

Species	Interior	Coastal
Hummingbirds		
___ Rufous Hummingbird	*R (2)	*C (1,2,3)
Kingfishers		
___ Belted Kingfisher	*C (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3,4)
Woodpeckers		
___ Northern Flicker	*C (1,2,3)	*U (3)
___ Hairy Woodpecker	*C (1,2,3,4)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ Downy Woodpecker	*U (1,2,3,4)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ Black-backed Woodpecker	R (1,2,3,4)	+ (1,2,3)
___ Three-toed Woodpecker	*U (1,2,3,4)	*R (1,2,3,4)
___ Red-breasted Sapsucker	*+ (2)	+ (1,3,4)
Flycatchers		
___ Say's Phoebe	*U (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
___ Alder Flycatcher	*C (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
___ Hammond's Flycatcher	*U (1,2,3)	--
___ Western Wood Pewee	*U (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
___ Olive-sided Flycatcher	*U (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
Larks		
___ Horned Lark	*C (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
Swallows		
___ Violet-green Swallow	*C (1,2,3)	C (1,2,3)
___ Tree Swallow	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Bank Swallow	*C (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3)
___ Cliff Swallow	*C (1,2,3)	U (1,2,3)
___ Barn Swallow	*R (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
Jays and Crows		
___ Gray Jay	*C (1,2,3,4)	*R (1,2,3,4)
___ Steller's Jay	+ (3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Common Raven	*C (1,2,3,4)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Northwestern Crow	--	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Black-billed Magpie	*C (1,2,3,4)	*C (1,2,3,4)
Chickadee		
___ Black-capped Chickadee	*C (1,2,3,4)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ Chestnut-backed Chickadee	--	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Siberian Tit	+ (1,2,3,4)	--
___ Boreal Chickadee	*C (1,2,3,4)	R (1,2,3,4)
Nuthatches		
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	*+ (1,2,3,4)	*U (3)
Creepers		
___ Brown Creeper	R (1,2,3,4)	*U (1,2,3,4)
Wrens		
___ Winter Wren	--	*U (1,2,3,4)
Dippers		
___ American Dipper	*U (1,2,3,4)	*C (1,2,3,4)
Doves		
___ Mourning Dove	+ (1,2,3)	R (3)

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Thrushes		
___ American Robin	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Townsend's Solitaire	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Hermit Thrush	*U (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
___ Swainson's Thrush	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Varied Thrush	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Gray-cheeked Thrush	*C (1,2,3)	U (1,2,3)
___ Mountain Bluebird	*R (1,2,3)	+ (3)
___ Northern Wheatear	*U (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
Kinglets		
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	R (2,3)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
Old World Warblers		
___ Arctic Warbler	*R (1,2,3)	--
Pipits		
___ American Pipit	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
Waxwings		
___ Bohemian Waxwing	*C (1,2,3)	U (1,2,3)
Shrikes		
___ Northern Shrike	*U (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3)
Starlings		
___ European Starling	R (1,2,3)	R (1,3,4)
New World Warblers		
___ Orange-crowned Warbler	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Yellow Warbler	*U (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3)
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler	*C (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3)
___ Townsend's Warbler	*R (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3)
___ Blackpoll Warbler	*U (1,2,3)	*R (1,2,3)
___ Northern Waterthrush	*C (1,2,3)	*R (1,2,3)
___ Wilson's Warbler	*C (1,2,3)	*R (1,2,3)
Blackbirds		
___ Rusty Blackbird	*U (1,2,3)	*R (1,2,3)
___ Red-winged Blackbird	R (1,2,3)	*R (1,2,3)
___ Brown-headed Cowbird	+ (1,2,3)	+ (1,2,3)
Sparrows, Juncos, Buntings		
___ Savannah Sparrow	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Dark-eyed Junco	*C (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ American Tree Sparrow	*C (1,2,3)	U (1,3)
___ Chipping Sparrow	R (1,2,3)	+ (1,2,3)
___ Brewer's Sparrow	*+ (1,2)	--
___ White-crowned Sparrow	*C (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3)
___ Golden-crowned Sparrow	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Fox Sparrow	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Lincoln's Sparrow	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Song Sparrow	R (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Lapland Longspur	*C (1,2,3)	U (1,3)
___ Smith's Longspur	R (1,2,3)	--
___ Snow Bunting	*C (1,2,3)	*U (1,3)

