

Season:	Sp	S	F	W
Lapland Longspur	-	-	R	R
Cardinals, Grosbeaks, and Allies				
Northern Cardinal*	C	C	C	C
Rose-breasted Grosbeak*	F	-	U	-
Black-headed Grosbeak*	R	-	-	R
Blue Grosbeak*	F	F	F	-
Indigo Bunting*	C	C	C	-
Painted Bunting*	U	U	U	-
Dickcissel*	F	F	F	-
Blackbirds and Allies				
Bobolink*	U	-	R	-
Red-winged Blackbird*	C	C	F	C
Eastern Meadowlark*	F	F	F	F
Western Meadowlark	R	-	R	R
Rusty Blackbird*	U	-	U	U
Brewer's Blackbird*	R	-	R	R
Common Grackle*	C	C	F	C
Brown-headed Cowbird*	C	C	F	F
Orchard Oriole*	C	C	F	-
Baltimore Oriole*	F	U	U	-
Finches				
Pine Grosbeak	-	-	-	R
Purple Finch*	F	-	F	F
House Finch*	U	-	U	U
Red Crossbill	R	-	R	R
Pine Siskin*	U	-	U	U
American Goldfinch*	C	C	C	C
Evening Grosbeak*	U	-	U	U
Old World Sparrows				
House Sparrow*	C	C	C	C

Additional species not on this list (please report sighting at visitor center)

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For specific park records and records concerning accidental species call, write, or email Interpretive Services at:
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BULL SHOALS- WHITE RIVER STATE PARK BIRD CHECKLIST



Wood duck (*Aix sponsa*)
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Bull Shoals-White River State Park, *where water generates life*, is located on the Ozark Plateau in north central Arkansas. The park comprises 732 acres along the shores of both Bull Shoals Lake and the White River. This area provides excellent habitat for spring and fall migrants as well as summer and winter residents. This checklist covers a 15-mile diameter circle with the center being Bull Shoals-White River State Park. Within that area you will find excellent Ozark habitat.

Many birds are found only in certain habitats. We suggest you consult a field guide or ask a park interpreter to help you find a bird's appropriate habitat. Field guides may be purchased at the state park visitor center or the trout dock. If you observe birds not on the list, please report your sightings at the visitor center or camper registration center.

The identity of a bird can usually be determined by its coloration. Look closely for stripes on the head and breast, for eye rings, wing bars and for color along the edge and at the tip of the tail. Also, you'll want to note the length and shape of the bill and the shape of the tail. Consult your field guide for specific field markings.

The following symbols indicate the local status for species on this list:

- C** = Common (frequently observed)
- F** = Fairly common (occasionally observed)
- U** = Uncommon (not ordinarily observed)
- R** = Rare (not expected)
- *** = Documented in the park area
- = Not reported this season

- Sp** = Spring (March–May)
- S** = Summer (June–July)
- F** = Fall (August–November)
- W** = Winter (December–February)



Seasons overlap, thus, some birds may arrive earlier and/or stay later than the months indicated.

NOTICE: To preserve scenic beauty and ecology, fences and warning signs have not been installed in some park locations. Caution and supervision of your children are required while visiting these areas.

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HABITAT: LOOK WHERE THEY LIVE

A habitat is an area that provides the necessities of food, water, shelter and the space to live. From park-like areas to mature deciduous forests, every bird has its own particular home. We suggest you consult a field guide or ask the park interpreter for a bird's appropriate habitat. To assist you we have included a map showing eight habitats found in the park and a few of the birds that are likely to be seen in them. (Refer to map in center of booklet).

DECIDUOUS HARDWOODS

Big Bluff and Lakeside Trails: red-eyed vireo, wood thrush, sharp-shinned hawk, summer tanager, pileated woodpecker.

BLUFF & CEDAR GLADES AREAS

Big Bluff and River: indigo bunting, blue-gray gnatcatcher, turkey vulture, yellow-billed cuckoo, northern rough-winged swallow.

