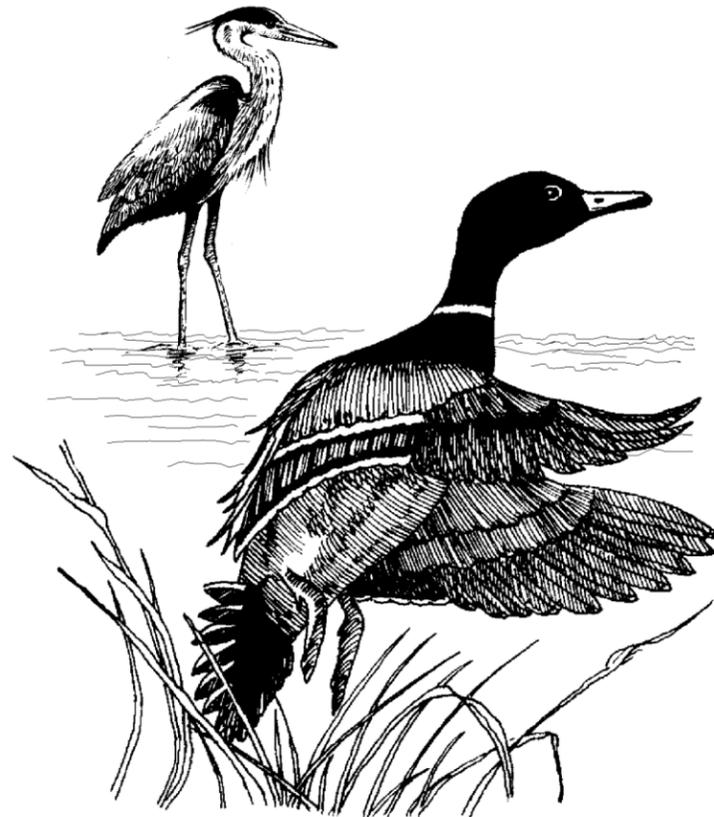


Birds

Marsh Creek State Park



#	Name	Habitat	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Wrens (cont'd)														
—	House Wren	★												
—	Winter Wren	★												
—	Sedge Wren	★												
—	Marsh Wren	☼												
Kinglets														
—	Golden-crowned Kinglet	▲												
—	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	▲												
Gnatcatchers														
—	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	▲												
Thrushes														
—	Eastern Bluebird	☼												
—	Veery	▲												
—	Gray-cheeked Thrush	▲												
—	Swainson's Thrush	▲												
—	Hermit Thrush	▲												
—	Wood Thrush	▲												
—	American Robin	★												
—	Varied Thrush	▲												
Mockingbirds & Thrashers														
—	Gray Catbird	☼												
—	Northern Mockingbird	☼												
—	Brown Thrasher	☼												
Starlings														
—	European Starling	★												
Pipits														
—	American Pipit	☼												
Waxwings														
—	Cedar Waxwing	☼												
Warblers & Chats														
—	Blue-winged Warbler	☼												
—	Golden-winged Warbler	☼												
—	Tennessee Warbler	▲												
—	Orange-crowned Warbler	☼												
—	Nashville Warbler	▲												
—	Northern Parula	▲												
—	Yellow Warbler	▲												
—	Chestnut-sided Warbler	☼												
—	Magnolia Warbler	▲												
—	Cape May Warbler	▲												
—	Black-throated Blue Warbler	▲												
—	Yellow-rumped Warbler	▲												
—	Black-throated Green Warbler	▲												
—	Blackburnian Warbler	▲												
—	Yellow-throated Warbler	▲												
—	Pine Warbler	▲												
—	Prairie Warbler	☼												
—	Palm Warbler	▲												
—	Bay-breasted Warbler	▲												
—	Blackpoll Warbler	▲												
—	Cerulean Warbler	▲												
—	Black-and-white Warbler	▲												
—	American Redstart	▲												
—	Prothonotary Warbler	▲												
—	Worm-eating Warbler	▲												
—	Ovenbird	▲												
—	Northern Waterthrush	☼												
—	Louisiana Waterthrush	☼												
—	Kentucky Warbler	▲												
—	Connecticut Warbler	▲												
—	Mourning Warbler	▲												
—	Common Yellowthroat	☼												
—	Hooded Warbler	▲												
—	Wilson's Warbler	▲												
—	Canada Warbler	▲												
—	Yellow-breasted Chat	☼												
Tanagers														
—	Summer Tanager	▲												
—	Scarlet Tanager	▲												
Emberizids														
—	Eastern Towhee	☼												
—	American Tree Sparrow	☼												
—	Chipping Sparrow	☼												
—	Clay-colored Sparrow	☼												
—	Field Sparrow	☼												
—	Vesper Sparrow	☼												
—	Savannah Sparrow	☼												
—	Grasshopper Sparrow	☼												
—	Henslow's Sparrow	☼												
—	Fox Sparrow	☼												

