		
— Red-tailed Hawk	c	c	c	c	X
— Rough-legged Hawk*					
— American Kestrel	r	r	r	r	A/M
— Merlin	r	r	r		A/D
— Peregrine Falcon*					
— Ring-necked Pheasant*					
— Ruffed Grouse*					
— Wild Turkey	u	u	u	u	C/D/G
— Northern Bobwhite*					
— Semipalmated Plover*					
— Killdeer	r				
— Lesser Yellowlegs*					
— Solitary Sandpiper	r	r			P/M
— Spotted Sandpiper	r	r			P
— Semipalmated Sandpiper*					
— Wilson's Snipe	r		r		M
— American Woodcock	u	u			M/G
— Ring-billed Gull	u	u	u	u	A
— Herring Gull	u	u	u	u	A
— Great Black-backed Gull	r	r	r	r	A
— Rock Pigeon	u	u	u	u	A/G
— Mourning Dove	a	a	a	a	X
— Black-billed Cuckoo	r	r			D
— Yellow-billed Cuckoo	r	r			D

SPECIES	s	S	F	W	Hab
— Barn Owl*					
— Eastern Screech-Owl h	u		r	r	D/C/M
— Great Horned Owl h	r			r	C
— Snowy Owl*					
— Barred Owl			r	r	C/D
— Long-eared Owl*					
— Northern Saw-whet Owl*					
— Common Nighthawk	u	r	u		A
— Chimney Swift	c	c	c		A
— Ruby-throated Hummingbird	u	u			D/S
— Belted Kingfisher	r		r		P
— Red-bellied Woodpecker	c	u	u	r	D
— Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	u		u	r	C
— Downy Woodpecker	c	c	c	c	X
— Hairy Woodpecker	r	r	r	r	D
— Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker*					
— Northern Flicker	u	c	c	r	D/C/G
— Pileated Woodpecker*					
— Olive-sided Flycatcher	r				D
— Eastern Wood-Pewee h	u	c			D
— Willow Flycatcher	r	u	r		D/S
— Least Flycatcher	r	r			D/S
— Eastern Phoebe	c	c	u		S/D
— Great Crested Flycatcher	c	c	u		D
— Western Kingbird			r		D
— Eastern Kingbird	c	a	c		D/S
— Northern Shrike*				r	D/S
— White-eyed Vireo*					
— Blue-headed Vireo	u	u	u		D/S
— Yellow-throated Vireo	r				D
— Warbling Vireo h	c	c	u		D
— Philadelphia Vireo*					
— Red-eyed Vireo h	u	c	u		D
— Blue Jay	c	c	c	c	X
— American Crow	c	c	c	c	X
— Fish Crow h	r	r	r	r	A
— Common Raven				r	A/C
— Purple Martin*					
— Tree Swallow	c	c			A/M
— N. Rough-winged Swallow*					
— Bank Swallow*					
— Barn Swallow	r	r			A/M
— Cliff Swallow*					
— Black-capped Chickadee	a	a	a	a	X
— Boreal Chickadee*					
— Tufted Titmouse	a	c	a	a	X
— Red-breasted Nuthatch	r	r	u	u	C
— White-breasted Nuthatch	a	c	a	a	D/C
— Brown Creeper	r	r	r	r	C/D

SPECIES	s	S	F	W	Hab
— Carolina Wren h	u	u	u	u	S/D
— House Wren h	c	u	r		S/D
— Winter Wren	r		r	r	M/S
— Golden-crowned Kinglet	r		r	u	S/D/C
— Ruby-crowned Kinglet	u		r	r	S/D/C
— Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	r		r		S/D
— Eastern Bluebird	u	u			G
— Veery	u	r			D/S
— Gray-cheeked Thrush*					
— Swainson's Thrush	r				D
— Hermit Thrush	c	u	u	r	S/D/G
— Wood Thrush h	u	u			D/S
— American Robin	a	a	a	u	X
— Gray Catbird	a	a	a		X
— Northern Mockingbird	c	c	c	u	X
— Brown Thrasher	u	u			D/S/G
— European Starling	a	a	a	a	X
— American Pipit*					
— Cedar Waxwing	u	c	c	u	D/C
— Blue-winged Warbler	u	r			S/D
— Golden-winged Warbler*					
— Brewster's Warbler*					
— Tennessee Warbler	r		r		D
— Orange-crowned Warbler	r		r	r	S/D
— Nashville Warbler	u		r		D/S
— Northern Parula	c	r	u		D/S
— Yellow Warbler	a	a	u		M/S/D
— Chestnut-sided Warbler	u	r	r		D/C/S
— Magnolia Warbler	u	r	r		D/S
— Cape May Warbler*					
— Yellow-rumped Warbler	c		u	u	D/S
— Black-throated Blue Warbler	u		u		S/D
— Black-throated Green Warbler	c	u	u		D
— Blackburnian Warbler	u		r		D
— Yellow-throated Warbler*					
— Pine Warbler	u	u	u		C/D
— Prairie Warbler	r		r		S
— Palm Warbler	c	u	u		S/G
— Bay-breasted Warbler	r		r		D
— Blackpoll Warbler	u		c		D
— Black-and-white Warbler	u	r	u	r	D/C
— American Redstart	c	u	u		D/S/C
— Worm-eating Warbler	r		r		D
— Ovenbird h	u	r	r		M/S/D
— Northern Waterthrush	u		r		M/S
— Louisiana Waterthrush*					