

local birds

Birdhouses have been built and installed along the trail. Members from the St. James Birders Group will help monitor the trail and nesting boxes. Bring your binoculars and cameras, as many types of local and migratory birds visit this area.

The mission of the St. James Birders Group is to provide information about birds, conduct field trips, and present programs for the enjoyment and education of members and guests. The group is open to novices and experienced birders – all are welcome.

birds found in brunswick county, nc

Season	Residence
Winter Visitor	WV
Winter Resident	WR
Permanent Resident	PR
Summer Visitor	SV
Summer Resident	SR
Transient (Migrant)	T
Fall Visitor	FV

Habitat	Habitat Key
Estuary	E
Marsh	M
Thicket	T
Ocean	O
Beach	B

Species	Residence	Habitat
Blackbirds, Orioles		
Bobolink	T	M, T
Red-Winged Blackbird *	PR	M, T
Eastern Meadowlark	PR	B, M, T
Rusty Blackbird	T	T
Common Grackle *	PR	B, M, T
Boat-Tailed Grackle *	PR	B, E, M, T
Brown-Headed Cowbird *	PR	T
Orchard Oriole *	SR	T
Baltimore Oriole *	WV	T

Species	Residence	Habitat
Starlings, Waxwings		
European Starling *	PR	T
Cedar Waxwing *	WV	T
Finches		
House Finch *	PR	T
Pine Siskin	WV	T
American Goldfinch *	WV	T

* Denotes they have been seen within St. James

Species	Residence	Habitat
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Ducks, Geese, Swans

Snow Goose	WV	E
Canada Goose *	PR	E
Wood Duck *	PR	E, M
Gadwall	WR	E, M
American Wigeon*	WR	E, M
American Black Duck	WR	E, M
Mallard *	WR	E, M
Blue-Winged Teal	T, WR	E, M
Northern Shoveler *	WR	E, M
Northern Pintail	WR	E, M
Green-Winged Teal	WR	E, M
Canvasback	WR	E
Redhead *	WR	E
Ring-Necked Duck *	WR	E
Greater Scaup	WR	E
Lesser Scaup *	WR	E
Surf Scoter	WR	E, O
White-Winged Scoter	WR	E, O
Black Scoter	WR	E, O
Bufflehead *	WR	E, O
Common Goldeneye *	WR	E
Hooded Merganser *	WR	E
Red-Breasted Merganser	WR	E
Ruddy Duck *	WR	E

Loons, Grebes

Red-Throated Loon	WR	E, O
Common Loon *	WR	E, O
Pied-Billed Grebe *	WR	E
Horned Grebe *	WR	E

Gannets, Cormorants, Darters, Pelicans

Northern Gannet	WR	O
Double-Crested Cormorant *	WR	E, O
Great Cormorant	WR	O
Anhinga *	PR	Pond
American White Pelican	WV	E, B, O
Brown Pelican *	PR	E, B, O

Cuckoos, Doves

Rock Pigeon	PR	T
Mourning Dove *	PR	T
Yellow-Billed Cuckoo	SR	T

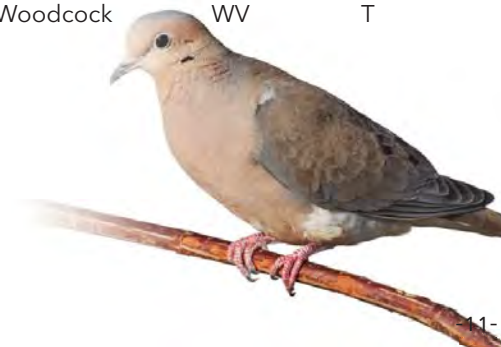
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Bitterns, Herons, Egrets, Ibis

American Bittern	WR	M
Least Bittern	SR	M
Great Blue Heron *	PR	E, M
Great Egret *	PR	E, M
Snowy Egret *	PR	E, M
Little Blue Heron *	PR	E, M
Tricolored Heron *	PR	E, M
Reddish Egret	SV	E, M
Cattle Egret	SR	M
Green Heron *	SR	E, M
Black-Crowned Night Heron *	PR	E, M
Yellow-Crowned Night Heron	PR	E, M
White Ibis *	PR	E, M
Glossy Ibis	SR	E, M

Shorebirds

American Oystercatcher	PR	B, E, M
Black-Bellied Plover	T	B, E,
Wilson's Plover	SR	B
Semipalmated Plover	T	B, E
Killdeer *	PR	B, E
Spotted Sandpiper *	T	E, M
Greater Yellowlegs *	T, WR	E, M
Willet	PR	B, E, M
Lesser Yellowlegs	T	E, M
Whimbrel *	T	B
Ruddy Turnstone	T	B
Red Knot	T	B
Sanderling	WR, T	B
Dunlin	WR, T	B, E, M
Least Sandpiper*	T	E, M
Semipalmated Sandpiper	T	E, M
Western Sandpiper	T	E, M
Short-Billed Dowitcher	T, WV	E, M
Wilson's Snipe	WV	E, M
American Woodcock	WV	T



Species	Residence	Habitat
Rails, Coots Turkey		
Clapper Rail *	PR	M
King Rail	T	M, Fresh Water
Virginia Rail	T	M
Sora	WR	M
American Coot*	WV	M
Wild Turkey*	PR	

