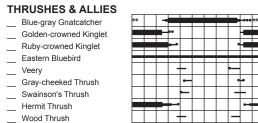
JFMAMJJASOND SWALLOWS __ Purple Martin Tree Swallow __ N. Rough-winged Swallow __ Bank Swallow __ Cliff Swallow Cave Swallow Barn Swallow TITMICE __ Carolina Chickadee __ Tufted Titmouse **NUTHATCHES** __ Red-breasted Nuthatch __ Brown-headed Nuthatch **CREEPERS** • __ Brown Creeper WRENS Carolina Wren __ House Wren __ Winter Wren _ Sedge Wren __ Marsh Wren Golden-crowned Kinglet



__ American Robin **MIMICS** Gray Catbird Northern Mockingbird __ Brown Thrasher **STARLINGS** __ European Starling

PIPITS	
American Pipit	**************************************
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LONGSPUR & SNOW BUNTING	
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Snow Bunting	000000 00



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Blue-winged Warbler __ Golden-winged Warbler

__ Tennessee Warbler

__ Nashville Warbler

__ Northern Parula __ Yellow Warbler

__ Magnolia Warbler

Cape May Warbler

Orange-crowned Warbler

__ Chestnut-sided Warbler

Black-throated Blue Warbler __ Yellow-rumped Warbler

Black-throated Green Warbler

Blackburnian Warbler

Yellow-throated Warbler

__ Bay-breasted Warbler

Black-and-white Warbler

__ Blackpoll Warbler

__ American Redstart

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__ Worm-eating Warbler Ovenbird

__ Northern Waterthrush

Mourning Warbler

_ Hooded Warbler

__ Wilson's Warbler

_ Canada Warbler

Common Yellowthroat

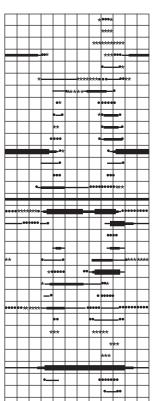
__ Yellow-breasted Chat

__ Kentucky Warbler Connecticut Warbler

__ Pine Warbler

__ Palm Warbler

__ Prairie Warbler



SPARROWS & ALLIES





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_	Vesper Sparrow
_	Lark Sparrow

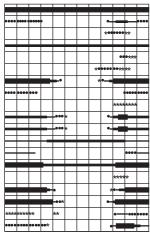


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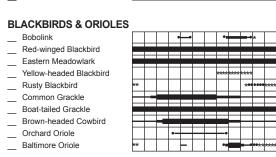
- Fox Sparrow Song Sparrow
- __ Lincoln's Sparrow __ Swamp Sparrow
- __ White-throated Sparrow __ White-crowned Sparrow
- __ Dark-eyed Junco



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__ House Sparrow



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House Finch											
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FIELD NOTES

VERY RARE /ACCIDENTAL SPECIES

Fulvous whistling-Duck	white-winged tern
Greater White-fronted	Arctic Tern
Goose	"Cayenne Tern"
Cackling Goose	Great Skua
Cinnamon Teal	Common Murre
Garganey	Thick-billed Murre
Ring-necked Pheasant	Common Ground-Dove
Pacific Loon	Snowy Owl
Western Grebe	Burrowing Owl
Clark's Grebe	Antillean Nighthawk
Yellow-nosed Albatross	Olive-sided Flycatcher
Northern Fulmar	Say's Phoebe
Black-capped Petrel	Vermilion Flycatcher
White-faced Storm-Petrel	Ash-throated Flycatcher
Band-rumped Storm-Petrel	Tropical Kingbird
White-tailed Tropicbird	Fork-tailed Flycatcher
Red-billed Tropicbird	Loggerhead Shrike
Wood Stork	Northern Shrike
Masked Booby	White-breasted Nuthatch
Brown Booby	Bewick's Wren
Anhinga	Northern Wheatear
"Great White Heron"	Sage Thrasher
White-faced Ibis	Sprague's Pipit
Roseate Spoonbill	Black-throated Gray
Black Vulture	Warbler
Northern Goshawk	Townsend's Warbler
Swainson's Hawk	Cerulean Warbler
Golden Eagle	Swainson's Warbler
Purple Gallinule	Louisiana Waterthrush
Sandhill Crane	American Tree Sparrow
Snowy Plover	Lark Bunting
Spotted Redshank	Leconte's Sparrow
"Eurasian Whimbrel"	Harris's Sparrow
Black-tailed Godwit	Western Tanager
Bar-tailed Godwit	Western Meadowlark
Little Stint	Brewer's Blackbird
Sabine's Gull	Shiny Cowbird

Red Crossbill

White-winged Crossbill

Common Redpoll

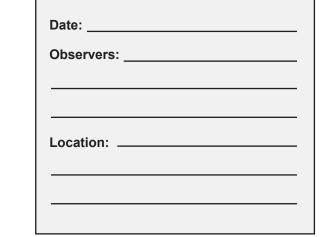
Evening Grosbeak

Franklin's Gull

Bridled Tern

Common (Mew) Gull

Yellow-legged Gull



Please report unusual sightings at the Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center or at the Hatteras Island Ranger Station.