Species	Interior	Coastal
Finches		
___ Pine Grosbeak	*U (1,2,3,4)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ Rosy Finch	*U (1,2,3)	*U (1,2,3)
___ Common Redpoll	*C (1,2,3,4)	*R (1,4)
___ Hoary Redpoll	*C (1,4)	*R (1,4)
___ Pine Siskin	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Red Crossbill	--	*R (1,2,3,4)
___ White-winged Crossbill	*C (1,2,3,4)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ Brambling	*+ (1,3,4)	+ (3,4)

If you observe any birds that are not on this checklist please send detailed reports to Park Headquarters:

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KEY TO SYMBOLS:

- * Positive identification made in the Park/Preserve.
- C Common
- U Uncommon
- R Rare
- + Casual or accidental vagrants.
- Not known to occur within the region

Numbers with parentheses represent season:

1=Spring, 2=Summer, 3=Fall, 4=Winter

The two bio-geographic regions considered are:

Interior = North of the Bagley Icefield

Coastal = South of the Bagley Icefield

Date _____

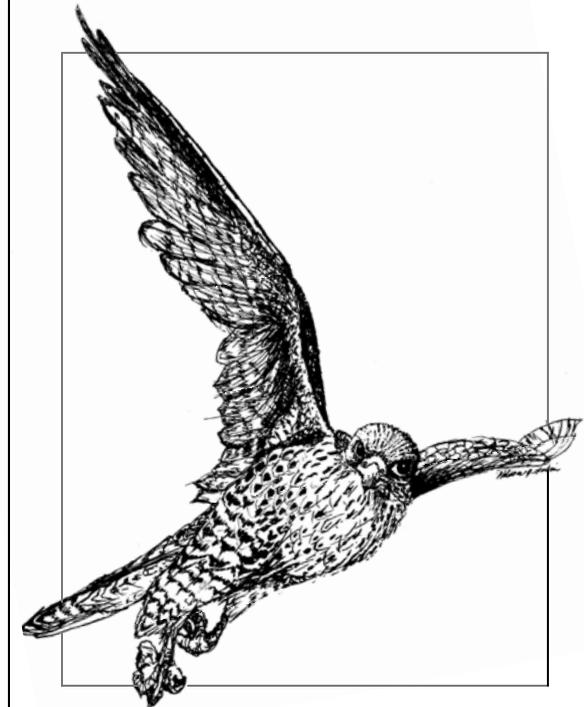
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Observer(s) _____

Remarks _____



Bird Checklist



Birds of Wrangell-St. Elias

National Park & Preserve

This is a list of 212 bird species found in Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve. The park contains 13.2 million acres, including both marine shoreline near Yakutat and vast expanses of wild, interior Alaska with boreal spruce forests, muskegs, alder thickets, alpine meadows, icefields, and glacial barrens.

Long summer days and abundant habitats lure long distance migrants through the Copper River Valley each spring. Trumpeter swans, Canada geese, and a myriad of other waterfowl and shorebirds begin arriving in April. By early May, park forests are alive with birdsong as warblers and thrushes establish nesting territories and find mates. By August, many species are already beginning their return to southern wintering grounds.

As days shorten and the frigid winter of the Alaskan interior arrives, only the hardiest 34 species remain. Foraging chickadees, redpolls, and grosbeaks can be seen and heard on all but the coldest of days.

As one of the largest wilderness areas in the world, and with limited road access, this rugged area offers both unique challenges and rich rewards to the casual observer and seasoned birder alike. A journey along either the 60-mile McCarthy Road or 40-mile Nabesna Road will provide for many opportunities to enjoy summer's bird pageantry in spectacular settings.

