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- ___ Hooded Merganser (*Lophodytes cucullatus*) V 
- ___ Wood Duck (*Aix sponsa*) C      










WAXWINGS

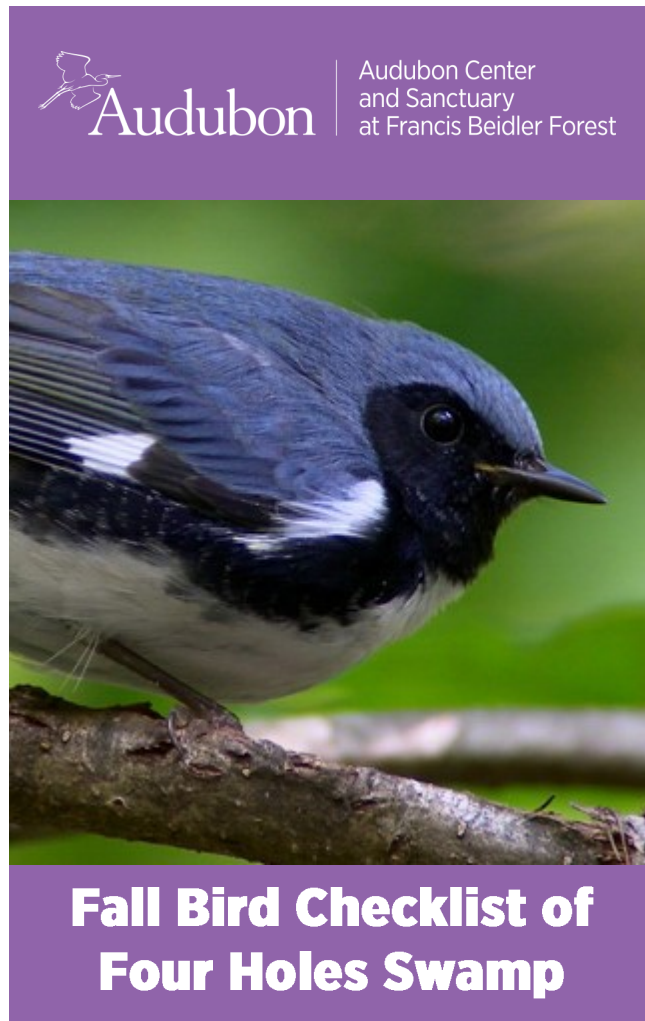
- ___ Cedar Waxwing (*Bombicilla cedrorum*) U    

WOODPECKERS

- ___ Downy Woodpecker (*Dryobates pubescens*) C   
- ___ Hairy Woodpecker (*Leuconotopicus villosus*) O   
- ___ Northern Flicker (*Colaptes auratus*) C    
- ___ Pileated Woodpecker (*Dryocopus pileatus*) C   
- ___ Red-bellied Woodpecker (*Melanerpes carolinus*) C   
- ___ Red-headed Woodpecker (*Melanerpes erythrocephalus*) O   

WRENS

- ___ Carolina Wren (*Thryothorus ludovicianus*) C    
- ___ House Wren (*Troglodytes aedon*) O   
- ___ Winter Wren (*Troglodytes hiemalis*) U  



The cover photo is of a Black-throated Blue Warbler by Megumi Aita

Audubon Center and Sanctuary at Francis Beidler Forest

Fall Bird Checklist of Four Holes Swamp

South Carolina Audubon at Francis Beidler Forest manages over 18,000 acres of land for birds. Part of the sanctuary is one of only two remaining virgin forests left in the state, and we are also restoring Longleaf Pine savannahs and grassland habitats to ensure that even more species have protected places to grow and thrive in. Across the state we work to ensure that birds' habitats are protected. We have been designated both an **Important Bird Area** and a **Ramsar Wetland of International Importance**.

Around 120 different species of birds frequent our property during the fall. Four Holes Swamp is an important stop for many birds migrating from the north to the south, and there is also the potential of spotting a handful of rarer warblers (at least for us) that won't be found during other times of the year. Good luck!

See how many of our **fall** species you can locate during your visit!













This list contains birds found in habitats across the sanctuary during the **fall**. While some species confine themselves to the deep swamp, some prefer the swamp edges, some like the second growth forest of the parking area and others frequent the open fields of our grassland-woodland trail.

We've categorized our species based on rarity (as they are seen locally) and preferred habitats.

