

Sleeping Bear Dunes

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Bird Checklist

SEASONAL ABUNDANCE - Sp =Mar-May, Su =Jun-Aug, Fa =Sep-Nov, Wi =Dec-Feb - Common (C) – Likely to be seen in appropriate habitat. - Uncommon (U) – Not usually seen even in appropriate habitat. - Rare (R) – Present annually in very small numbers. - Occasional (O) – Not usually present in this area but there are records of occurrence. (* – Less than 3 records.) - Irrruptive (I) – Irregularly present, sometimes in large numbers.							STATUS - Endangered (E) – Population in immediate danger of extinction or extirpation (total loss from a particular area). - Threatened (T) – Numbers low and declining. Likely to become endangered if there is no intervention. - Special Concern (SC) – Numbers declining. - Exotic (Ex) – Not native to this area. - Breeding (B) – Breeds at Sleeping Bear Dunes. (? – May breed at Sleeping Bear Dunes but not confirmed)													
Species	✓	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi	Status	Species	✓	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi	Status	Species	✓	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi	Status
LOONS AND GREBES							SWANS, GEESE AND DUCKS (CONTINUED)							SHOREBIRDS (CONTINUED)						
Common Loon		C	U	C	O	T, B	Hooded Merganser		U	U	U	R	B	Whimbrel		O				
Red-throated Loon					O*		Common Merganser		C	C	C	U	B	Ruddy Turnstone		R	O*	R		
Pied-billed Grebe		U	R	U		B	Red-breasted Merganser		C	R	U	O	B	Sanderling		C	R	C		
Horned Grebe		U		U	U		Ruddy Duck		O*					Semipalmated Sandpiper		U	R	U		
Red-necked Grebe		O		R	R		DIURNAL RAPTORS							Western Sandpiper			O*			
Eared Grebe			O*				Black Vulture		O*					Least Sandpiper		U	R	U		
PELICANS AND CORMORANTS							Turkey Vulture		C	C	U		B	White-rumped Sandpiper			O*			
American White Pelican		O	O*				Swallow-tailed Kite			O*				Baird's Sandpiper		O*	O	R		
Double-crested Cormorant		C	C	C		B	Osprey		R	O	O*		T	Pectoral Sandpiper			R	R		
HERONS, EGRETS AND BITTERNS							Bald Eagle		U	U	U	U	T, B	Dunlin		R				
American Bittern		R	R			SC	Northern Harrier		U	R	R		SC, B	Stilt Sandpiper				R		
Least Bittern			R			T, B	Sharp-shinned Hawk		C	R	U	R	B	Buff-breasted Sandpiper			O*			
Great Blue Heron		C	C	C	R		Cooper's Hawk		R	R	R	R	SC, B	Short-billed Dowitcher		R	R	O		
Great Egret		R	R				Northern Goshawk		R	R	R	R	SC, B	Wilson's Snipe		U	R	U	O*	B?
Snowy Egret		O*					Red-shouldered Hawk		U	R	U	O	T, B	American Woodcock		C	U	U		B
Cattle Egret		O*		O*			Broad-winged Hawk		C	R	C		B	Wilson's Phalarope		O*	O*			SC
Green Heron		U	C	U		B	Red-tailed Hawk		C	U	C	R	B	GULLS AND TERNS						
Black-crowned Night Heron			O*	O*		SC	Rough-legged Hawk		U		U	R		Bonaparte's Gull		U	O*	U	O	
Yellow-crowned Night Heron			O*				Golden Eagle		R	O*				Ring-billed Gull		C	C	C	C	B
Wood Stork		O*					American Kestrel		U	U	U	O	B	Herring Gull		C	C	C	C	B
SWANS, GEESE AND DUCKS							Merlin		U	R	R	O*	T, B	Lesser Black-backed Gull					O*	
Trumpeter Swan		R	R	R	O		Peregrine Falcon		O		O		E	Glaucous Gull		R			R	
Tundra Swan		U		O			GALLINACEOUS BIRDS							Great Black-backed Gull		R	O*		R	
Mute Swan		C	C	C	C	Ex, B	Ring-necked Pheasant		R	R	R	R	Ex, B	Caspian Tern		U	U	U		T, B?
Snow Goose		O*		R			Ruffed Grouse		U	U	U	U	B	Forster's Tern		O*	O*			SC
Canada Goose		C	C	C	R	B	Wild Turkey		C	C	C	C	B	Common Tern		R	R	R		T
Wood Duck		C	C	C	R	B	Northern Bobwhite		R	R	R	R	B?	Black Tern		O*	O*			SC
Green-winged Teal		U	O*	U			CRANES, RAILS AND COOTS							PIGEONS AND DOVES						
American Black Duck		U	R	U	U	B	Virginia Rail		R	R	R		B	Rock Pigeon		U	U	U	U	Ex, B
Mallard		C	C	C	C	B	Sora		U	U			B	Mourning Dove		C	C	C	C	B
Northern Pintail		R	O*	R			Common Moorhen		O*				SC	CUCKOOS						
Blue-winged Teal		C	U	C		B	American Coot		R	O*				Black-billed Cuckoo		U	U	U		B
Northern Shoveler		R					Sandhill Crane		U	R			B	Yellow-billed Cuckoo		U	U			B
American Widgeon		U		U			SHOREBIRDS							OWLS						
Gadwall		R		R			Black-bellied Plover		R		R			Eastern Screech Owl		R	R	R	R	B?
Canvasback		U	O*		O*		American Golden Plover				O*			Great Horned Owl		U	U	U	U	B
Redhead		U	O*				Semipalmated Plover		U		U			Snowy Owl		I			I	
Ring-necked Duck		U	O*	U			Piping Plover		R	R			E, B	Barred Owl		U	U	U	U	B
Lesser Scaup		U	R	U			Killdeer		C	C	C	O	B	Northern Hawk Owl					O*	
Greater Scaup		C		C	C		American Avocet		O*					Long-eared Owl		O	O	O	O	T, B?
Long-tailed Duck		U		U	U		Greater Yellowlegs		R		R			Short-eared Owl		O*				E
Black Scoter					O*		Lesser Yellowlegs		U		U			Northern Saw-whet Owl		R	R	R	R	B
Surf Scoter		O		O	O		Solitary Sandpiper		C		C			NIGHTHAWKS AND SWIFTS						
White-winged Scoter		U		U	U		Willet		O*	O*				Common Nighthawk		R	R	R		B
Common Goldeneye		C		C	C		Spotted Sandpiper		C	C			B	Whip-Poor-Will		O	O			B?
Buffelhead		C	O*	C	C		Upland Sandpiper		U	U			B	Chimney Swift		U	U	R		B

