

4 BIRD SEEN	COMMON NAME OF BIRD	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
	WOODPECKER, PILEATED	C	C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
	WOODPECKER, RED-BELLIED	C	C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
	WOODPECKER, RED HEADED	R	R	R	R*	R*	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	WREN, CAROLINA	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C
	WREN, HOUSE			R	U	C*	C*	C*	C*	C	U	U	R
	WREN, WINTER	U	U	U	U	U					U	U	U
	YELLOW-THROAT, COMMON				C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C		

### BIRD WATCHING TIPS

1. The best times for bird watching are around sunrise and sunset.
2. Walk slowly and quietly because birds will quickly fly away from sudden movement and loud noise.
3. Use a good pair of binoculars, preferably with a 7 or 8 power magnification.
4. Have a bird guide handy while birding. If possible, study the guide and checklist before your birding trip to make identification easier.
5. When observing a bird, pay close attention to its size, color, shape, and wing and head markings. Also notice any distinguishing behaviors and calls.
6. Always observe first very carefully and then refer to your bird guide because the bird might not be around for a long period of time.

### NOTES

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Locality: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Weather: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Observer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 # Birds Spotted: \_\_\_\_\_

This list is primarily for those beginning the study of birds. A few prime areas for viewing birds in the park are along the western ridge from the nature center to the equitation field, in the northern flood plain area, the meadows, and along the Rock Creek.

Key: C = Common, U = Uncommon, R = Rare, \* = Nesting.

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	BLACKBIRD, RED-WINGED	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
	BLACKBIRD, RUSTY	U	U	U	U						U	U	U
	BLUEBIRD, EASTERN	R	R	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	R
	BOBOLINK				R	R				R	R		
	BOB-WHITE, NORTHERN	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	BUFFLEHEAD	R	R	R	R					R	R	R	R
	BUNTING, INDIGO				U	C	C*	C*	C*	C	U		
	CARDINAL, NORTHERN	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C
	CATBIRD, GRAY	R	R	U	U	C*	C*	C*	C*	C	U	U	R
	CHAT, YLLW-BREASTED				U	C	C	C	C	U			
	CHICKADEE, CAROLINA	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	COWBIRD, BRN-HEADED	C	C	C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	CREEPER, BROWN	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
	CROW, COMMON	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	CROW, FISH	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	CUCKOO, BLCK-BILLED				R	R	R	R	R	R	R		
	CUCKOO, YLLW-BILLED					U	U	U	U	U	U		
	DOVE, MOURNING	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C
	DOVE, ROCK (pigeon)	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	DUCK, WOOD	U	U	C	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C	U	U
	EAGLE, BALD	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	FALCON, PEREGRINE	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	FINCH, HOUSE	C	C	C	C	C	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	FINCH, PURPLE	U	U	U	U	U				U	U	U	U
	FLICKER, NORTHERN	C	C	C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	FLYCATCHER, ACADIAN					C	C*	C	C	C			
	FLYCATCHER, CRESTED				C	C*	C*	C*	C	C			
	FLYCATCHER, LEAST					C				C			
	GNATCATCHER, BLUE-GRAY			U	U*	U*	U*	U	U				
	GOLDFINCH, AMERICAN	C	C	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C
	GOOSE, CANADA	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
	GRACKLE, COMMON	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	GROSBEAK, BLUE			R	R	R			R	R	R		
	GROSBEAK, EVENING	R	R									R	R
	GROSBEAK, ROSE-BRSTD				C	C				C	C		
	GULL, HERRING	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
	GULL, LAUGHING	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R



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## FIELD LIST OF BIRDS OF ROCK CREEK PARK