Explanation of Symbols

- C - Commonly seen
- U - Uncommonly seen
- O - Occasionally seen
- R - Rarely seen
- V - Very Rarely seen (maybe only once!)
-  - Skies - Anywhere above
Is especially seen above the canopy
-  - Fields - Grassland-woodland Trail
Wildflower fields, roads, & powerlines
-  - Pines - Grassland-woodland Trail
Longleaf savannah & loblolly timberland
-  - Forest - Boardwalk Trail & Parking Lot
Bottomland hardwoods, palmettos, & vine tangles
-  - Swamp - Boardwalk Trail
Cypress tupelo swamp & streams
-  - Lake - Boardwalk Trail
On the water, the shore, or canopy above lakes


BLACKBIRDS & ORIOLES

- ___ Baltimore Oriole (*Icterus galbula*) V   
- ___ Brown-headed Cowbird (*Molothrus ater*) U 
- ___ Common Grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula*) C    
- ___ Red-winged Blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*) C    

CARDINALS & ALLIES

- ___ Blue Grosbeak (*Passerina caerulea*) C  
- ___ Indigo Bunting (*Passerina cyanea*) C  
- ___ Northern Cardinal (*Cardinalis cardinalis*) C    
- ___ Painted Bunting (*Passerina ciris*) C  

CORMORANTS & ANHINGAS

- ___ Anhinga (*Anhinga anhinga*) U  
- ___ Double-crested Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax auritus*) O  






CUCKOOS

- ___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus*) C   


















DOVES

- ___ Mourning Dove (*Zenaida macroura*) C  

FINCHES & ALLIES

- ___ American Goldfinch (*Spinus tristis*) C    
- ___ House Finch (*Haemorrhous mexicanus*) U 

FLYCATCHERS

- ___ Acadian Flycatcher (*Empidonax virescens*) C   
- ___ Eastern Kingbird (*Tyrannus tyrannus*) U 
- ___ Eastern Phoebe (*Sayornis phoebe*) C    
- ___ Eastern Wood Pewee (*Contopus virens*) V   
- ___ Great Crested Flycatcher (*Myiarchus crinitus*) C   
- ___ Least Flycatcher (*Empidonax minimus*) V   

HERONS & IBISES

- ___ Cattle Egret (*Bubulcus ibis*) R ☀
- ___ Great Blue Heron (*Ardea herodias*) C 🌐 🌊
- ___ Great Egret (*Ardea alba*) C 🌐 🌊
- ___ Green Heron (*Butorides virescens*) R 🌐 🌊
- ___ Little Blue Heron (*Egretta caerulea*) O 🌐 🌊
- ___ White Ibis (*Eudocimus albus*) U 🌐 🌊
- ___ Wood Stork (*Mycteria americana*) U 🌐 🌊
- ___ Yellow-crowned Night Heron (*Nyctanassa violacea*) C 🌐 🌊

HUMMINGBIRDS

- ___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird (*Archilochus colubris*) C ☀ 🌊

JAYS & CROWS

- ___ American Crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Blue Jay (*Cyanocitta cristata*) U ☀ 🌊
- ___ Fish Crow (*Corvus ossifragus*) O 🌐 ☀ 🌊

KINGFISHERS

- ___ Belted Kingfisher (*Megaceryle alcyon*) U 🌐 🌊

MIMICS

- ___ Brown Thrasher (*Toxostoma rufum*) O ☀ 🌊
- ___ Gray Catbird (*Dumetella carolinensis*) U ☀ 🌊
- ___ Northern Mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos*) U ☀ 🌊

NIGHTJARS & SWIFTS

- ___ Chimney Swift (*Chaetura pelagica*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊

NUTHATCHES & CREEPERS

- ___ Brown-headed Nuthatch (*Sitta pusilla*) U 🌐 🌊
- ___ White-breasted Nuthatch (*Sitta carolinensis*) U 🌐 🌊

OWLS

- ___ Barred Owl (*Strix varia*) C 🌐 🌊

PLOVERS & SANDPIPERS

- ___ American Woodcock (*Scolopax minor*) R ☀ 🌊
- ___ Killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) R ☀ 🌊

RAPTORS & FALCONS

- ___ American Kestrel (*Falco sparverius*) R 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊 🌊
- ___ Broad-winged Hawk (*Buteo platypterus*) O 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Cooper's Hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊 🌊
- ___ Red-shouldered Hawk (*Buteo lineatus*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊 🌊
- ___ Red-tailed Hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊