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HUMMINGBIRDS AND KINGFISHERS						
Ruby-throated Hummingbird		C	C	C		B
Belted Kingfisher		C	C	U	O	B
WOODPECKERS						
Red-headed Woodpecker		R	R	R	O	B
Red-bellied Woodpecker		U	U	U	U	B
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		U	R	U	O	B?
Downy Woodpecker		C	C	C	C	B
Hairy Woodpecker		C	C	C	C	B
Black-backed Woodpecker				O*		SC
Three-toed Woodpecker			O*			
Northern Flicker		C	C	C	O	B
Pileated Woodpecker		U	U	U	U	B
FLYCATCHERS						
Olive-sided Flycatcher		O	R	R		B
Eastern Wood Pewee		C	C	U		B?
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher		O	O	O		B?
Acadian Flycatcher		O	O	O		B?
Alder Flycatcher		U	U			B?
Willow Flycatcher		R	R			B?
Least Flycatcher		C	C	U		B
Eastern Phoebe		C	C	C		B
Great-crested Flycatcher		C	C	U		B
Eastern Kingbird		C	C	U		B
Western Kingbird		O*		O*		
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher		O*				
SHRIKES AND VIREOS						
Northern Shrike		U		U	U	
Loggerhead Shrike		O	O		O*	E, B?
White-eyed Vireo		O*		O*		
Yellow-throated Vireo		R	R			B?
Blue-headed Vireo		U	U	U		B
Warbling Vireo		U	U			B
Philadelphia Vireo		R	O*	O*		B?
Red-eyed Vireo		C	C	C		B
JAYS AND CROWS						
Blue Jay		C	C	C	C	B
American Crow		C	C	C	C	B
Common Raven		U	U	U	U	B
LARKS						
Horned Lark		C	U	U	O*	B
SWALLOWS						
Purple Martin		R	R			B
Tree Swallow		C	C	R		B
N. Rough-winged Swallow		U	U			B
Bank Swallow		C	C	R		B
Cliff Swallow		R	R			B
Barn Swallow		C	C	C		B
CHICKADEES, TITMICE, NUTHATCHES AND CREEPERS						
Black-capped Chickadee		C	C	C	C	B
Tufted Titmouse		C	C	C	C	B
Red-breasted Nuthatch		C	C	C	C	B
White-breasted Nuthatch		C	C	C	C	B
Brown Creeper		U	R	U	O	B
WRENS						
Carolina Wren		O	O	O	O	B?
House Wren		U	U	U		B
Winter Wren		U	U	U	O	B
Sedge Wren		R	R	R		B?
Marsh Wren		R	R	R		SC, B?