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	GULL, RING-BILLED	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
	HAWK, BROAD-WINGED				C	C*	C	C	C	C			
	HAWK, COOPER'S	R	R	R							R	R	R
	HAWK,RED-SHLDERED	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
	HAWK, RED-TAILED	C	C	C	C						C	C	C
	HAWK, SHARP-SHINNED	U	U	U	U					U	U	U	U
	HERON, BLK-CRND NIGHT	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	HERON, GREAT BLUE	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	HERON, GREEN				R	R	R	R	R	R	R		
	HUMMINGBIRD, RUBY-THROATED				C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C		
	JAY, BLUE	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	JUNCO, DARK-EYED	C	C	C	C						C	C	C
	KESTREL, AMERICAN	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	KILLDEER	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
	KINGBIRD				C	C*	C*	C*	C	C			
	KINGFISHER, BELTED	U	U	U	U	U*	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
	KINGLET, GLDN-CROWNED	R	R	R	R					R	R	R	R
	KINGLET, RUBY-CROWNED	U	U	U	U	U				U	U	U	U
	LOON, COMMON	R	R	R	R	R				R	R	R	R
	MALLARD	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	MARTIN, PURPLE			U	C	C	C*	C*	C	U			
	MEADOWLARK, EASTRN	R	R	R	R				R	R	R	R	R
	MERGANSER, AMERICAN	R	R	R	R	R					R	R	R
	MOCKINGBIRD, NRTHRN	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	NIGHTHAWK, COMMON				U	C*	C*	C*	C	C	U	U	
	NUTHATCH, WHT-BRSTD	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	NUTHATCH, RED-BRSTD	R	R	R	R	R				R	R	R	R
	ORIOLE, BALTIMORE					C	C*	C	C	C	C		
	ORIOLE, ORCHARD					U				U			
	OSPREY			R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	
	OVEN-BIRD				C	C*	C*	C	C	C	C		
	OWL, BARRED	U	U	U*	U*	U*	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
	OWL, GREAT HORNED	C	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
	OWL, SCREECH	C	C	C	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
	PEWEE, EASTERN				C	C	C*	C*	C	C			
	PHOEBE, EASTERN			C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	
	REDSTART,AMERICAN				U	U			U	U			
	ROBIN, AMERICAN	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C
	SANDPIPER, SOLITARY				U	U				U	U		
	SANDPIPER, SPOTTED				U	U				U	U		
	SAPSUCKER, YLLW-BELLIED	C	C	C	C	C				C	C	C	C
	SISKIN, PINE	R	R	R	R	R					R	R	R
	SPARROW, CHIPPING	U	U	U	U	U*	U*	U*	U*	U	U	U	U
	SPARROW, HOUSE (ENGLISH)	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C
	SPARROW, FIELD	U	U	U	U	U				U	U	U	U
	SPARROW, FOX			U							U		
	SPARROW, SONG	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C
	SPARROW, SWAMP	R	R	R	R	R				R	R	R	R
	SPARROW, TREE	R	R	R	R						R	R	R
	SPARROW, VESPER	R	R	R	R	R					R	R	R
	SPARROW, WHT-CROWNED				R	R					R	R	
	SPARROW, WHT-THROAT	C	C	C	C	C					C	C	C
	WOODPECKER, HAIRY	C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
	STARLING	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C

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	SWALLOW, BARN					C	C*	C*	C*	C	U	U	
	SWALLOW, ROUGH-WINGD					C	C*	C*	C	C	C		
	SWALLOW, TREE					C	C	C	C	C	C		
	SWIFT, CHIMNEY					C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C	
	TANAGER, SCARLET					U	C*	C*	C*	C	C	U	
	THRASHER, BROWN					U	U	U*	U*	U*	U	U	U
	THRUSH, GRAY-CHEEKED												
	THRUSH, HERMIT	U	U	U							C	C	U
	THRUSH, SWAINSONS											C	C
	THRUSH, WOOD											C	U
	TITMOUSE, TUFTED	C	C	C	C*	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	TOWHEE, RUFIOUS-SIDED	C	C	C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C
	VEERY												
	VIREO, PHILADELPHIA												
	VIREO, RED-EYED												
	VIREO, SOLITARY												
	VIREO, WHITE-EYED												
	VIREO, YLLW-THRTD												
	VULTURE, BLACK	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
	VULTURE, TURKEY	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
	WARBLER, BAY-BREASTED												
	WARBLER, BLCKBURNIAN												
	WARBLER, BLACK-POLL												
	WARBLER, BLCK-THRTD BLUE												
	WARBLER, BLCK-THRTD GREEN												
	WARBLER, BLCK/WHT												
	WARBLER, BLUE-WNGED												
	WARBLER, CANADA												
	WARBLER, CAPE MAY												
	WARBLER,CHSNT-SIDED												
	WARBLER,GLDN-WINGD												
	WARBLER, HOODED												
	WARBLER, KENTUCKY												
	WARBLER, MAGNOLIA												
	WARBLER, MOURNING												
	WARBLER, NASHVILLE												
	WARBLER, PALM												
	WARBLER, PARULA												
	WARBLER, PINE												
	WARBLER, PRAIRIE												
	WARBLER, PROTHONOTARY												
	WARBLER, TENNESSEE												
	WARBLER, WILSON'S												
	WARBLER, WORM-EATING												
	WARBLER, YELLOW												
	WARBLER, YLLW-RUMPED												
	WARBLER, YLLW-THRTD												
	WATERTHRUSH, LOUISIANA												
	WATERTHRUSH, NORTHERN												
	WAXWING, CEDAR	U	U	U	U	U	U*						
	WOODCOCK, AMERICAN	U	U	U	U	U*	U*	U	U	U	U	U	U
	WOODPECKER, DOWNEY	C	C	C	C*	C*	C	C	C	C	C	C	C