

SPECIES	s	S	F	W	Hab
— Kentucky Warbler*					s
— Connecticut Warbler			r		s
— Mourning Warbler			r		s
— <b>Common Yellowthroat</b>	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*					
— <b>Eastern Towhee</b>	u	u	u		G/s
— American Tree Sparrow	r			u	G/s
— <b>Chipping Sparrow</b>	a	a	c	r	x
— Field Sparrow	r		r		D/s
— Vesper Sparrow*					
— Lark Sparrow*					
— Savannah Sparrow	u		u		G/s
— Fox Sparrow	u		r	r	G/s
— <b>Song Sparrow</b>	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
— <b>Northern Cardinal</b>	a	a	a	a	x
— <b>Rose-breasted Grosbeak</b>	u	u	u		D/C
— <b>Indigo Bunting</b>	u	u	u		S/D
— Snow Bunting*					
— Dickcissel			r	r	A/s
— <b>Bobolink</b>	u	u	r		G/s
— <b>Red-winged Blackbird</b>	a	a	c	r	M/D/G
— Eastern Meadowlark*					
— Rusty Blackbird	r		r		M/P
— <b>Common Grackle</b>	a	a	a	r	x
— <b>Brown-headed Cowbird</b>	c	c	u		x
— <b>Orchard Oriole</b>	u	u	r		D/S/C
— <b>Baltimore Oriole</b>	c	c	u		D/C
— Pine Grosbeak				r	C
— Purple Finch	r				D
— <b>House Finch</b>	c	c	c	c	s/G/D
— Common Redpoll				r	C
— Red Crossbill				r	C
— White-winged Crossbill				r	C
— Pine Siskin				r	C
— <b>American Goldfinch</b>	a	a	a	c	x
— Evening Grosbeak	r				C
— <b>House Sparrow</b>	a	a	a	a	x
— Purple Finch				r	C
— White-winged Crossbill				r	

## NOTES

*Unusual sightings may be reported to the Hummewell 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 2014.

Downy Woodpecker image by Robert Mayer.

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# BIRDS OF THE ARNOLD ARBORETUM



**This checklist includes 187 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
___ <b>Green Heron</b>	u	u			P
___ Black-crowned Night-Heron					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
___ American Black Duck	r	r	r		P
___ <b>Mallard</b>	u	c	u	u	A/P/M
___ Northern Pintail			r	r	P
___ 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
___ <b>Cooper's Hawk</b>	u	u	c	u	A/C/D
___ Northern Goshawk*					
___ Red-shouldered Hawk*					
___ Broad-winged Hawk	r	r			A/D
___ <b>Red-tailed Hawk</b>	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*	r		r		M/G
___ 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*					
___ Common 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
___ <b>Rock Pigeon</b>	u	u	u	u	A/G
___ <b>Mourning Dove</b>	a	a	a	a	X
___ Black-billed Cuckoo	r	r			D
___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo	r	r			D
___ Barn Owl*					

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

SPECIES	s	S	F	W	Hab
___ <b>Carolina Wren h</b>	u	u	u	u	S/D
___ <b>House Wren h</b>	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
___ <b>Eastern Bluebird</b>	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
___ <b>Wood Thrush h</b>	u	u			D/S
___ <b>American Robin</b>	a	a	a	u	X
___ <b>Gray Catbird</b>	a	a	a		X
___ <b>Northern Mockingbird</b>	c	c	c	u	X
___ <b>Brown Thrasher</b>	u	u	r		D/S/G
___ <b>European Starling</b>	a	a	a	a	X
___ American Pipit*					
___ Bohemian Waxwing	r				D/G
___ Cedar Waxwing	u	c	c	u	D/C
___ <b>Blue-winged Warbler</b>	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
___ <b>Yellow Warbler</b>	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	r		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*					
___ <b>Pine Warbler</b>	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 h	c	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
___ <b>Ovenbird h</b>	u	r	r		M/S/D
___ Northern Waterthrush	u	r			M/S
___ Louisiana Waterthrush	r				M/P