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## Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area 4564 Leatherwood Road Oneida, Tennessee 37841



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|-------------------------|--------|------|----|----|----|----|--------------------------|---------|------|------------|----|----|----|
| Solitary Vireo          | SR* (  | G/P  | fc | fc | fc |    | ☐ Canada Warbler         | Tr      | v    | u          |    | vu |    |
| Yellow-throated Vireo   | SR*    |      | u  | u  | u  |    | ☐ Yellow-breasted Chat   | SR* O   | u    | . 1        | u  | u  |    |
| Philadelphia Vireo      | Tr     |      | vu |    | vu |    | ☐ Summer Tanager         | SR*     | V    | u '        | vu | vu |    |
| Red-eyed Vireo          | SR*    |      | a  | a  | c  |    | Scarlet Tanager          | SR*     | C    |            | С  | fc |    |
| Blue-winged Warbler     | Tr     |      | u  |    | vu |    | ☐ Northern Cardinal      | PR*     | f    | C :        | fc | fc | fc |
| Golden-winged Warbler   | Tr     |      | vu |    | vu |    | ☐ Rose-breasted Grosbeak |         | u    | l          |    | u  |    |
| Tennessee Warbler       | Tr     |      | u  |    | u  |    | ☐ Blue Grosbeak          | VI O    | v    | u '        | vu |    |    |
| Orange-cr. Warbler      | Tr     |      | vu |    | vu |    | ☐ Indigo Bunting         | SR*     | C    |            | С  | fc |    |
| Northern Parula         | SR*    |      | fc | fc | fc |    | ☐ Rufous-sided Towhee    | PR*     | f    |            | fc | fc | u  |
| Yellow Warbler          | SR*    | 4    | u  | u  | vu |    | ☐ Chipping Sparrow       | SR* O   | f    | C 1        | fc | fc | νu |
| Chestnut-sided Warbler  | Tr     |      | u  |    | u  |    | ☐ Field Sparrow          | PR* O   | u    | . 1        | u  | u  | u  |
| Magnolia Warbler        | Tr     |      | u  |    | u  |    | ☐ Vesper Sparrow         | VI O    |      |            |    |    | νι |
| Cape May Warbler        | Tr     |      | u  |    | vu |    | ☐ Savannah Sparrow       | VI O    |      |            |    |    | νι |
| Black-thr. Blue Warbler | Tr     |      | vu |    | vu |    | ☐ Fox Sparrow            | WR      | v    | u          |    | u  | νι |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler   | WR     |      | fc |    | fc | u  | ☐ Song Sparrow           | PR*     | u    | . 1        | u  | fc | fc |
|                         | SR* (  | G/P  | c  | С  | c  | -  | Swamp Sparrow            | WR      | u    |            |    | u  | u  |
| Blackburnian Warbler    | Tr     |      | u  |    | u  |    | ☐ White-throated Sparrow | WR      | u    |            |    | u  | u  |
| Yellow-throated Warbler | SR*    |      | fc | fc | fc |    | ☐ White-crowned Sparrow  | WR      | v    | u          |    | vu | νι |
| Pine Warbler            | PR* I  |      | c  | c  | c  | vu | ☐ Dark-eyed Junco        | WR      | f    | С          |    | fc | fc |
| Prairie Warbler         | SR* (  |      | u  | u  | u  |    | ☐ Bobolink               | Vi O    | v    | u          |    |    |    |
| Palm Warbler            | Tr     |      | и  | -  | и  |    | Red-winged Blackbird     | SR* A   | f    | <b>c</b> : | fc | fc |    |
| Bay-breasted Warbler    | Tr     |      | u  |    | u  |    | ☐ Eastern Meadowlark     | PR* O   | f    | <b>c</b> : | fc | fc | u  |
| Blackpoll Warbler       |        | G    | vu |    | -  |    | ☐ Common Grackle         | PR*     | u    | . 1        | u  | u  | u  |
| Cerulean Warbler        | SR*    |      | u  | u  | и  |    | ☐ Brown-headed Cowbird   | SR*     | u    | . 1        | u  | u  |    |
| Black-and-white Warbler |        | G    | fc | fc | fc |    | Orchard Oriole           | SR* O   | u    | . 1        | u  | vu |    |
| American Redstart       | SR* (  |      | u  | u  | u  |    | ☐ Northern Oriole        | SR      | v    | u '        | vu | vu |    |
| Prothonotary Warbler    | SR     | _    | vu | vu | vu |    | ☐ Purple Finch           | WR      | v    | u          |    | vu | vu |
| Worm-eating Warbler     | SR** ( | G    | fc | fc | fc |    | ☐ House Finch            | PR      | v    | u '        | vu | vu | vu |
| worm-eating warbier     | 010    | •    |    | 10 | 10 |    | Red Crossbill            | VI P    |      |            |    |    | r  |
|                         |        |      |    |    |    |    | ☐ Pine Siskin            | W       | v    | u          |    | vu | vu |
|                         |        |      |    |    |    |    | American Goldfinch       | PR*     | u    | . 1        | u  | u  | u  |
| Carling &               | 6 0    | 200  |    |    |    |    | Evening Grosbeak         | WR      | r    |            |    |    | r  |
|                         |        |      |    |    |    |    | House Sparrow            | PR*     | u    |            | u  | u  | u  |