RIVERSIDE CAMPSITE AREA

Dock and Riverside: prothonotary warbler, Kentucky warbler, Louisiana waterthrush, red-bellied woodpecker, osprey, green-backed heron.

PARK-LIKE AREA

Lakeside Picnic Area and Campground: pine warbler, orchard oriole, great crested flycatcher, chipping sparrow, eastern wood pewee, red-headed woodpecker.

BRUSHY AREAS

Bird Photo Blind and Scattered: song sparrow, fox sparrow, gray catbird, Cooper's hawk.

LAKESHORE

Lakeside Trail and Picnic Area: spotted sandpiper, Canada goose, common loon, ring-necked duck, little blue heron.

EDGE EFFECT AREAS

Power Line and Scattered: brown thrasher, white-throated sparrow, red-tailed hawk, Carolina chickadee, downy woodpecker.

DAM AREA

Below Bull Shoals Dam: ring-billed gull, common goldeneye, belted kingfisher, hooded merganser, bufflehead.

Season: Sp S F W

Geese, Dabbling Ducks, and Diving Ducks

Greater White-fronted Goose*	R	-	U	-
Snow Goose*	F	-	F	-
Canada Goose*	U	-	F	F
Wood Duck*	F	F	F	U
Gadwall*	F	-	F	F
American Wigeon*	F	-	F	F
Mallard*	F	U	F	F
Blue-winged Teal*	F	R	F	R
Northern Shoveler*	U	-	U	U
Northern Pintail*	U	-	U	U
Green-winged Teal*	F	-	F	U
Canvasback	R	-	U	R
Redhead*	U	-	U	U
Ring-necked Duck*	F	-	F	F
Greater Scaup	R	-	-	R
Lesser Scaup*	F	-	F	F
Bufflehead*	F	-	F	C
Common Goldeneye*	U	-	U	F
Hooded Merganser*	U	-	U	U
Common Merganser*	R	-	R	U
Red-breasted Merganser	R	-	R	R
Ruddy Duck*	U	-	U	U

Turkey and Quail

Wild Turkey*	U	U	U	U
Northern Bobwhite*	F	F	U	U

Loons to Cormorants

Common Loon*	F	R	F	F
Pied-billed Grebe*	F	R	F	F
Horned Grebe*	F	-	F	F
Eared Grebe*	R	-	R	R
American White Pelican*	U	R	F	U
Brown Pelican*	R	-	R	R
Double-crested Cormorant*	U	-	U	U