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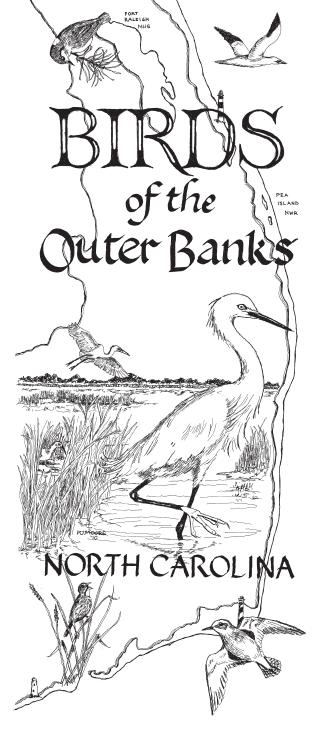
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BIRDS of the OUTER BANKS

Nearly 400 species of birds have been sighted within Cape Hatteras National Seashore. This impressive number is due to several factors, which include: the rich diversity of habitats; the fact that the ocean off the Banks is biologically rich, in part because of the mixing of subtropical waters from the south with the temperate waters from the mid-Atlantic: and the limited extent of land, which tends to concentrate vagrants. In spite of its rich potential, the Banks is actually underbirded. In fact, sometimes a visiting birder discovers a species that has never been recorded in this area before.

The area covered by this list includes all of Cape Hatteras National Seashore, from Nags Head south to Ocracoke village, to include Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge. Also included is the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site on Roanoke Island. Note that the bar-graph statuses provided in this list are based on the sites where species are easiest to find. For instance, the statuses given for most waterfowl species are based on their abundances at Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge. Some resident landbird species that are easy to find at Fort Raleigh National Historic Site are much harder to find further south on the Banks, e.g. Brown-headed Nuthatch.

WHEN and WHERE

Birding is always exciting on the Outer Banks though the greatest variety of species occurs during spring and fall migrations. For those seeking out migratory shorebirds, the various inlet tidal flats, the ponds at Pea Island and Bodie Island, and the salt pond at Cape Hatteras Point offer the greatest concentrations. However, the ponds at Pea Island and Bodie Island offer the greatest variety, and typically the best chance of seeing one of the rarer species.

Landbird migration in fall can be excellent, but typically only after strong cold fronts. The best areas to look for these migrants is along the dikes at Pea Island; the northern tip of Pea Island, near the Oregon Inlet bridge; and at Fort Raleigh especially in and around the Elizabethan Gardens and along the section of the hiking trail that ends at Croatan Sound.

In winter, ocean-watching is generally best from Cape Hatteras northward. Occasionally in winter, especially in severe weather, Cape Hatteras Point may be almost blanketed with gulls, providing the opportunity to see several of the rarer species. Often in late May, impressive numbers of pelagic birds—storm-petrels, shearwaters, jaegers—may be seen in northward migration passing just off the tip of Cape Hatteras Point.

Even if you visit the Outer Banks during a slower period, don't forget that exciting birds can turn up any time.

ABUNDANCE DESIGNATIONS

COMMON: Certain to be found in proper habitat - FAIRLY COMMON: Will usually be found UNCOMMON: Present, but will often be missed •••••• OCCASIONAL: May require several visits to find * RARE: Not recorded every year VERY RARE TO ACCIDENTAL: Found less often than five times a decade See separate list at end of checklist

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GEESE & DUCKS

- _ Snow Goose (Light Morph) __ "Blue Goose"
- __ Ross's Goose __ Brant
- __ Canada Goose __ Mute Swan
- __ Tundra Swan Wood Duck __ Gadwall
- __ Eurasian Wigeon
- __ American Wigeon American Black Duck
- Mallard
- Blue-winged Teal Northern Shoveler
- __ Northern Pintail
- Green-winged Teal __ "Common Teal"
- __ Canvasback __ Redhead
- __ Ring-necked Duck
- _ Greater Scaup _ Lesser Scaup
- __ King Eider
- __ Common Eider __ Harlequin Duck
- __ Surf Scoter __ White-winged Scoter
- __ Black Scoter __ Long-tailed Duck
- __ Bufflehead __ Common Goldeneye
- __ Hooded Merganser __ Common Merganser
- __ Red-breasted Merganser
- __ Ruddy Duck