Dr. Stephen J. Stedman (Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, Tennessee) provided much of the information in the preceding checklist.

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☐ Northern Waterthrush TR G vu ☐ Louisiana Waterthrush SR\* G u

☐ Swainson's Warbler

☐ Kentucky Warbler ☐ Common Yellowthroat

☐ Hooded Warbler

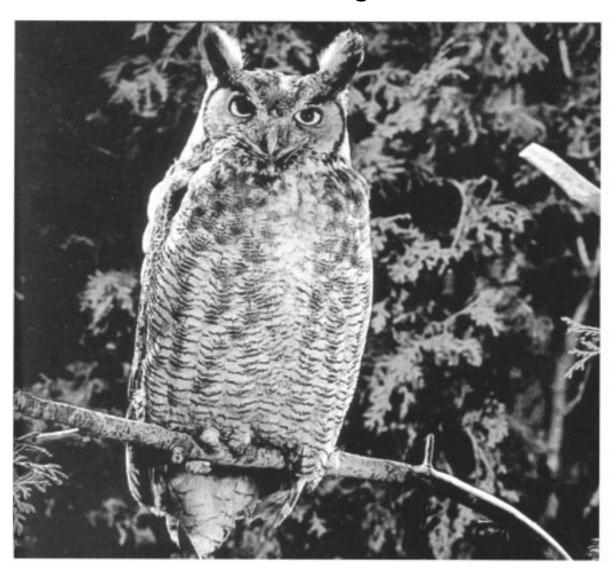
☐ Ovenbird

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# A Checklist of Birds in the Big South Fork



The Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area is comprised of an area of about 125,000 acres located in McCreary County, Kentucky, and Fentress, Morgan, Pickett, and Scott counties, Tennessee. It was established in 1974 to provide protection for the watershed of the Big South Fork of the Cumberland River and the many fine natural features found nearby.

About 160 species of birds have been recorded within the Big South Fork NRRA during the past two decades. Prior to the establishment of the National Area, some species of birds occurred within its present-day boundaries or nearby, but they have not been recorded since. The following species may one day be recorded in the area again, but they are not expected at this time: Golden Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Red-cockaded Woodpecker, Common Raven, Bewick's Wren.

The National Area is especially rich as a haven for species of Neotropical migrant birds. Neotropical migrants, indicated by boldfacing in the checklist, are species that breed in North America and then migrate to the tropical regions of Central and South America to spend the northern winter. Some birds may be termed partial Neotropical migrants; that is, a portion of their population migrates to the tropics for the winter, but a large fraction winters in the southern parts of North America. Italics in the checklist indicate partial Neotropical migrants.

Some species of Neotropical migrants are currently undergoing population declines throughout their ranges as a result of the effects of forest fragmentation and clear cutting. Protecting large tracts of mature forest may be the best means of ensuring the survival of these species.

If you encounter species of birds not on the park checklist, please send information about when and where you noted them to the Park Headquarters (Attn: Chief of Resource Management, BSFNRRA, 4564 Leatherwood Road, Oneida, TN 37841).

#### **Status Codes**

| PR  | Permanent Residen |
|-----|-------------------|
| SR  | Summer Resident   |
| WR  | Winter Resident   |
| т., | Tuonsiant         |

Vi Visitor (no pattern to occurrence)

Asterisks indicate confirmed (\*\*) and highly probable (\*) breeding in the area.