Hérons, Egrets, and Vultures

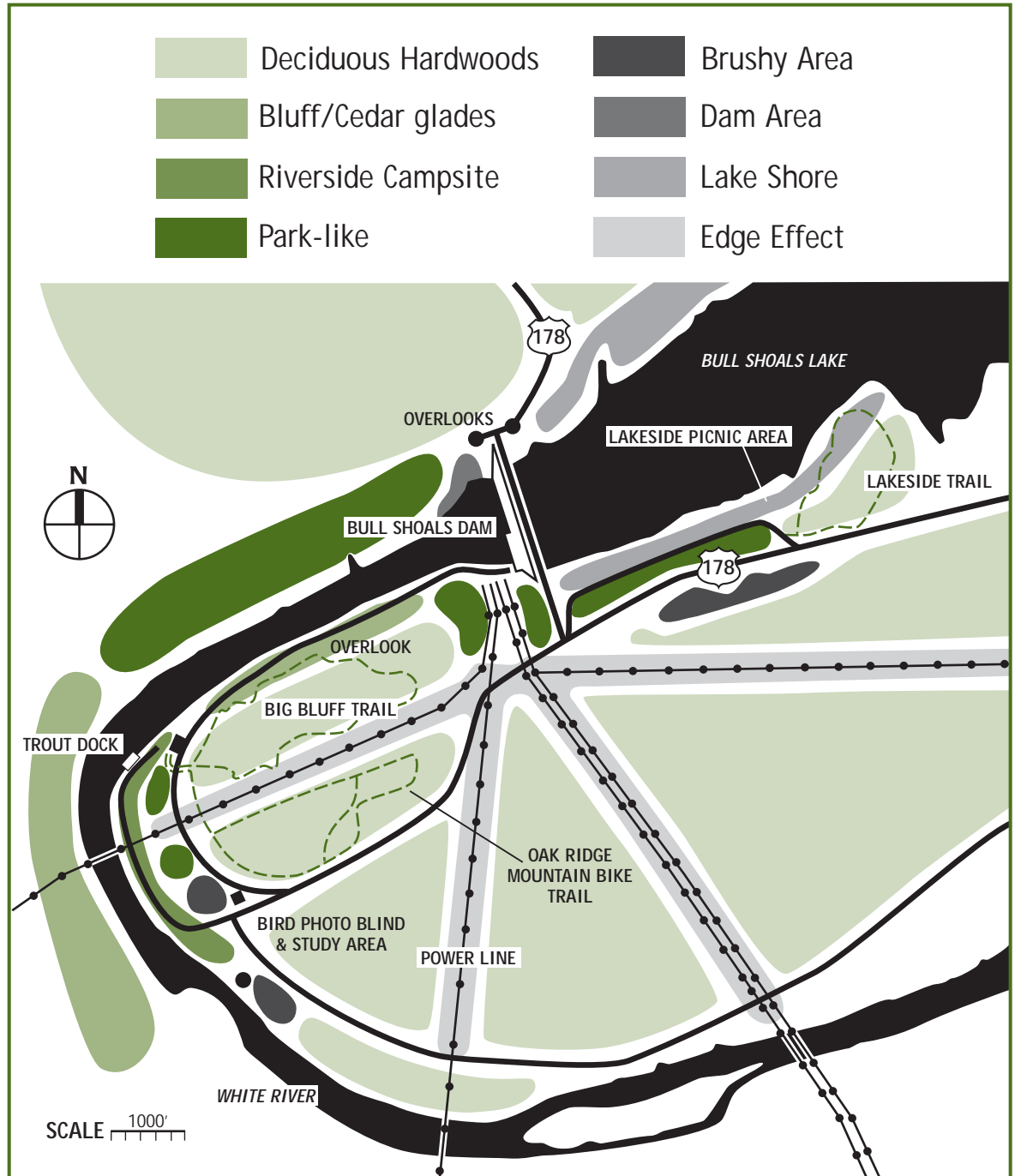
Great Blue Heron*	C	C	C	C
Great Egret*	U	R	U	-
Snowy Egret	R	R	R	-
Little Blue Heron*	U	R	U	-
Cattle Egret*	U	R	U	-
Green Heron*	F	F	F	-
Black-crowned Night-Heron	R	R	R	-
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron*	U	U	U	-
Black Vulture*	F	C	C	U
Turkey Vulture*	C	C	C	F

