

Field Checklist of the Birds of Howard County, Maryland

**Howard County Bird Club**

A Chapter of the Maryland Ornithological Society

_____	Pink-footed Goose *	A	_____	● Ruby-throated Hummingbird	M,SR	_____	Red-throated Loon *	C
_____	Gtr White-fronted Goose *	A	_____	Rufous Hummingbird *	A	_____	Common Loon	M,WV
_____	Snow Goose	M,WV	_____	Black Rail *	A	_____	Double-crested Cormorant	M,SV,WV
_____	Ross's Goose *	A	_____	King Rail *	C	_____	Anhinga *	A
_____	Brant *	H	_____	● Virginia Rail	M, SR	_____	American Bittern	M
_____	Cackling Goose	WV	_____	American Coot	M,WV	_____	Least Bittern *	C
_____	● Canada Goose	M,PR	_____	Limpkin *	A	_____	● Great Blue Heron	M,PR
_____	● Mute Swan *	C	_____	Sandhill Crane *	C	_____	Great Egret	M,SV
_____	Trumpeter Swan	A	_____	Black-necked Stilt *	A	_____	Snowy Egret *	C
_____	Tundra Swan	M,WV	_____	American Avocet *	C	_____	Little Blue Heron	M,SV
_____	● Wood Duck	M,SR,WV	_____	● Sora	M	_____	Tricolored Heron *	A
_____	● Gadwall	M,WV	_____	Black-bellied Plover	M	_____	Cattle Egret	M,SV
_____	Eurasian Wigeon *	A	_____	American Golden-Plover	M	_____	● Green Heron	M,SR
_____	American Wigeon	M,WV	_____	● Common Gallinule *	C	_____	Black-crowned Night-Heron	M,SV
_____	● American Black Duck	M,WV	_____	Semipalmated Plover	M	_____	● Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	SV
_____	● Mallard	M,PR	_____	Piping Plover *	A	_____	White Ibis *	C
_____	Blue-winged Teal	M	_____	● Killdeer	M,PR	_____	Glossy Ibis	C
_____	Northern Shoveler	M,WV	_____	Upland Sandpiper	C	_____	● Black Vulture	M,PR
_____	Northern Pintail	M,WV	_____	Whimbrel*	H	_____	● Turkey Vulture	M,PR
_____	Green-winged Teal	M,WV	_____	Ruddy Turnstone *	H	_____	● Osprey	M,SV
_____	Canvasback	M,WV	_____	Red Knot *	H	_____	Swallow-tailed Kite *	A
_____	Redhead	M,WV	_____	Stilt Sandpiper *	C	_____	Mississippi Kite *	C
_____	Ring-necked Duck	M,WV	_____	Sanderling	C	_____	● Bald Eagle	M,PR
_____	Greater Scaup	M,WV	_____	Dunlin	C	_____	Northern Harrier	M,WV
_____	Lesser Scaup	M,WV	_____	Baird's Sandpiper *	A	_____	Sharp-shinned Hawk	M,WR
_____	Surf Scoter *	C	_____	Least Sandpiper	M,SV	_____	● Cooper's Hawk	M,PR
_____	White-winged Scoter *	C	_____	White-rumped Sandpiper *	C	_____	Northern Goshawk *	M,WV
_____	Black Scoter *	C	_____	Buff-breasted Sandpiper *	C	_____	● Red-shouldered Hawk	M,PR
_____	Long-tailed Duck	M,WV	_____	Pectoral Sandpiper	M,SV	_____	● Broad-winged Hawk	M,SR
_____	Bufflehead	M,WV	_____	Semipalmated Sandpiper	M,SV	_____	● Red-tailed Hawk	M,PR
_____	Common Goldeneye	M,WV	_____	Western Sandpiper *	C	_____	Rough-legged Hawk *	M,WV
_____	● Hooded Merganser	M,WV	_____	Short-billed Dowitcher *	C	_____	Golden Eagle *	C
_____	● Common Merganser	M,WR	_____	Long-billed Dowitcher *	A	_____	● Barn Owl *	C
_____	Red-breasted Merganser	M,WV	_____	Wilson's Snipe	M,WV	_____	● Eastern Screech-Owl	PR
_____	Ruddy Duck	M,WV	_____	● American Woodcock	M,SR,WV	_____	● Great Horned Owl	PR
_____	● Northern Bobwhite *	PR	_____	● Spotted Sandpiper	M,SV	_____	Snowy Owl *	A
_____	● Ring-necked Pheasant *	PR	_____	Solitary Sandpiper	M,SV	_____	● Barred Owl	PR
_____	● Wild Turkey	PR	_____	Greater Yellowlegs	M,SV	_____	Long-eared Owl	C
_____	Pied-billed Grebe	M,WV	_____	Lesser Yellowlegs	M,SV	_____	Short-eared Owl	C
_____	Horned Grebe	M,WV	_____	Wilson's Phalarope *	A	_____	Northern Saw-whet Owl	C
_____	Red-necked Grebe *	C	_____	Red Phalarope *	A	_____	● Belted Kingfisher	PR
_____	Eared Grebe *	A	_____	Sabine's Gull *	A	_____	● Red-headed Woodpecker	M,WV, SR
_____	Western Grebe *	H	_____	Bonaparte's Gull	M,WV	_____	● Red-bellied Woodpecker	PR
_____	● Rock Pigeon	PR	_____	Little Gull *	A	_____	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	M,WV
_____	Eurasian Collared-Dove *	A	_____	Laughing Gull	M	_____	● Downy Woodpecker	PR
_____	● Mourning Dove	PR	_____	Ring-billed Gull	M,SV,WR	_____	● Hairy Woodpecker	PR
_____	● Yellow-billed Cuckoo	M,SR	_____	Herring Gull	M,WR	_____	● Northern Flicker	M,PR
_____	● Black-billed Cuckoo	M,SR	_____	Thayer's Gull *	A	_____	● Pileated Woodpecker	PR
_____	Common Nighthawk	M	_____	Iceland Gull *	C	_____	● American Kestrel	M,PR
_____	Chuck-will's-widow *	C	_____	Lesser Black-backed Gull *	C	_____	Merlin	M,WV
_____	● Eastern Whip-poor-will	M,SR?	_____	Glaucous Gull *	C	_____	Peregrine Falcon	M,WV
_____	● Chimney Swift	M,SR	_____	Great Black-backed Gull	M,WV	_____	Olive-sided Flycatcher	M
_____	Mexican Violetear *	A	_____	Least Tern *	A	_____	● Eastern Wood-Pewee	M,SR
			_____	Caspian Tern	M,SV	_____	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	M
			_____	Black Tern	C	_____	● Acadian Flycatcher	M,SR
			_____	Common Tern *	C	_____	Alder Flycatcher *	C
			_____	Forster's Tern	M	_____	● Willow Flycatcher	M,SR

