

## SPECIES IN BOLD

Threatened (T) indicates a bird species that is protected under the Endangered Species Act of the State of Michigan. Also on this list are species of Special Concern (SC). While not afforded legal protection under the act, these species are of concern because of declining or relict populations in the state. If they continue to decline, they would be recommended for Threatened or Endangered status. Seven state-listed species can be found on this checklist.

## STATUS CODES

The status codes indicate the highest level of breeding behavior that has been observed for a particular species in our parks and natural areas.

- 1: Observed during breeding season.
- 2: Probable breeder.
- 3: Confirmed breeder.

## ABUNDANCE CODES

The abundance codes reflect the probability that a moderately skilled observer will find a particular species during the breeding bird season of late May to mid-July.

**Abundant (A):** Very likely to be seen in parks and natural areas, especially if in the appropriate habitat.

**Common (C):** Common in parks and natural areas, but may be a bit harder to find than an abundant species.

**Uncommon (U):** Less common and perhaps more secretive.

**Rare (R):** Few sightings over the years or very local to a particular park or natural area.

## How do I get involved with NAP?

Join us at NAP public workdays to remove invasive species, improve trails, and collect and disperse native seeds. Sign up for the **burn crew** and help us conduct prescribed burns for a few weeks in early spring and fall after you've attended our annual training session held in late February. Join us at the **Natural Features Inventory** kickoffs this spring to learn about inventorying frogs & toads, salamanders, and breeding birds. Or help us document our restoration activities by taking pictures in the parks and become a **Photo Monitor**. Ready for more? Become a **Park Steward** or **Adopt-a-Park**. We're always looking for individuals who have an ongoing interest in a specific park who would like to help with workdays!

## How can I help with the Breeding Bird Survey in the future?

Our Breeding Bird Survey Kickoff happens every year in mid-April- keep an eye on our website or call us for the precise day and time. Spend the winter studying your field guides and getting to know the most common birds by sight and sound. Go birding whenever you can, then come to the kickoff and learn how to record your observations and hone your skills. Learn more about the Breeding Bird Survey at <http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbs/about/>.

Not ready to commit to the BBS, or just want to get outside and learn about birds? Join us for a bird-watching walk! Check our website or give us a call for the schedule. Learn more about area birds at <http://www.washtenawaudubon.org/>.



### Natural Area Preservation

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Thanks to the Florida Center for Instructional Technology for the lovely bird drawings!



Great Blue Heron

## Field Checklist of Ann Arbor's Breeding Birds

The following birds have been found in Ann Arbor's parks and natural areas during the breeding season, May to July. The list was created using data collected by Breeding Bird Survey volunteers and Natural Area Preservation staff from 1995 to 2007. In that time period, there have been 124 breeding bird species observed! Why don't you head out to one of our 157 parks and see how many you can spot?



Red-winged Blackbird

Geese, Swans & Ducks		
	Status	Abundance
___ Mute Swan	3	U
___ Trumpeter Swan	2	R
___ Canada Goose	3	C
___ Wood Duck	3	U
___ American Black Duck	1	R
___ Mallard	3	C
___ Blue-winged Teal	1	R
___ Hooded Merganser	3	R

Grouse, Turkeys & Pheasants		
	Status	Abundance
___ Ring-necked Pheasant	2	R
___ Ruffed Grouse	2	R
___ Wild Turkey	1	R

Grebes		
	Status	Abundance
___ Pied-billed Grebe	3	U

Cormorants		
	Status	Abundance
___ Double-crested Cormorant	2	U

Bitterns & Herons		
	Status	Abundance
___ Great Blue Heron	1	C
___ Great Egret	1	U
___ Green Heron	3	U

Storks & Vultures		
	Status	Abundance
___ Turkey Vulture	3	C

Hawks, Eagles & Falcons		
	Status	Abundance
___ Northern Harrier (SC)	1	R
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	R
___ Cooper's Hawk	3	U
___ Broad-winged Hawk	3	R
___ Red-tailed Hawk	3	U
___ American Kestrel	3	R

Rails and Coots		
	Status	Abundance
___ Virginia Rail	2	R
___ Sora	3	R
___ Common Moorhen (SC)	1	R
___ American Coot	3	R

Cranes		
	Status	Abundance
___ Sandhill Crane	1	R

Shorebirds		
	Status	Abundance
___ Killdeer	3	C
___ Spotted Sandpiper	3	U
___ Upland Sandpiper	1	R
___ American Woodcock	3	U