SHRIKES

- ___ Loggerhead Shrike (*Lanius ludovicianus*) R ☀ 🌊

SPARROWS

- ___ Chipping Sparrow (*Spizella passerina*) C ☀ 🌊
- ___ Eastern Towhee (*Pipilo erythrophthalmus*) C ☀ 🌊 🌊
- ___ Field Sparrow (*Spizella pusilla*) U ☀ 🌊
- ___ Song Sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*) C ☀ 🌊
- ___ Swamp Sparrow (*Melospiza georgiana*) C ☀ 🌊
- ___ White-throated Sparrow (*Zonotrichia albicollis*) C ☀ 🌊

STARLINGS

- ___ European Starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*) R 🌐 🌊

SWALLOWS

- ___ Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Purple Martin (*Progne subis*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊 🌊
- ___ Tree Swallow (*Tachycineta bicolor*) O 🌐 ☀ 🌊 🌊

TANAGERS

- ___ Scarlet Tanager (*Piranga olivacea*) U 🌐 🌊
- ___ Summer Tanager (*Piranga rubra*) C 🌐 🌊

THRUSHES & ALLIES

- ___ American Robin (*Turdus migratorius*) U ☀ 🌊 🌊
- ___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (*Polioptila caerulea*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Eastern Bluebird (*Sialia sialis*) U ☀ 🌊
- ___ Golden-crowned Kinglet (*Regulus satrapa*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Gray-cheeked Thrush (*Catharus minimus*) O 🌐 🌊
- ___ Hermit Thrush (*Catharus guttatus*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet (*Regulus calendula*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Swainson's Thrush (*Catharus ustulatus*) O 🌐 🌊
- ___ Veery (*Catharus fuscescens*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Wood Thrush (*Hylocichla mustelina*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊

TITMICE & CHICKADEES

- ___ Carolina Chickadee (*Poecile carolinensis*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Tufted Titmouse (*Baeolophus bicolor*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊

TURKEY & QUAIL

- ___ Northern Bobwhite (*Colinus virginianus*) R ☀ 🌊
- ___ Wild Turkey (*Meleagris gallopavo*) O ☀ 🌊

VIREOS

- ___ Blue-headed Vireo (*Vireo solitarius*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Red-eyed Vireo (*Vireo olivaceus*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ White-eyed Vireo (*Vireo griseus*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Yellow-throated Vireo (*Vireo flavifrons*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊

VULTURE

- ___ Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊



American Redstarts are gorgeous birds that can appear in the fall along forested areas, especially around the visitor center.

Photo by Tom Warren

WARBLERS

- ___ American Redstart (*Setophaga ruticilla*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Black & White Warbler (*Mniotilta varia*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Blackpoll Warbler (*Setophaga striata*) O 🌐 🌊
- ___ Black-throated Blue Warbler (*Setophaga caerulescens*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Black-throated Green Warbler (*Setophaga virens*) V 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Blue-winged Warbler (*Vermivora cyanoptera*) R 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Chestnut-sided Warbler (*Setophaga pensylvanica*) R 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Golden-winged Warbler (*Vermivora chrysoptera*) R 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Hooded Warbler (*Setophaga citrina*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Kentucky Warbler (*Geothlypis formosa*) R 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Louisiana Waterthrush (*Parkesia motacilla*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Magnolia Warbler (*Setophaga magnolia*) R 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Northern Parula (*Setophaga americana*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Northern Waterthrush (*Parkesia noveboracensis*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Orange-crowned Warbler (*Leiothlypis celata*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Ovenbird (*Seiurus aurocapilla*) O 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Palm Warbler (*Setophaga palmarum*) O ☀ 🌊
- ___ Pine Warbler (*Setophaga pinus*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Prairie Warbler (*Setophaga discolor*) O ☀ 🌊
- ___ Prothonotary Warbler (*Protonotaria citrea*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Tennessee Warbler (*Leiothlypis peregrina*) V 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Worm-eating Warbler (*Helmitheros vermivorum*) U 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Yellow Warbler (*Setophaga petechia*) O 🌐 ☀ 🌊
- ___ Yellow-breasted Chat (*Icteria virens*) R ☀ 🌊
- ___ Yellow-throated Warbler (*Setophaga dominica*) C 🌐 ☀ 🌊