

Ichetucknee Springs State Park BIRD CHECKLIST

SEASONS:

These categories indicate the general periods in which to expect the various species.

Sp = **Spring** (March—May) **F** = **Fall** (Sept.–Nov.)
Su = **Summer** (June—Aug.) **W** = **Winter** (Dec.-Feb.)

CATEGORIES OF ABUNDANCE:

These designations apply to the relative abundance of species seen or heard) in the “appropriate habitat.”

- A** = **Abundant** = Conspicuously present; observed nearly every day and in large numbers or as a substantially established population.
- C** = **Common** = Observed a few to several times per week, sometimes in large numbers.
- F** = **Fairly Common** = Observed several times per month or season, usually with groups or populations in smaller numbers.
- J** = **Uncommon** = Observed only a few times per season or year, usually in small numbers and/or with appearances infrequent and sporadic.
- R** = **Rare** = Species not expected; observed once or twice during a year or over many years but always within the historic range of the species.
- X** = **Accidental** = Species observed outside its historic range, usually with fewer than 5 confirmed records—may apply to out-of-season records of “regular” species as well.
- ‡** = Indicates confirmed breeding record within the park.

These categories are only relative, subjective indices of bird abundance. Used in conjunction with observations in the appropriate habitat, they should give one a feel for the relative distribution and abundance of birds within the park.

TAXONOMY:

Bird names and arrangement of species follow the A.O.U. Checklist of North American Birds, Seventh Edition, 2004.

Waterfowl	Sp	Su	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Fulvous Whistling-Duck				X
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	R			
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose				R
<input type="checkbox"/> * Wood Duck	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	R		R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal	U		U	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Pintail				R
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck				R
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Scaup	R			
Turkeys & Allies				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Wild Turkey	A	A	A	A
New World Quails				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Northern Bobwhite	A	A	A	A
Loons				
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Loon	R			R
Grebes				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed Grebe	F	R	R	C
Cormorants				
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant	F	F	F	U
Darters				
<input type="checkbox"/> Anhinga	U	F	F	F
Herons, Egrets & Allies				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Bittern	R		R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron	A	C	C	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Egret	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Egret	R	R	R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Little Blue Heron	C	C	C	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Tricolored Heron		U	R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Cattle Egret	F	F	U	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Green Heron	C	C	F	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	R	R	R	X
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-crowned Night-Heron	R	R	R	R
Ibises & Spoonbills				
<input type="checkbox"/> White Ibis	C	C	U	F
<input type="checkbox"/> Roseate Spoonbill		R		
Storks				
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Stork	U	R	U	U
New World Vultures				
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Vulture	C	U	F	F
Kites, Eagles & Hawks				
<input type="checkbox"/> Osprey	C	F	F	U
<input type="checkbox"/> * Swallow-tailed Kite	C	C	R	
<input type="checkbox"/> * Mississippi Kite	C	A	R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle	U	U	R	U
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier	R		R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk	R		F	F
<input type="checkbox"/> * Cooper's Hawk	R	R	R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> * Red-shouldered Hawk	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> * Broad-winged Hawk	C	C	U	R
<input type="checkbox"/> * Red-tailed Hawk	A	A	A	A
Falcons				
<input type="checkbox"/> * American Kestrel	A	A	F	C