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KINGLETS AND GNATCATCHERS						
Golden-crowned Kinglet		U		U	U	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		C	O	C		B?
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		R	R	R		B
THRUSHES						
Eastern Bluebird		C	C	C		B
Townsend's Solitaire					O*	
Veery		U	U	U		B
Gray-cheeked Thrush		R		R		
Swainson's Thrush		U	R	U		B?
Hermit Thrush		C	U	C		B
Wood Thrush		U	U	U		B
American Robin		C	C	C	R	B
Varied Thrush			O*		O*	
CATBIRDS AND THRASHERS						
Gray Catbird		C	C	C	O*	B
Northern Mockingbird		R	R	R	R	B
Brown Thrasher		U	U	U		B
STARLINGS, PIPITS AND WAXWINGS						
European Starling		C	C	C	U	Ex, B
American Pipit		R		R		
Bohemian Waxwing		I		I	I	
Cedar Waxwing		C	C	C	C	B
WOOD WARBLERS						
Blue-winged Warbler		O	O*			B?
Golden-winged Warbler		R	R			B?
Tennessee Warbler		U		U		
Orange-crowned Warbler		R		O*		
Nashville Warbler		C	U	U		B
Northern Parula		U	R	O		B?
Yellow Warbler		C	C	C		B
Chestnut-sided Warbler		U	R	R		B
Magnolia Warbler		U	R	R		B
Cape May Warbler		U		R		
Blk-throated Blue Warbler		U	U	R		B
Yellow-rumped Warbler		C	U	C	O*	B
Black-throated Green		C	C	C		B
Blackburnian Warbler		U	R	R		B
Yellow-throated Warbler		O*				T
Pine Warbler		C	C	U		B
Prairie Warbler		R	R			E, B
Palm Warbler		C		C		
Bay-breasted Warbler		R		R		
Blackpoll Warbler		R		R		
Cerulean Warbler		O*	O*			SC
Black and White Warbler		C	U	C		B
American Redstart		C	C	C		B
Prothonotary Warbler		O*				SC
Ovenbird		C	C	C		B
Worm-eating Warbler		O*				
Northern Waterthrush		U	U	U		B
Kentucky Warbler		O*				
Connecticut Warbler		O				
Mourning Warbler		U	U	R		B
Common Yellowthroat		C	C	C		B
Hooded Warbler		O*	O*			SC, B?
Wilson's Warbler		U		R		
Canada Warbler		U	R	R		B?
Yellow-breasted Chat		O				

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TANAGERS, CARDINALS AND ALLIES						
Scarlet Tanager		C	U	U		B
Northern Cardinal		U	U	U	U	B
Rose-breasted Grosbeak		C	C	C		B
Indigo Bunting		C	C	C		B
Dickcissel		I	I			SC, B?
SPARROWS AND ALLIES						
Eastern Towhee		U	U	U	O	B?
American Tree Sparrow		C		C	I	
Chipping Sparrow		C	C	C		B
Clay-colored Sparrow		R	R	R		B
Field Sparrow		U	U	U		B
Vesper Sparrow		C	C	C		B
Lark Sparrow				O*		
Savannah Sparrow		U	U	U		B
Grasshopper Sparrow		U	U	U		SC, B
LeConte's Sparrow				O*		
Fox Sparrow		U		U		
Song Sparrow		C	C	C	R	B
Lincoln's Sparrow		U	O*	U		B?
Swamp Sparrow		C	C	U		B
White-throated Sparrow		C	U	C	R	B
White-crowned Sparrow		C		C	O*	
Harris's Sparrow		O*	O*	O*	O*	
Dark-eyed Junco		C	O	C	U	B?
Lapland Longspur		R		R		
Snow Bunting		U		U	I	
BLACKBIRDS						
Bobolink		U	U			B
Eastern Meadowlark		C	C	C		B
Western Meadowlark		O	O			SC, B
Yellow-headed Blackbird		O*	O*			SC
Red-winged Blackbird		C	C	C	R	B
Rusty Blackbird		R		R		
Brewer's Blackbird		O	O	O	O*	B
Brown-headed Cowbird		C	C	C		B
Common Grackle		C	C	C	R	B
Baltimore Oriole		C	C			B
Orchard Oriole		O*	O			B
FINCHES AND OLD WORLD SPARROWS						
Evening Grosbeak		R	O	R	I	B?
Pine Grosbeak		I			I	
Purple Finch		U	U	U	U	B
House Finch		C	C	C	C	Ex, B
Common Redpoll		I		I	I	
Pine Siskin		U	O	U	I	B
American Goldfinch		C	C	C	C	B
Red Crossbill		O*	O*		O*	B?
White-winged Crossbill					I	
House Sparrow		U	U	U	U	Ex, B
278 Total Species						