#### **Abundance Codes**

a Abundant (26+ likely to be seen/heard in appropriate habitat in one day)

c Common (II-25 likely to be seen/heard in appropriate habitat in one day)

fc Fairly Common (3-10 likely to be seen/heard in appropriate habitat in one day)

u Uncommon (I-2 likely to be seen/heard in appropriate habitat in one day)

vu Very uncommon (I to 5 records during a season likely)

r Rare (only I-3 records ever made)

#### Seasons of Occurrence

| Sp | Spring (March-May)        |
|----|---------------------------|
| Su | Summer (June-July)        |
| Fa | Fall (August-November)    |
| W  | Winter (December-February |

#### **Habitat Obligates and Generalists**

Some species breeding in or migrating through the Big South Fork are often habitat obligates, that is, their occurrence is often restricted to certain habitats found within the area, while other species are habitat generalists and may be found in a wide variety of habitats within the area. The following codes are used to indicate the preferences of species with habitat restrictions:

- G Largely confined to the gorge of the Big South Fork and its tributaries.
- A Usually associated with aquatic habitats, such as rivers, lakes and ponds.
- P Usually associated with upland pine forests.
- O Usually associated with open habitats, such as old fields, pastures, homesteads, and recently developed areas

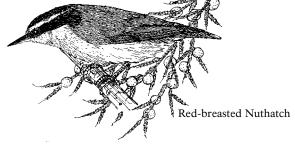
### **Field Information**

The following space is provided for those wishing to keep a record of their Big South Fork birding experience.

| Date Time        | A | Afield             |
|------------------|---|--------------------|
| Observer(s)      |   |                    |
| Sky/Wind/Temp    |   | Γotal # Species——— |
| Places Visited - |   |                    |
| Notes —          |   |                    |
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| Species :              | Status | Hab. | Sp | Su   | F  | W  |
|------------------------|--------|------|----|------|----|----|
| Common Loon            | Vi     | A    | r  |      |    |    |
| Pied-billed Grebe      | Vi     | Α    | vu |      | vu | r  |
| Great Blue Heron       | PR     | A    | u  | u    | u  | vu |
| Green Heron            | SR*    | A    | vu | vu   | vu |    |
| Canada Goose           | PR     | A    | vu | vu   | vu | νι |
| Wood Duck              | SR*    | A    | u  | u    | u  |    |
| Mallard                | Vi     | A    | vu |      | vu | vu |
| Blue-winged Teal       | Tr     | A    | vu |      | vu |    |
| Northern Shoveler      | Tr     | A    | vu |      | vu |    |
| Black Vulture          | PR     |      | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Turkev Vulture         | PR     |      | fc | fc   | fc | fc |
| Oshrey                 | Tr     | A    | vu |      | vu |    |
| Bald Eagle             | VI     | G    |    |      |    | vu |
| Northern Harrier       | WR     | O    | vu |      | vu | vu |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk     | PR**   | P    | vu | vu   | vu | vu |
| Cooper's Hawk          | PR     |      | vu | vu   | vu | vu |
| Red-shouldered Hawk    | PR**   | Α    | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Broad-winged Hawk      | SR*    |      | u  | u    | u  |    |
| Red-tailed Hawk        | PR*    |      | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| American Kestrel       | PR     | O    | vu | vu   | vu | vu |
| Ruffed Grouse          | PR*    |      | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Wild Turkey            | PR**   |      | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Northern Bobwhite      | PR     | O    | vu | vu   | vu | vu |
| Sandhill Crane         | Tr     | 0    | vu | ٧u   | vu | ٧u |
| Killdeer               | PR*    | O    | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Solitary Sandpiper     | Tr     | A    | vu | u    | vu | u  |
| Spotted Sandpiper      | Tr     | A    | vu |      | vu |    |
| Common Snipe           | WR     | A    | vu |      | vu | vu |
| American Woodcock      | PR**   | П    |    | **** |    |    |
| Rock Dove              | PR*    |      | vu | vu   | vu | vu |
| Mourning Dove          | PR*    |      | vu | vu   | vu | vu |
| Black-billed Cuckoo    | Tr     |      | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Yellow-billed Cuckoo   | SR*    |      | vu |      | vu |    |
| Eastern Screech-Owl    | PR*    |      | u  | u    | u  |    |
|                        |        |      | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Great Horned Owl       | PR*    | 0    | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Barred Owl             | PR*    | G    | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Common Nighthawk       | Tr     |      | vu | c-   | vu |    |
| Whip-poor-will         | SR*    |      | fc | fc   | u  |    |
| Chimney Swift          | SR*    |      | u  | u    | u  |    |
| Ruby-thr. Hummingbi    |        |      | u  | u    | u  |    |
| Belted Kingfisher      | PR*    | A    | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Red-headed Woodpeck    | er PR  |      | vu | vu   | vu | vu |
| Red-bellied Woodpecke  |        |      | u  | u    | u  | u  |
| Yellow-bellied Sapsuck | er W/R |      | u  |      | u  | u  |