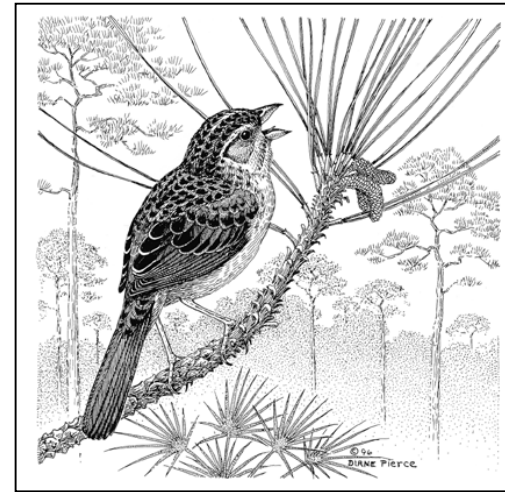
Rails and Gallinules	Sp	Su	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Virginia Rail	R		R	R
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<input type="checkbox"/> American Coot	F	R	U	F
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Gallinule	R	R		R
Limpkin				
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Cranes				
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill Crane	U		C	C
Plovers				
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Sandpipers				
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Pigeons & Doves				
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<input type="checkbox"/> * Mourning Dove	A	A	C	A
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Cuckoos				
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-billed Cuckoo			R	
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Barn Owl				
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Owls				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Eastern Screech-Owl	F	F	F	F
<input type="checkbox"/> * Great Horned Owl	F	F	F	F
<input type="checkbox"/> * Barred Owl	A	A	A	A
Nightjars				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Common Nighthawk	F	C	R	
<input type="checkbox"/> * Chuck-will's-widow	C	F	R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Whip-poor-will	R		R	R
Swifts				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Chimney Swift	F	C	F	
Hummingbirds				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Ruby-throated Hummingbird	C	C	R	
Kingfishers				
<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher	C	C	C	C
Woodpeckers				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Red-headed Woodpecker	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> * Red-bellied Woodpecker	A	A	A	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	R		F	C
<input type="checkbox"/> * Downy Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker	R	R	R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker	C	U	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> * Pileated Woodpecker	A	A	A	A
Tyrant Flycatchers				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Eastern Wood-Pewee	U	R	U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Flycatcher			R	
<input type="checkbox"/> * Acadian Flycatcher	C	C	F	

Tyrant Flycatchers, Cont'd	Sp	Su	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe	C		C	A
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<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird	U	U	R	
Shrikes				
<input type="checkbox"/> Loggerhead Shrike	R	R	R	R
Vireos				
<input type="checkbox"/> * White-eyed Vireo	A	C	C	C
<input type="checkbox"/> * Yellow-throated Vireo	F	F	U	X
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo	U		U	F
<input type="checkbox"/> * Red-eyed Vireo	A	C	C	X
Jays & Crows				
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<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Crow	R	U	R	R
Swallows				
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Martin	U	U	R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow	R		R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow	F	U	R	
Chickadees & Titmice				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Carolina Chickadee	C	C	C	C
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Nuthatches				
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Creepers				
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Wrens				
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<input type="checkbox"/> House Wren	R		R	R
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Kinglets				
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-crowned Kinglet				R
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Old World Warblers				
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Thrushes				
<input type="checkbox"/> * Eastern Bluebird	F	F	F	C
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<input type="checkbox"/> Gray-cheeked Thrush	R		R	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Thrush	R		R	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Robin	F		F	A
Mimics				
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird	F		U	F
<input type="checkbox"/> * Northern Mockingbird	F	C	C	F
<input type="checkbox"/> * Brown Thrasher	C	C	F	F
Starlings				
<input type="checkbox"/> * European Starling		U	R	U
Waxwings				
<input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing	F		R	F

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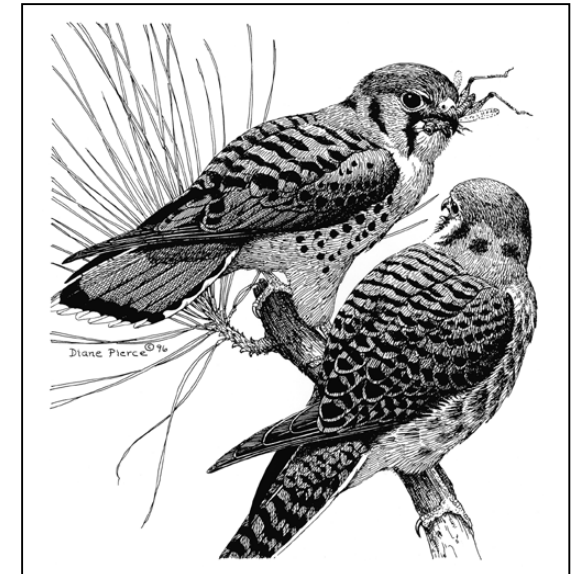
BIRD CHECKLIST