Gulls, Terns		
Bonaparte's Gull	WV	O
Laughing Gull *	PR	B, E, M
Ring-Billed Gull *	T, WV	B, E
Herring Gull	T, WV	B, E
Great Black-Backed Gull	T, WV	B, E
Least Tern	SR	B, E
Caspian Tern	T	B, E
Black Tern	T	B, E
Common Tern	SR	B, E
Forster's Tern	WR	B, E
Royal Tern	SR	B, E
Sandwich Tern	SR	B, E
Black Skimmer	SR	B, E

Goatsuckers, Swifts, Hummingbirds		
Common Nighthawk	SR	E
Chuck-Will's Widow	SR	T
Chimney Swift	SR	T
Ruby-Throated Hummer*	SR	T
Rufous Hummingbird *	SV	T

Kingfisher, Woodpeckers		
Belted Kingfisher *	WR	E
Red-Headed Woodpecker *	PR	T
Red-Bellied Woodpecker *	PR	T
Yellow-Bellied Sapsucker *	WR	T
Downy Woodpecker *	PR	T
Hairy Woodpecker*	T	T
Northern Flicker *	PR	T
Pileated Woodpecker *	PR	T

Cardinals, Grosbeaks		
Summer Tanager	T	T
Scarlet Tanager	T	T
Northern Cardinal *	PR	T
Rose-Breasted Grosbeak*	T	T
Blue Grosbeak	SR	T
Indigo Bunting	T	T
Painted Bunting *	SR	T

Species	Residence	Habitat
Flycatchers		
Eastern Wood-Pewee *	SR	T
Yellow-Bellied Flycatcher	T	T
Acadian Flycatcher	T	T
Eastern Phoebe*	WR	T
Great Crested Flycatcher *	SR	T
Eastern Kingbird *	SR	T

Vultures, Eagles, Hawks, Falcons, Osprey		
Black Vulture *	SR	Open
Turkey Vulture *	PR	Open
Bald Eagle *	T	B, E
Northern Harrier *	WR	B, M
Sharp-Shinned Hawk	WR	T
Cooper's Hawk *	PR	T
Red-Tailed Hawk *	PR	T
Red-Shouldered Hawk*	PR	T
Broad-Winged Hawk	T	T
American Kestrel *	WR	B, M, T
Merlin *	WR	B, E, M
Peregrine Falcon	WR	B, E, M
Osprey*		B, E, M

Vireos		
White-Eyed Vireo	SR	T
Yellow-Throated Vireo	SR	T
Blue-Headed Vireo	T	T
Red-Eyed Vireo	T	T

Jays, Crows, Chickadees, Titmouse		
Blue Jay *	PR	T
American Crow *	PR	E, M, T
Fish Crow *	PR	B, E, M, T
Carolina Chickadee *	PR	T
Tufted Titmouse *	PR	T

Nuthatches, Wrens		
Brown-Headed Nuthatch *	PR	T
Brown Creeper	WV	T
House Wren *	WR	M, T
Sedge Wren	WR	M
Marsh Wren	PR	T
Carolina Wren *	PR	T

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Thrushes

Eastern Bluebird *	PR	T, M
Veery	T	T
Gray-Cheeked Thrush	T	T
Swainson's Thrush	T	T
Hermit Thrush	WR	T
American Robin *	PR	T

Gnatcatcher, Kinglet

Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher *	SR	T
Golden-Crowned Kinglet*	WR	T
Ruby-Crowned Kinglet *	WR	T

Sparrows

Eastern Towhee *	PR	T
Chipping Sparrow *	W, T	T
Field Sparrow *	T	T
Vesper Sparrow	T	T
Savannah Sparrow *	WR	M, T
Saltmarsh Sparrow	WV	M
Nelson's Sparrow	WV	M
Seaside Sparrow	PR	M
Fox Sparrow	WV	T
Song Sparrow *	WV	T
Swamp Sparrow	WR	M, T
White-Throated Sparrow *	WR	T
White-Crowned Sparrow	WV	T
House Sparrow*	PR	T
Dark-Eyed Junco *	WR	T

Owls

Eastern Screech-Owl	PR	T
Great Horned Owl *	PR	T
Barred Owl	PR	T

Mockingbirds, Thrashers

Gray Catbird *	PR	T
Brown Thrasher *	PR	T
Northern Mockingbird *	PR	T

Swallows

Purple Martin	SR	B,E,M
Tree Swallow	WR	B,M,T
N. Rough-Winged Swallow*	SR	B, M
Bank Swallow	T	M
Cliff Swallow	T	E, M
Barn Swallow	SR	B, E, M

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Warblers

Ovenbird *	T	T
Worm-Eating Warbler	T	T
Louisiana Waterthrush	T	T
Northern Waterthrush *	T	T
Black-and-White Warbler *	T	T
Prothonotary Warbler	T	T
Orange-Crowned Warbler	WR	T
Common Yellowthroat *	PR	M, T
Hooded Warbler	T	T
American Redstart *	T	T
Cape May Warbler	T	T
Northern Parula	S	T
Magnolia Warbler	T	T
Bay-Breasted Warbler	T	T
Blackburnian Warbler	T	T
Yellow Warbler	T	T
Black-Throated Blue Warbler	T	T
Palm Warbler *	T	T
Pine Warbler *	PR	T
Yellow-Rumped Warbler *	WR	T
Yellow-Throated Warbler	T	T
Yellow-Breasted Chat	SR	T
Prairie Warbler	SR	T





Signs are placed along the trail to show visitors the way in and out. It's a rough and uneven trail, so wear sturdy shoes.