Gulls		
	Status	Abundance
___ Ring-billed Gull	1	C
___ Herring Gull	1	R

Pigeons & Doves		
	Status	Abundance
___ Rock Pigeon	3	C
___ Mourning Dove	3	A

Cuckoos		
	Status	Abundance
___ Black-billed Cuckoo	2	U
___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo	2	U

Owls		
	Status	Abundance
___ Eastern Screech Owl	2	R
___ Great Horned Owl	3	R
___ Barred Owl	1	R

Goatsuckers		
	Status	Abundance
___ Common Nighthawk	1	U

Swifts		
	Status	Abundance
___ Chimney Swift	1	C

Hummingbirds		
	Status	Abundance
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird	3	U

Kingfishers		
	Status	Abundance
___ Belted Kingfisher	3	U

Woodpeckers		
	Status	Abundance
___ Red-headed Woodpecker	1	R
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker	3	A
___ Downy Woodpecker	3	A
___ Hairy Woodpecker	3	C
___ Northern Flicker	3	A

Flycatchers		
	Status	Abundance
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee	3	A
___ Acadian Flycatcher	3	U
___ Alder Flycatcher	1	R
___ Least Flycatcher	2	U
___ Willow Flycatcher	3	U
___ Eastern Phoebe	3	C
___ Great Crested Flycatcher	3	C
___ Eastern Kingbird	3	C

Vireos		
	Status	Abundance
___ White-eyed Vireo	2	R
___ Yellow-throated Vireo	3	U
___ Blue-headed Vireo	3	R
___ Warbling Vireo	3	C
___ Red-eyed Vireo	3	A

Corvids		
	Status	Abundance
___ Blue Jay	3	A
___ American Crow	3	A

Larks		
	Status	Abundance
___ Horned Lark	3	R

Swallows		
	Status	Abundance
___ Purple Martin	1	R
___ Tree Swallow	3	C
___ Cliff Swallow	3	U
___ Barn Swallow	3	C
___ N. Rough-winged Swallow	2	U
___ Bank Swallow	3	U

Chickadees & Titmice		
	Status	Abundance
___ Tufted Titmouse	3	A
___ Black-capped Chickadee	3	A

Nuthatches & Creepers		
	Status	Abundance
___ Brown Creeper	2	R
___ White-breasted Nuthatch	3	A
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	3	R

Wrens		
	Status	Abundance
___ Carolina Wren	3	C
___ House Wren	3	C
___ Sedge Wren	3	R
___ Marsh Wren (SC)	2	R

Gnatcatchers & Kinglets		
	Status	Abundance
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	3	C
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	2	R

Thrushes & Mimids		
	Status	Abundance
___ Eastern Bluebird	3	U
___ Wood Thrush	3	U
___ American Robin	3	A
___ Gray Catbird	3	A
___ Northern Mockingbird	1	R
___ Brown Thrasher	3	R

Starlings		
	Status	Abundance
___ European Starling	3	C

Waxwings		
	Status	Abundance
___ Cedar Waxwing	3	C

Wood Warblers		
	Status	Abundance
___ Blue-winged Warbler	3	R
___ Yellow Warbler	3	C
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler	2	R
___ Black-throated Green Warbler	2	R
___ Hooded Warbler (SC)	3	R
___ Cerulean Warbler (SC)	2	R
___ Ovenbird	2	U
___ Common Yellowthroat	3	C
___ American Redstart	2	U
___ Yellow-breasted Chat	2	R

Tanagers		
	Status	Abundance
___ Summer Tanager	2	R
___ Scarlet Tanager	3	U

Sparrows & allies		
	Status	Abundance
___ Eastern Towhee	3	U
___ Chipping Sparrow	3	U
___ Field Sparrow	3	U
___ Savannah Sparrow	3	U
___ Grasshopper Sparrow (SC)	3	R
___ Henslow's Sparrow (T)	2	R
___ Song Sparrow	3	A
___ Swamp Sparrow	2	U

Grosbeaks & Buntings		
	Status	Abundance
___ Northern Cardinal	3	A
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	3	C
___ Indigo Bunting	3	U

Blackbirds & allies		
	Status	Abundance
___ Bobolink	3	R
___ Red-winged Blackbird	3	A
___ Eastern Meadowlark	3	R
___ Common Grackle	3	C
___ Brown-headed Cowbird	3	C
___ Orchard Oriole	3	R
___ Baltimore Oriole	3	C

Finches & allies		
	Status	Abundance
___ House Finch	3	U
___ American Goldfinch	3	A

Weaver Finches		
	Status	Abundance
___ House Sparrow	3	U