Hawks and Falcons

Osprey*	U	R	U	R
Bald Eagle*	U	R	U	F
Northern Harrier	R	-	U	U

Bird Habitat: Bull Shoals-White River State Park

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Sharp-shinned Hawk*	F	R	F	U
Cooper's Hawk*	U	-	U	U
Red-shouldered Hawk*	U	U	U	F
Broad-winged Hawk*	F	F	F	-
Red-tailed Hawk*	F	F	F	F
Golden Eagle*	R	-	R	R
American Kestrel*	U	U	U	F
Merlin*	-	-	R	R
Peregrine Falcon*	R	-	R	-
Rails and Coots				
Virginia Rail	R	-	R	-
American Coot	U	-	F	U
Plovers, Sandpipers, Gulls and Terns				
Black-bellied Plover*	R	-	R	-
American Golden-Plover	U	-	R	-
Semipalmated Plover*	U	-	U	-
Killdeer*	C	C	C	F
American Avocet*	R	-	R	-
Greater Yellowlegs*	U	-	U	-
Lesser Yellowlegs*	F	R	F	-
Solitary Sandpiper	F	-	F	-
Willet*	R	-	R	-
Spotted Sandpiper*	C	U	F	R
Sanderling*	R	-	R	-
Semipalmated Sandpiper*	F	R	U	-
Western Sandpiper*	U	-	F	-
Least Sandpiper*	F	-	F	R
White-rumped Sandpiper*	U	-	R	-
Pectoral Sandpiper*	U	R	F	R
Wilson's Snipe*	U	R	U	U
American Woodcock	R	R	R	-
Franklin's Gull*	U	R	U	-
Bonaparte's Gull*	U	-	R	U
Ring-billed Gull*	C	R	F	C
Herring Gull*	R	-	R	R
Caspian Tern*	R	-	U	-
Common Tern	R	-	R	-
Forster's Tern*	F	R	F	-
Black Tern*	F	U	F	-
Pigeons and Doves				
Rock Pigeon*	U	U	U	U
Mourning Dove*	C	C	C	F
Cuckoos and Roadrunners				
Black-billed Cuckoo*	R	R	R	-
Yellow-billed Cuckoo*	F	F	F	-
Greater Roadrunner*	U	U	U	U
Owls				
Eastern Screech-Owl*	F	F	F	F
Great Horned Owl*	F	F	F	F



Season:	Sp	S	F	W
Barred Owl*	U	U	U	U
Long-eared Owl	R	-	R	R
Short-eared Owl	R	-	R	R
Goatsuckers				
Common Nighthawk*	U	F	F	-
Chuck-will's-widow*	C	C	F	-
Whip-poor-will*	C	C	F	-
Swifts and Hummingbirds				
Chimney Swift*	F	F	F	-
Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	C	C	C	-
Kingfishers				
Belted Kingfisher*	C	C	C	F
Woodpeckers				
Red-headed Woodpecker*	C	C	C	U
Red-bellied Woodpecker*	C	C	C	C
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker*	F	-	F	F
Downy Woodpecker*	C	F	C	C
Hairy Woodpecker*	F	U	F	F
Northern Flicker*	C	C	C	C
Pileated Woodpecker*	F	F	F	F
Flycatchers				
Olive-sided Flycatcher*	U	R	U	-
Eastern Wood-Pewee*	C	C	C	-
Acadian Flycatcher*	F	F	F	-
Alder Flycatcher	U	R	-	-
Willow Flycatcher*	R	R	-	-
Least Flycatcher*	F	-	U	-
Eastern Phoebe*	C	C	F	-
Vermilion Flycatcher*	R	-	R	R
Great Crested Flycatcher*	C	C	F	-
Eastern Kingbird*	C	C	F	-
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher*	U	U	U	-
Shrikes and Vireos				
Loggerhead Shrike*	U	U	U	U
White-eyed Vireo*	C	C	F	-
Bell's Vireo*	U	U	U	-
Yellow-throated Vireo*	F	F	U	-
Blue-headed Vireo	U	-	U	-
Warbling Vireo*	F	F	F	-
Philadelphia Vireo*	U	-	R	-
Red-eyed Vireo*	C	C	F	-
Jays and Crows				
Blue Jay*	C	C	C	C
American Crow*	C	C	C	C
Fish Crow*	F	F	F	R
Larks				
Horned Lark*	U	U	U	F
Swallows				
Purple Martin*	C	C	C	-