Stop by any park visitor center to ask about recent sightings and check on road conditions before heading out.

Species	Interior	Coastal
Loons		
___ Common Loon	*C (1,2)	*C (1)
___ Yellow-billed Loon	+ (1,3)	*R (1,2)
___ Pacific Loon	*C (1,3)	*C (1,3,4)
___ Red-throated Loon	*U (1,2,3)	C (1,2,3)
Grebes		
___ Red-necked Grebe	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,3)
___ Horned Grebe	*C (1,2,3)	C (1,3,4)
Albatrosses		
___ Black-footed Albatross	--	C (1,2,3)
___ Laysan Albatross	--	R (1,2,3)
Shearwaters		
___ Northern Fulmar	--	C (1,2,3)
___ Pink-footed Shearwater	--	R (1,2,3)
___ Sooty Shearwater	--	C (1,2,3)
___ Short-tailed Shearwater	--	C (2)
___ Mottled Shearwater	--	U (1,2,3)
Storm-petrels		
___ Fork-tailed Storm-petrel	+ (3)	C (1,2,3)
___ Leach's Storm-petrel	--	R (1,2,3)
Cormorants		
___ Double-crested Cormorant	+ (2)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Pelagic Cormorant	--	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Red-faced Cormorant	--	C (1,2,3,4)
Hérons		
___ Great Blue Heron	--	*U (1,2,3,4)
Swans, Geese and Ducks		
___ Tundra Swan	*C (1,3)	*C (1,3)
___ Trumpeter Swan	*C (1,2,3)	C (1,2,3)
___ Canada Goose	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Brant	+ (1)	*C (2)
___ Emperor Goose	--	R (4)
___ Snow Goose	*C ((1,3)	*C (1,3)
___ Greater White-fronted Goose	*C ((1,3)	*C (1,3)
___ Mallard	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Gadwall	R (1,2,3)	C (1,3)
___ Northern Pintail	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Green-winged Teal	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Blue-winged Teal	*U (1,3)	*R (1,2,3)
___ Northern Shoveler	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ American Wigeon	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Eurasian Wigeon	*R (1)	R (1)
___ Canvasback	*U (1,2,3)	C (1,2,3)
___ Ring-necked Duck	*U (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Greater Scaup	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Lesser Scaup	*C (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
___ Redhead	*U (1, 3)	*R (1,2,3)
___ Common Goldeneye	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Barrow's Goldeneye	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Bufflehead	*C (1,2,3)	C (1,2,3)

Species	Interior	Coastal
___ Harlequin Duck	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Common Eider	--	R (1,2,3,4)
___ King Eider	--	R (4)
___ Steller's Eider	--	R (4)
___ Oldsquaw	*C (1,3)	*C (1,3,4)
___ Black Scoter	R (1,2,3)	*C (1,3,4)
___ White-winged Scoter	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Surf Scoter	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Hooded Merganser	R (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
___ Red-breasted Merganser	*U (1,2,3,4)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Common Merganser	*R (1,2,3,4)	*C (1,2,3,4)
Birds of Prey		
___ Bald Eagle	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Northern Harrier	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Sharp-Shinned Hawk	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Northern Goshawk	*U (1,2,3,4)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ Red-tailed Hawk	*C (1,2,3,4)	*R (1,2,3)
___ Swainson's hawk	R (1,2,3)	+ (1, 3)
___ Rough-legged Hawk	*C (1,3,4)	*R (1,3)
___ Golden Eagle	*C (1,2,3,4)	R (1,2,3,4)
Falcons		
___ American Kestrel	*U (1,2,3)	*R (1,3)
___ Merlin	*U (1,2,3)	*R (1,2,3,4)
___ Peregrine Falcon	*R (1,2,3)	*R (1,2,3,4)
___ Gyrfalcon	*U (1,2,3,4)	R (1,2,3,4)
Grouse		
___ Spruce Grouse	*C (1,2,3,4)	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Ruffed Grouse	R (1,2,3,4)	--
___ Willow Ptarmigan	*C (1,2,3,4)	*U (1,2,3,4)
___ Rock Ptarmigan	*C (1,2,3,4)	C (1,2,3,4)
___ White-tailed Ptarmigan	*U (1,2,3,4)	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Sharp-Tailed Grouse	*C (1,2,3,4)	--
Cranes		
___ Sandhill Crane	*C (1,3)	C (1,3)
Coots		
___ American Coot	R (1,2,3)	+ (1,2,3)
Plovers		
___ Semi-palmated Plover	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Killdeer	R (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
___ Lesser Golden Plover	*C (1,2,3)	C (1,3)
___ Black-bellied Plover	R (1,2,3)	C (1,3)
Oystercatchers		
___ American Black Oystercatcher	--	*C (1,2,3)
Shorebirds		
___ Hudsonian Godwit	R (1)	U (1,2,3)
___ Whimbrel	*U (1,2,3)	C (1,3)
___ Greater Yellowlegs	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Lesser Yellowlegs	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Solitary Sandpiper	*U (1,2,3)	U (1,3)