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Front panel: American Kestrel
Back panel: Bachman's Sparrow



FIELD NOTES

We hope you enjoy your visit to Ichetucknee Springs State Park. If you encounter any bird species that are not on this checklist, please notify park personnel or drop this checklist off at one of our Ranger Stations or Educational Center. Thank you!

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OBSERVER(S): _____

DATE(S): _____
TIME(S): _____

WEATHER: _____

LOCALITY: _____

TOTAL SPECIES: _____
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS: _____

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New World Warblers	Sp	Su	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Warbler	R		R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-winged Warbler			R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Warbler	R		R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Orange-crowned Warbler	R		R	U
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Northern Parula	A	A	F	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Warbler	R	R	R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chestnut-sided Warbler	R		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Magnolia Warbler	R		U	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cape May Warbler	R		R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Blue Warbler	U		R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler	C		F	A
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Green Warbler	R		R	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yellow-throated Warbler	F	U	F	U
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pine Warbler	F	F	F	F
<input type="checkbox"/> Prairie Warbler	R		R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Palm Warbler	C		U	C
<input type="checkbox"/> Bay-breasted Warbler	R		R	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-white Warbler	F	R	F	F
<input type="checkbox"/> American Redstart	R	R	F	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prothonotary Warbler	R	F	U	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Warbler			R	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Waterthrush	F	R	F	R
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<input type="checkbox"/> Kentucky Warbler			R	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat	F	U	U	F
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Tanagers				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Summer Tanager	A	A	F	
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Sparrows & Allies				
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<input type="checkbox"/> Chipping Sparrow	F		R	F
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Cardinals & Allies				
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indigo Bunting	U	F	F	

Blackbirds & Allies	Sp	Su	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Bobolink	R		R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird	R	U	F	F
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eastern Meadowlark	R	R	R	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Grackle	U	R	U	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Boat-tailed Grackle	R	R	R	R
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird	C	F	R	R
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Orchard Oriole	F	U	R	
<input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore Oriole	R		R	R
Finches				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Goldfinch	F		F	A
Old World Sparrows				
<input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow	R	R	R	R

Total species on checklist: 175

On very rare occasions, birds not normally encountered in the north-central Florida region have visited Ichetucknee Springs from other parts of Florida or the southeastern U.S., or they may be accidental or vagrant species from more remote locations.

Birds that fit into these categories include the following:

Snail Kite 1990

Ichetucknee Springs State Park encompasses 2,276 acres surrounding the headwaters of the Ichetucknee River, a tributary of the Santa Fe River in north-central Florida in Columbia and Suwannee Counties. The Ichetucknee River arises from numerous springs that are fed from a 250-square mile basin lying to the north in the region of Lake City. The combined flow of these magnificent springs creates an impressive first magnitude system that has made the Ichetucknee world-famous as a tubing river.

The crystal clear, 72-degree waters are home for an amazing variety of wildlife. The river courses through hardwood hammocks, floodplain marshes, and floodplain swamps on its southward journey and offers many opportunities for superb river recreation and nature study. In addition to the many birds that forage along the river, occasionally turtles, snakes, otters, and beavers may be observed.

The xeric uplands adjacent the river feature rolling pine forests and high-quality sandhills. White-tailed deer, bobcats, and indigo snakes are sometimes seen along the park's hiking and nature trails. During the wildflower season, the diversity and beauty of the flora is spectacular. These sandhills are also important breeding localities for resident American Kestrels and Bachman's Sparrows.

The pristine ambience of the river and the wonderful variety of its wildlife habitats make a visit to Ichetucknee Springs State Park an unforgettable experience.