Season:	Sp	S	F	W
Tree Swallow*	F	U	U	-
Northern Rough-winged Swallow*	C	C	C	-
Bank Swallow*	U	-	U	R
Cliff Swallow*	C	C	F	-
Barn Swallow*	C	C	C	-
Chickadees to Creepers				
Carolina Chickadee*	C	C	C	C
Tufted Titmouse*	C	C	C	C
Red-breasted Nuthatch*	U	-	U	U
White-breasted Nuthatch*	C	C	C	C
Brown Creeper*	F	-	F	F
Wrens				
Carolina Wren*	C	C	C	C
Bewick's Wren*	R	-	-	-
House Wren*	U	U	U	R
Winter Wren*	F	-	F	F
Sedge Wren	U	-	U	R
Marsh Wren	R	-	U	-
Kinglets to Gnatcatchers				
Golden-crowned Kinglet*	F	-	F	F
Ruby-crowned Kinglet*	F	-	F	U
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	C	C	C	-
Bluebirds and Thrushes				
Eastern Bluebird*	C	C	C	C
Veery*	R	-	-	-
Gray-cheeked Thrush*	F	-	U	-
Swainson's Thrush*	F	-	U	-
Hermit Thrush*	F	-	F	U
Wood Thrush*	C	C	F	-
American Robin*	C	C	C	C
Mockingbirds and Thrashers				
Gray Catbird*	F	F	F	-
Northern Mockingbird*	C	C	C	C
Brown Thrasher*	F	F	F	R
Starlings				
European Starling*	C	C	C	C
Pipits				
American Pipit	U	-	U	R
Waxwings				
Cedar Waxwing*	F	U	F	F
Warblers				
Blue-winged Warbler*	U	U	U	-
Golden-winged Warbler	R	-	R	-
Tennessee Warbler*	C	-	U	-
Orange-crowned Warbler*	U	-	U	-
Nashville Warbler*	C	-	U	-
Northern Parula*	C	C	F	-
Yellow Warbler*	F	R	U	-
Chestnut-sided Warbler*	F	-	U	-

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Magnolia Warbler*	F	-	U	U
Yellow-rumped Warbler*	C	-	C	F
Black-throated Green Warbler*	F	-	U	-
Blackburnian Warbler*	U	-	R	-
Yellow-throated Warbler*	C	C	F	-
Pine Warbler*	F	U	F	U
Prairie Warbler*	F	F	U	-
Bay-breasted Warbler*	U	-	R	-
Blackpoll Warbler*	U	-	-	-
Cerulean Warbler*	F	U	R	-
Black-and-white Warbler*	C	F	F	-
American Redstart*	F	U	U	-
Prothonotary Warbler*	F	F	F	-
Worm-eating Warbler*	U	U	U	-
Swainson's Warbler*	R	-	-	-
Ovenbird *	F	F	U	-
Northern Waterthrush*	U	-	R	-
Louisiana Waterthrush*	C	C	F	-
Kentucky Warbler*	C	C	F	-
Connecticut Warbler*	R	-	-	-
Mourning Warbler*	U	-	U	-
Common Yellowthroat*	C	C	F	-
Hooded Warbler*	U	U	U	-
Wilson's Warbler*	F	-	U	-
Canada Warbler*	U	R	R	-
Yellow-breasted Chat*	C	F	U	-
Tanagers				
Summer Tanager*	C	C	C	-
Scarlet Tanager*	U	U	U	-
New World Sparrows				
Spotted Towhee	-	-	-	R
Eastern Towhee*	F	U	F	F
American Tree Sparrow	U	-	R	U
Chipping Sparrow*	C	C	C	R
Field Sparrow*	C	C	C	C
Vesper Sparrow	U	-	U	R
Lark Sparrow*	U	U	U	-
Savannah Sparrow*	U	-	U	U
Grasshopper Sparrow*	U	U	-	-
Henslow's Sparrow	R	-	-	R
Le Conte's Sparrow	R	-	R	R
Fox Sparrow*	U	-	U	F
Song Sparrow*	F	-	F	F
Lincoln's Sparrow*	U	-	U	R
Swamp Sparrow*	F	-	F	F
White-throated Sparrow*	C	R	C	C
Harris's Sparrow*	R	-	R	R
White-crowned Sparrow*	U	-	U	U
Dark-eyed Junco*	C	-	C	C