



Come to the Oakland County Parks, where more than 100 species of birds have been observed! Visiting the parks and walking the trails at different times of the year can offer new and rewarding experiences in bird watching.

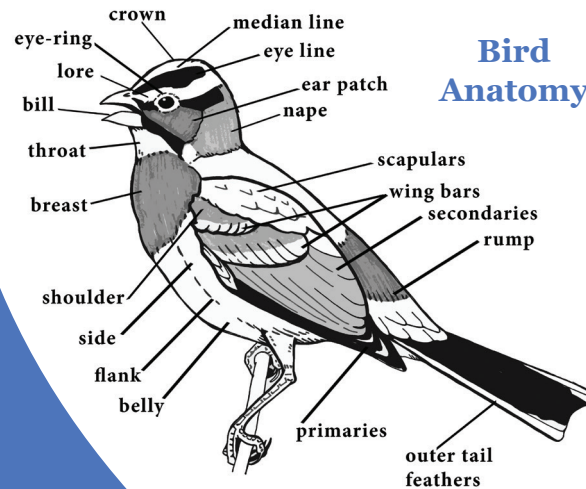
Oakland County Parks manages nearly 7,000 acres of open space within its 14 parks. These natural areas provide an opportunity to see a wide variety of birds. Bird watching, also known as birding, is one of the fastest-growing outdoor activities in the United States. Use the checklist inside to track the birds that you see at. Oakland County Parks partners with Oakland County Planning and Economic Development in the county's Green Infrastructure vision.

Many different species of birds can be found in the region, but some skill is required to identify them. Small birds can be concealed in vegetation. Some species may be seen only in spring and fall on migration to and from their nesting grounds. Others are found only in winter, while some remain year-round.

Knowing bird anatomy will help you focus on field marks to identify what you are seeing. Look closely and note colors and patterns—these will help you learn the identity of the bird you are watching.

The Oakland Audubon Society, a chapter of Michigan Audubon, contributed to updating this list. The checklist is consistent with the *American Ornithologists' Union, 7th Edition* and aligns with the *Michigan Bird Records Committee Checklist, Version 10*.

Wood Warblers represent a larger family of birds unique to the Americas. These brightly colored birds are highly migratory.



Bird Anatomy



Please report any other species so this checklist can be updated.

The Oakland Audubon Society partners with Oakland County Parks bird conservation.

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ADDISON OAKS

W. Romeo Road,
Leonard

CATALPA OAKS

Greenfield Road,
Southfield

GROVELAND OAKS

Dixie Highway,
Holly

HIGHLAND OAKS

N. Milford Road,
Highland

INDEPENDENCE OAKS

Sashabaw Road,
Clarkston

LYON OAKS

Pontiac Trail,
Wixom

ORION OAKS

Clarkston Road,
Lake Orion

RED OAKS

13 Mile Road,
Madison Heights

ROSE OAKS

Fish Lake Road,
Holly

SPRINGFIELD OAKS

Andersonville Road,
Davisburg

WATERFORD OAKS

Scott Lake Road,
Waterford

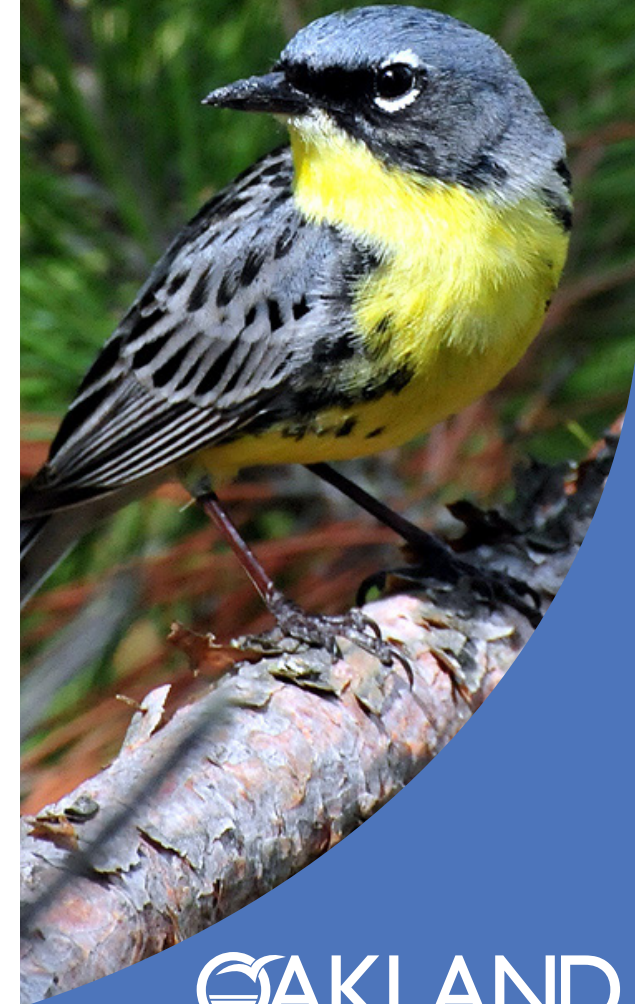
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A Checklist of BIRDS in Oakland County