Species	Interior	Coastal
___ Upland Sandpiper	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Wandering Tattler	*U (1,2,3)	C (1,3)
___ Short-billed Dowitcher	--	C (1,2,3)
___ Long-billed Dowitcher	*C (1,3)	C (1,3)
___ Red Phalarope	+ (1,2)	C (1,3)
___ Red-necked Phalarope	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Common Snipe	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Surfbird	*U (1,2,3)	C (1,3)
___ Ruddy Turnstone	R (1)	C (1)
___ Black Turnstone	+ (2,3)	C (1,3)
___ Rock Sandpiper	--	C (1,3,4)
___ Pectoral Sandpiper	*C (1,3)	C (1,3)
___ Red Knot	+ (1)	C (1)
___ Dunlin	+ (1,2,3)	C (1,3)
___ Sanderling	R (1,3)	*U (1,2,3)
___ Baird's Sandpiper	*U (1,2,3)	U (1,3)
___ Semipalmated Sandpiper	*C (1,3)	*U (1,3)
___ Least Sandpiper	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Western Sandpiper	*R (1,3)	*C (1,3)
Jaegers, Gulls and Terns		
___ Parasitic Jaeger	R (2)	*C (2,3)
___ Pomarine Jaeger	+ (2)	C (1,3)
___ Long-tailed Jaeger	*C (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3)
___ Glaucous Gull	R (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Glaucous-winged Gull	R (2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Herring Gull	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,3)
___ Thayer's Gull	--	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Ring-billed Gull	*R (1,2,3)	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Mew Gull	*C (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Black-legged Kittiwake	+ (3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Bonaparte's Gull	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Sabine's Gull	+ (2)	U (1,3)
___ Arctic Tern	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Aleutian Tern	--	*U (1,2,3)
Diving Seabirds		
___ Common Murre	+ (4)	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Think-billed Murre	--	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Pigeon Guillemot	--	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Horned Puffin	--	U (1,2,3)
___ Tufted Puffin	--	C (1,2,3)
___ Rhinoceros Auklet	--	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Crested Auklet	+ (3)	R (4)
___ Cassin's Auklet	--	R (1,2,3)
___ Marbled Murrelet	--	*C (1,2,3,4)
___ Kittlitz's Murrelet	--	*C (1,2,3)
___ Ancient Murrelet	--	*R (1,2,3,4)
___ Parakeet Auklet	--	R (1,2,3)
Owls		
___ Great Horned Owl	*C (1,2,3,4)	C (1,2,3,4)
___ Snowy Owl	*R (1,4)	U (4)
___ Northern Hawk Owl	*C (1,2,3,4)	*C (4)
___ Great Grey Owl	*R (1,2,3,4)	R (1,2,3,4)
___ Short-eared Owl	*U (1,2,3)	*C (1,2,3)
___ Boreal Owl	*C (1,2,3,4)	U (1,2,3,4)