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Emberizids (cont'd)														
—	Song Sparrow	☼												
—	Lincoln's Sparrow	☼												
—	Swamp Sparrow	☼												
—	White-throated Sparrow	☼												
—	Harris's Sparrow	☼												
—	White-crowned Sparrow	☼												
—	Dark-eyed Junco	☼												
—	Lapland Longspur	—												
—	Snow Bunting	☼												
Cardinals & Allies														
—	Northern Cardinal	☼												
—	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	☼												
—	Blue Grosbeak	☼												
—	Indigo Bunting	☼												
—	Dickcissel	☼												
Blackbirds														
—	Bobolink	☼												
—	Red-winged Blackbird	☼												
—	Eastern Meadowlark	☼												
—	Rusty Blackbird	☼												
—	Common Grackle	★												
—	Brown-headed Cowbird	☼												
—	Orchard Oriole	▲												
—	Baltimore Oriole	▲												
Finches & Allies														
—	Pine Grosbeak	▲												
—	Purple Finch	☼	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
—	House Finch	★												
—	Red Crossbill	▲												
—	White-winged Crossbill	▲												
—	Common Redpoll	☼												
—	Pine Siskin	☼	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
—	American Goldfinch	☼												
—	Evening Grosbeak	▲												
Old World Sparrows														
—	House Sparrow	☼												

Probably will find
 Might find
 Lucky to find
 Never seen
 * Irruptive Visitor **Breeding** ☼ Water ▲ Forest ☼ Scrub — Field ★ Anywhere

Unusual Birds with a Few Sightings in the Park

- Black-legged Kittiwake 10/25/83
- Eared Grebe 4/2/1996
- Eurasian Wigeon 1977
- Great Cormorant 10/3-4/2001, 11/02-12/2001
- Little Blue Heron 4/21/03, 8/13/2006
- Loggerhead Shrike 3/1977
- Red Phalarope 4/21/03
- Sanderling 9/4/2003
- White Ibis 7/31/1993

Key Birding Areas and Information

The forests, fields and the large lake make Marsh Creek State Park a great place for birding year-round.

As the largest and deepest body of water in Chester County, Marsh Creek Lake attracts a fantastic diversity of birds throughout the year. In the winter months, many ducks, geese, gulls, grebes, and coots can be found on the lake. During a mild winter, you can often find great blue heron and belted kingfisher. Bald eagles are occasionally spotted during the winter months hunting for a meal in and around the lake.

During spring and fall migration, bird activity picks up around the lake and its coves, hosting migrants and breeding birds alike. Herons and shorebirds can be found foraging in the shallow waters, wetlands, and along the sandy shores. Osprey will use the lake as a stopover for a food source along their long journeys. Several species of swallow and the common nighthawk can be found chasing insects over the surface of the lake.

Eastern bluebirds, sparrows and a variety of blackbird species can be found year-round in the extensive fields around the park. Look for the many bluebird houses throughout the area, which were established as a trail over thirty years ago, and contributed to the comeback of this species in our area.

The wooded trails of the park are great avenues to see the birds of Pennsylvania's piedmont region. Here you can find permanent residents like woodpeckers, Carolina chickadees, titmice, and cardinals. In the spring and summer months, the woodlands boast beautiful songbirds like warblers, scarlet tanagers, Baltimore orioles, and wood thrush.

Date _____ Time _____

Weather _____

Observer _____

♿ Access for People with Disabilities

If you need an accommodation to participate in park activities due to a disability, please contact the park you plan to visit.

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