**OAKLAND
COUNTY PARKS**

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Horned Grebe	
Cormorants	
Double-crested Cormorant	
Herons and Relatives	
American Bittern SC	
Least Bittern T	
Great Blue Heron	
Great Egret	
Green Heron	
Black-crowned Night-Heron SC	
Vultures, Hawks & Eagles	
Turkey Vulture	
Osprey SC	
Bald Eagle SC	
Northern Harrier SC	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	
Cooper's Hawk	
Northern Goshawk T	
Red-shouldered Hawk SC	
Broad-winged Hawk	
Red-tailed Hawk	
Falcons	
American Kestrel	
Peregrine Falcon T	
Rails & Cranes	
Yellow Rail T	
Virginia Rail	
Sora	
American Coot	
Sandhill Crane	
Common Gallinule T	
Plovers	
Killdeer	
Semipalmated Plover	
Sandpipers	
Spotted Sandpiper	
Solitary Sandpiper	
Least Sandpiper	
Pectoral Sandpiper	
Wilson's Snipe	
American Woodcock	
Upland Sandpiper T	
Gulls	
Bonaparte's Gull	
Ring-billed Gull	
Herring Gull	
Glaucous Gull	
Great Black-backed Gull	

Doves	
Rock Pigeon*	
Mourning Dove	
Cuckoos	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	
Black-billed Cuckoo	
Owls	
Eastern Screech-Owl	
Great Horned Owl	
Snowy Owl	
Barred Owl	
Northern Saw-whet Owl	
Nighthawks & Nightjars	
Common Nighthawk SC	
Eastern Whip-poor-will T	
Swifts and Hummingbirds	
Chimney Swift	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	
Kingfishers	
Belted Kingfisher	
Woodpeckers	
Red-headed Woodpecker SC	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	
Downy Woodpecker	
Hairy Woodpecker	
Northern Flicker	
Pileated Woodpecker	
Flycatchers	
Eastern Wood-Pewee	
Acadian Flycatcher	
Alder Flycatcher	
Willow Flycatcher	
Least Flycatcher	
Eastern Phoebe	
Great Crested Flycatcher	
Eastern Kingbird	
Olive-sided Flycatcher	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	
Shrikes	
Northern Shrike	
Vireos	
Yellow-throated Vireo	
Blue-headed Vireo	
Warbling Vireo	
Red-eyed Vireo	
White-eyed Vireo	
Philadelphia vireo	

Crows & Jays	
Blue Jay	
American Crow	
Common Raven	
Larks	
Horned Lark	
Swallows	
Purple Martin	
Tree Swallow	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	
Bank Swallow	
Cliff Swallow	
Barn Swallow	
Chickadees & Titmice	
Black-capped Chickadee	
Tufted Titmouse	
Nuthatches	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	
White-breasted Nuthatch	
Creepers	
Brown Creeper	
Wrens	
Carolina Wren	
House Wren	
Winter Wren	
Sedge Wren SC	
Marsh Wren SC	
Gnatcatchers	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	
Kinglets	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	
Thrushes	
Eastern Bluebird	
Veery	
Gray-cheeked Thrush	
Swainson's Thrush	
Hermit Thrush	
Wood Thrush SC	
American Robin	
Mockingbirds & Thrashers	
Gray Catbird	
Northern Mockingbird	
Brown Thrasher	
European Starling	
European Starling*	
Waxwings	
Bohemian Waxwing	
Cedar Waxwing	

Buntings	
Snow Bunting	
Wood Warblers	
Ovenbird	
Louisiana Waterthrush T	
Golden-winged Warbler T	
Blue-winged Warbler	
Black-and-white Warbler	
Prothonotary Warbler SC	
Tennessee Warbler	
Orange-crowned Warbler	
Nashville Warbler	
Connecticut Warbler SC	
Mourning Warbler	
Common Yellowthroat	
American Redstart	
Cape May Warbler	
Cerulean Warbler T	
Northern Parula	
Magnolia Warbler	
Bay-breasted Warbler	
Blackburnian Warbler	
Yellow Warbler	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	
Blackpoll Warbler	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	
Palm Warbler	
Pine Warbler	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	
Black-throated Green Warbler	
Canada Warbler	
Wilson's Warbler	
Hooded Warbler SC	
Kentucky Warbler	
Kirtland's Warbler E	
Northern Waterthrush	
Orange-crowned Warbler	
Prairie Warbler SC	
Worm-eating Warbler	
Sparrows	
Eastern Towhee	
American Tree Sparrow	
Chipping Sparrow	
Field Sparrow	
Vesper Sparrow	
Savannah Sparrow	
Grasshopper Sparrow SC	
Henslow's Sparrow E	
Fox Sparrow	

Song Sparrow	
Lincoln's Sparrow	
Swamp Sparrow	
White-throated Sparrow	
White-crowned Sparrow	
Dark-eyed Junco	
Cardinals & All	
Scarlet Tanager	
Northern Cardinal	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	
Indigo Bunting	
Dickcissel SC	
Summer Tanager	
Blackbirds	
Bobolink	
Red-winged Blackbird	
Eastern Meadowlark SC	
Rusty Blackbird	
Brewer's Blackbird	
Common Grackle	
Brown-headed Cowbird	
Orchard Oriole	
Baltimore Oriole	
Finches	
Purple Finch	
House Finch*	
Red Crossbill	
Common Redpoll	
Hoary Redpoll	
Pine Siskin	
American Goldfinch	
House Sparrow	
House Sparrow*	

Other:

State Status Rank Key:

E = Endangered

T = Threatened

SC = Special Concern

* = Non-Native