

# BIRD CHECK LIST

## BROAD MEADOW BROOK WILDLIFE SANCTUARY



### FIELD NOTES

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

Trails taken: \_\_\_\_\_

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Observations: \_\_\_\_\_

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## HOW BROAD MEADOW BROOK WILDLIFE SANCTUARY HELPS BIRDS

**This entire sanctuary is managed with birds in mind.**

- ✦ Broad Meadow Brook protects over 400 acres of habitat, including grasslands and shrublands important for towhees, thrashers, woodcock and songbirds. Nestboxes provide sites for cavity nesters such as eastern bluebirds and tree swallows. Shrubland is maintained by cutting trees and managing invasive plants.
- ✦ The feeders around the Visitor Center provide food. The water garden and bird baths provide a place for birds to drink and bathe.
- ✦ The Visitor Center is landscaped with bird-friendly plantings using native species that provide cover and fruit. Much of the lawn is maintained as meadow to provide habitat for insects – high protein birdfood.
- ✦ We lead birding programs and offer educational programs on birds for all ages.
- ✦ Volunteers participate in breeding bird census and maintain bird feeding stations.



## MASS AUDUBON'S STATEWIDE BIRD CONSERVATION PROJECTS

- ✦ Important Bird Areas (IBAs) are sites providing essential habitat to one or more species of breeding, wintering, and/or migrating birds. The statewide portfolio of 79 IBAs represents critical habitat for every bird species regularly occurring in Massachusetts.
- ✦ Birds, like many Massachusetts residents, flock to the coastal areas of our state. We help protect Piping Plovers, tern species, and coastal habitat at 90 sites in southeastern Massachusetts.
- ✦ This important work cannot be done alone. We depend on the support of our members and work closely with many other organizations, agencies, and landowners.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP.

Turn your checklists into data and contribute to Mass Audubon's knowledge and understanding of Massachusetts' birdlife and the birds of our wildlife sanctuaries. Keep a list of birds on your walk and log on to [www.massaudubon.org/ebird](http://www.massaudubon.org/ebird) to submit your observations. Your sightings will be stored in a database that Mass Audubon scientists can use to track birds on our sanctuaries.

Help us collect important data by participating in Mass Audubon bird monitoring programs including the Oriole Project, the Whip-poor-will Survey, the second statewide Breeding Bird Atlas, or our sanctuary breeding bird surveys. You can also get involved in the annual Christmas Bird Count or our annual Bird-a-thon. For more information, visit our website:

**[www.massaudubon.org](http://www.massaudubon.org)**

# BIRD CHECKLIST FOR BROAD MEADOW BROOK

## Waterfowl, Shorebirds & Gulls

- American Woodcock
- Canada Goose
- Herring Gull
- Killdeer
- Mallard
- Ring-billed Gull
- Solitary Sandpiper
- Virginia Rail
- Wood Duck

## Grouse & Turkey

- Ruffed Grouse
- Wild Turkey

## Cormorants & Herons

- Double-crested Cormorant
- Great Blue Heron
- Green Heron

## Vultures & Raptors

- American Kestrel
- Broad-winged Hawk
- Cooper's Hawk
- Eastern Screech-Owl
- Great Horned Owl
- Osprey
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Turkey Vulture

## Woodpeckers

- Downy Woodpecker
- Hairy Woodpecker
- Northern Flicker
- Red-bellied Woodpecker

## Flycatchers

- Eastern Kingbird
- Eastern Phoebe

- Eastern Wood-Pewee
- Great Crested Flycatcher
- Least Flycatcher
- Willow Flycatcher

## Vireos

- Philadelphia Vireo
- Red-eyed Vireo
- Warbling Vireo

## Jays, Crows & Swallows

- American Crow
- Blue Jay
- Barn Swallow
- Tree Swallow

## Chickadees, Titmice, & Nuthatches

- Black-capped Chickadee
- Tufted Titmouse
- White-breasted Nuthatch

## Pigeons, Creepers & Wrens

- Brown Creeper
- Carolina Wren
- House Wren
- Mourning Dove
- Rock Pigeon
- Winter Wren

## Kinglets & Gnatcatchers

- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
- Golden-crowned Kinglet
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet

## Thrushes & Mimics

- American Robin
- Brown Thrasher
- Eastern Bluebird
- Gray Catbird
- Hermit Thrush

- Northern Mockingbird
- Swainson's Thrush
- Veery
- Wood Thrush

## Warblers

- American Redstart
- Black-and-white Warbler
- Blackburnian Warbler
- Blackpoll Warbler
- Black-throated Blue Warbler
- Black-throated Green Warbler
- Blue-winged Warbler
- Canada Warbler
- Chestnut-sided Warbler
- Common Yellowthroat
- Connecticut Warbler
- Magnolia Warbler
- Nashville Warbler
- Northern Parula
- Northern Waterthrush
- Ovenbird
- Palm Warbler
- Prairie Warbler
- Tennessee Warbler
- Wilson's Warbler
- Yellow-rumped Warbler
- Yellow Warbler

## Sparrows, Cardinals & Tanagers

- American Tree Sparrow
- Chipping Sparrow
- Dark-eyed Junco

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- Eastern Towhee
- Field Sparrow
- Northern Cardinal
- Scarlet Tanager
- Song Sparrow
- Swamp Sparrow
- White-crowned Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow

## Grosbeaks & Buntings

- Indigo Bunting
- Rose-breasted Grosbeak

## Blackbirds & Orioles

- Baltimore Oriole
- Brown-headed Cowbird
- Common Grackle
- Red-winged Blackbird

## Finches & Old World Sparrows

- American Goldfinch
- House Finch
- House Sparrow

## Miscellaneous

- Belted Kingfisher
- Cedar Waxwing
- Chimney Swift
- Common Nighthawk
- European Starling
- Ruby-throated Hummingbird

\* Species order approximately follows American Ornithological Union