| Species               | Status | Hab. Sp | Su | ŀ  | W  |  |
|-----------------------|--------|---------|----|----|----|--|
| ☐ Downy Woodpecker    | PR*    | u       | u  | u  | u  |  |
| Hairy Woodpecker      | PR*    | fc      | fc | fc | fc |  |
| Northern Flicker      | PR*    | u       | u  | u  | u  |  |
| ☐ Pileated Woodpecker | PR*    | fc      | fc | fc | fc |  |
| Olive-sided Flycatche | r Tr   |         | vu |    | vu |  |
| ☐ Eastern Wood-Pewee  | SR*    | u       | u  | u  |    |  |
| ☐ Acadian Flycatcher  | SR**   | G fc    | fc | fc |    |  |
| Least Flycatcher      | Tr     | vu      |    | vu |    |  |
| ☐ Eastern Phoebe      | PR*    | A u     | u  | u  | vu |  |
|                       |        |         |    |    |    |  |



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|---|-------------------------|--|---|----|----|----|----|
|   | Great Cr. Flycatcher    | SR*  |   | u  | u  | u  |    |
|   | Eastern Kingbird        | SR*  | O | fc | fc | u  |    |
|   | Purple Martin           | SR   |   | vu | vu | vu |    |
|   | Tree Swallow            | Tr   |   | vu |    | vu |    |
|   | N. Rough-winged Swallow | $SR^*$   | A | u  | и  | и  |    |
|   | Bank Swallow            | Tr   |   | vu |    | vu |    |
|   | Barn Swallow            | SR**   | O | u  | u  | u  |    |
|   | Blue Jay                | PR*  |   | fc | fc | fc | fc |
|   | American Crow           | PR*  |   | fc | fc | fc | fc |
|   | Carolina Chickadee      | PR*  |   | c  | C  | c  | c  |
|   | Tufted Titmouse         | PR*  |   | fc | fc | fc | fc |
|   | Red-breasted Nuthatch   | WR   | P | vu |    | vu | vu |
|   | White-breasted Nuthatch | PR*  |   | fc | fc | fc | fc |
|   | Brown Creeper           | WR   |   | u  |    | u  | u  |
|   | Carolina Wren           | PR*  |   | u  | u  | u  | u  |
|   | House Wren              | Tr   |   | vu |    | vu |    |
|   | Winter Wren             | WR   | G | u  |    | u  | u  |
|   | Golden-crowned Kinglet  | WR   | P | c  |    | c  | c  |
|   | Ruby-crowned Kinglet    | WR   |   | u  |    | u  | vu |
|   | Blue-gray Gnatcatcher   | SR*  |   | fc | fc | u  |    |
|   | Eastern Bluebird        | PR**   | O | fc | fc | fc | fc |
|   | Veery                   | Tr   |   | vu |    | vu |    |
|   | Gray-cheeked Thrush     | Tr   |   | vu |    | vu |    |
|   | Swainson's Thrush       | Tr   |   | u  |    | u  |    |
|   | Hermit Thrush           | WR   |   | u  |    | u  | u  |
|   | Wood Thrush             | SR*  |   | fc | fc | fc |    |
|   | American Robin          | PR*  | O | fc | fc | u  | u  |
|   | Gray Catbird            | SR*  |   | u  | u  | u  |    |
| _ | Brown Thrasher          | PR*  | O | u  | u  | u  | vu |
|   | Northern Mockingbird    | PR*  | O | vu | vu | vu | vu |
| _ | Cedar Waxwing           | PR   |   | u  | u  | u  | u  |
|   | Loggerhead Shrike       | Vi   | O | vu | vu | vu | vu |
|   | European Starling       | PR*  |   | u  | u  | u  | u  |
|   | White-eyed Vireo        | $SR^*$   | O | и  | u  | и  |    |