\_\_\_\_\_ ● Least Flycatcher M,SV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Eastern Phoebe M,SR,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Great Crested Flycatcher M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Eastern Kingbird M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Loggerhead Shrike \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Shrike \* A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● White-eyed Vireo M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Yellow-throated Vireo M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blue-headed Vireo M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Philadelphia Vireo M (fall)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Warbling Vireo M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Red-eyed Vireo M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Blue Jay M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● American Crow PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Fish Crow PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Common Raven C,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Horned Lark M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Purple Martin M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Tree Swallow M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● N. Rough-winged Swallow M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Bank Swallow M,SV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Cliff Swallow M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Barn Swallow M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Carolina Chickadee PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-capped Chickadee \* C,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Tufted Titmouse PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red-breasted Nuthatch M,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● White-breasted Nuthatch M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brown Creeper M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● House Wren M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Winter Wren M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Sedge Wren \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Marsh Wren M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Carolina Wren PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Blue-gray Gnatcatcher M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Kinglet M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Ruby-crowned Kinglet M,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Eastern Bluebird PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Veery M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Gray-cheeked Thrush M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bicknell's Thrush \* A,M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Hermit Thrush M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Wood Thrush M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● American Robin M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Varied Thrush \* A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Gray Catbird M,SR,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Brown Thrasher M,SR,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Northern Mockingbird PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● European Starling PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Cedar Waxwing M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● House Sparrow PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Pipit M,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● House Finch PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Purple Finch M,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red Crossbill \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-winged Crossbill \* C