GALLINACEOUS BIRDS

Northern Bobwhite





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Pied-billed Grebe Red-necked Grebe

SHEARWATERS

Eared Grebe

__ Horned Grebe

GREBES

- Cory's Shearwater __ Great Shearwater Sooty Shearwater
- Manx Shearwater Audubon's Shearwater

STORM-PETRELS __ Wilson's Storm-Petrel

__ Leach's Storm-Petrel

PELICANS & ALLIES

- Magnificent Frigatebird Northern Gannet Double-crested Cormorant
- Great Cormorant American White Pelican __ Brown Pelican

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BITTERNS & HERONS



- _ Great Egret _ Snowy Egret
- __ Little Blue Heron Tricolored Heron
- Reddish Egret Cattle Egret Green Heron
- __ Black-crowned Night-Heron __ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

IBISES

White Ibis __ Glossy Ibis



VULTURES

__ Turkey Vulture **HAWKS & EAGLES**

- Osprey Swallow-tailed Kite
- Mississippi Kite __ Bald Eagle Northern Harrier
- __ Sharp-shinned Hawk Cooper's Hawk
- Red-shouldered Hawk Broad-winged Hawk
- Red-tailed Hawk __ Rough-legged Hawk

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FALCONS

- Peregrine Falcon

- __ Virginia Rail __ Sora
- __ American Coot

- Black-bellied Plover American Golden-Plover
- __ Piping Plover __ Killdeer

Black-necked Stilt

__ American Avocet

- Solitary Sandpiper __ Greater Yellowlegs
- Lesser Yellowleas
- __ Long-billed Curlew
- Red Knot
- Western Sandpiper
- Least Sandpiper
- __ Baird's Sandpiper
- Dunlin
- __ Stilt Sandpiper

Buff-breasted Sandpiper

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__ American Kestrel Merlin

RAILS & ALLIES

- __ Yellow Rail __ Black Rail
- __ Clapper Rail King Rail
- Common Moorhen

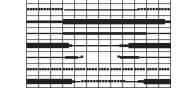
PLOVERS

- __ Wilson's Plover Semipalmated Plover

__ American Oystercatcher

SANDPIPERS

- __ Spotted Sandpiper
- Upland Sandpiper Whimbrel
- __ Hudsonian Godwit
- Ruddy Turnstone
- __ Sanderling





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AVOCETS & STILTS

- __ Willet

- Marbled Godwit
- Semipalmated Sandpiper
- White-rumped Sandpiper
- Pectoral Sandpiper Purple Sandpiper
- Curlew Sandpiper

SANDPIPERS (cont'd.)

Ruff

- Short-billed Dowitcher __ Long-billed Dowitcher
- Wilson's Snipe American Woodcock
- Wilson's Phalarope Red-necked Phalarope
- __ Red Phalarope **GULLS & TERNS**

Black-legged Kittiwake Bonaparte's Gull

- Black-headed Gull __ Little Gull
- __ Laughing Gull __ Ring-billed Gull __ California Gull
- __ Herring Gull __ Thayer's Gull __ Iceland Gull
- __ Lesser Black-backed Gull Glaucous Gull
- __ Great Black-backed Gull _ Sooty Tern __ Least Tern
- __ Gull-billed Tern __ Caspian Tern
- Black Tern Roseate Tern

Sandwich Tern

Black Skimmer

- __ Common Tern __ Forster's Tern __ Royal Tern
- **SKIMMERS**

- **JAEGERS** __ South Polar Skua
- __ Pomarine Jaeger __ Parasitic Jaeger __ Long-tailed Jaeger

ALCIDS __ Dovekie

- __ Razorbill DOVES
- __ Rock Pigeon Eurasian Collared-Dove White-winged Dove Mourning Dove

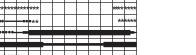
CUCKOOS

Yellow-billed Cuckoo Black-billed Cuckoo

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OWLS

__ Barn Owl



- __ Downy Woodpecker
- __ Pileated Woodpecker

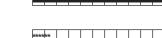
Eastern Wood-Pewee

- Alder/ Willow Flycatcher
- __ Least Flycatcher Eastern Phoebe
- - __ Gray Kingbird Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

Philadelphia Vireo __ Red-eyed Vireo

JAYS & CROWS

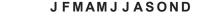


















Eastern Screech-Owl

Northern Saw-whet Owl

_ Great Horned Owl

Short-eared Owl

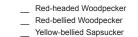
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HUMMINGBIRDS



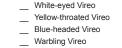


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- Hairy Woodpecker Northern Flicker
- **FLYCATCHERS**
- Yellow-bellied Flycatcher Acadian Flycatcher
- Great Crested Flycatcher
- Western Kingbird Eastern Kingbird

VIREOS





LARKS __ Horned Lark