\_\_\_\_\_ Common Redpoll \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Pine Siskin M,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● American Goldfinch PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Grosbeak \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lapland Longspur \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Snow Bunting \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Ovenbird M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Worm-eating Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Orange-crowned Warbler M,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Louisiana Waterthrush M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Waterthrush M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Golden-winged Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Blue-winged Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Black-and-white Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Prothonotary Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Tennessee Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Nashville Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Connecticut Warbler M (fall)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mourning Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Kentucky Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Common Yellowthroat M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Hooded Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● American Redstart M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Cape May Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Cerulean Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Northern Parula M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Magnolia Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bay-breasted Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blackburnian Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Yellow Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chestnut-sided Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blackpoll Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-throated Blue Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Palm Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Pine Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-rumped (Myrtle) Warbler M,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Yellow-throated Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Prairie Warbler M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-throated Green Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Canada Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Warbler M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Yellow-breasted Chat M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Eastern Towhee M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Tree Sparrow M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Chipping Sparrow M,SR,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Clay-colored Sparrow \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Field Sparrow M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Vesper Sparrow M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lark Sparrow \* A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Savannah Sparrow M,WR,SR?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Grasshopper Sparrow M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Henslow's Sparrow \* C  
 \_\_\_\_\_ LeConte's Sparrow \* A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Nelson's Sparrow \* M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Fox Sparrow M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Song Sparrow M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lincoln's Sparrow M

\_\_\_\_\_ Swamp Sparrow M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-throated Sparrow M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Harris's Sparrow \* A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-crowned Sparrow M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Dark-eyed Junco M,WR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Summer Tanager M,SV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Scarlet Tanager M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Tanager A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Northern Cardinal PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rose-breasted Grosbeak M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Blue Grosbeak M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Indigo Bunting M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Painted Bunting \* A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Dickcissel \* M,SV,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bobolink M  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Red-winged Blackbird M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Eastern Meadowlark PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-headed Blackbird \* A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rusty Blackbird M,WV  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brewer's Blackbird \* A  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Common Grackle M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Brown-headed Cowbird M,PR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Orchard Oriole M,SR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ● Baltimore Oriole M,SR

● Breeding evidence (may be a single record)  
 ○ Historical breeding record prior to 1983.  
 \* Asterisk indicates written details or a photograph are required.

PR - Permanent Resident  
 SR - Summer Resident  
 SV - Summer Visitor  
 WR - Winter Resident  
 WV - Winter Visitor  
 M - Migrant  
 C - Casual - (at least 6 records; highly irregular occurrence)  
 A - Accidental - (1-5 records with photo or specimen; 3-5 without)  
 H - Hypothetical - (1-2 records without a photograph, specimen, or Maryland/District of Columbia Records Committee acceptance)  
 [For C, A, or H categories, **activate the Rare Bird Alert**: email info@howardbirds.org]

	Hybrids	Extirpated
_____	Brewster's Warbler *	Ruffed Grouse
_____	Lawrence's Warbler *	Passenger Pigeon
		Bewick's Wren

Historical Record: Bachman's Sparrow – record 1955

Spring - March-May                      Autumn - August-November  
 Summer - June-July                      Winter - December-February

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