

BIRDS of the PINELANDS RESERVE

is a handy reference guide and checklist for birders and other visitors to the area. It was compiled from a bi-monthly bird census of the area (Sept. 2008 – Nov. 2009) conducted by the Venice Area Audubon Society in conjunction with Sarasota County.

118 bird species were seen or heard by 45 volunteers over a one year period. Also included are 25 species reported by birders at other times. A total of 143 species are included in this checklist.

In 1985, Sarasota County purchased 6,151 acres and named it the Pinelands Reserve. The property was purchased for the construction of a central county landfill, to provide adequate buffers from surrounding lands, to provide suitable areas for wetland mitigation due to impacts incurred from the construction of the landfill complex, and to protect the wildlife and natural communities in the Myakka River and Dona and Roberts Bay watersheds.

Pinelands Reserve access by motor vehicle is through the Central County Solid Waste Complex (CCSWDC – Landfill) and the perimeter road that circumnavigates the landfill. Portions of this road may be closed for extended periods of time due to eagle nesting season and on-going construction associated with landfill operations. Access to the natural area portions of the Reserve are by group appointment only. Appointments can be made by contacting the Sarasota County Call Center at 941.861.5000.

All visitors are required to sign in at the administration building located within the landfill complex. The Central County Solid Waste Disposal Complex is a very busy facility so please use caution and adhere to the designated travel directions when traveling within the site.

The landfill is open Mon. – Sat., 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. The facility is closed Sundays, New Years Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. All pets brought onto the landfill property must be kept on a leash and please clean up after your pet. We hope that you enjoy your visit!



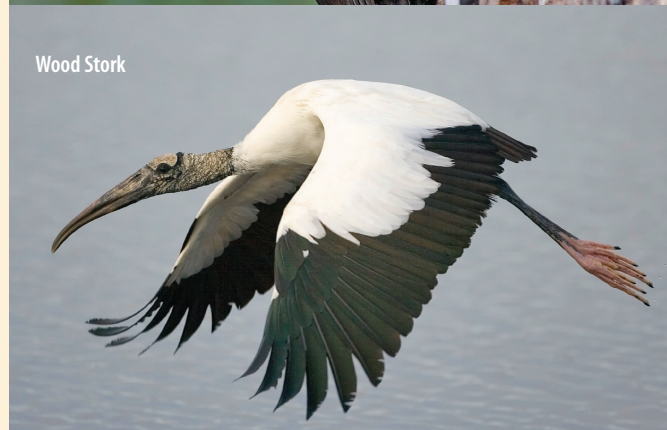
Red-headed Woodpecker



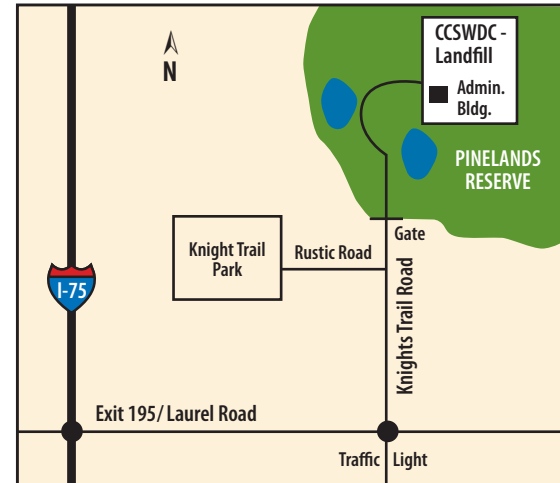
American Swallow-tailed Kite



Pileated Woodpecker



Wood Stork



Directions: Take I-75 north to Exit 195. Go east on Laurel Road, then north at Knights Trail Road. Proceed two miles to Central County Solid Waste Complex (CCSWDC) - Landfill gate.

Directions: Take I-75 south to Exit 195. Go east on Laurel Road to the second traffic light, then north on Knights Trial Road. Proceed two miles to Central County Solid Waste Complex (CCSWDC) - Landfill gate.

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✓ SPECIES	Key	Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall	B
Months		DJF	MAM	JJA	SON	
GREBES						
Pied-billed Grebe	WR	2		3	2	
PELICANS						
Brown Pelican	OHV	3	3	3	3	
White Pelican	OHV	4		4	4	
CORMORANT/ANHINGA						
Double-crested Cormorant	R	1	2	2	1	
Anhinga	R	1	2	2	2	
BITTERNS/HERONS/WADERS						
American Bittern	WV	4			4	
Least Bittern	V	4		4	4	
Great Blue Heron	R	2	2	2	2	
Little Blue Heron	R	3	3	3	3	
Great Egret	R	2	2	2	2	
Snowy Egret	R	2	2	2	2	
Tricolored Heron	R	2	2	2	2	
Green Heron	R	3	3	3	3	?
Cattle Egret	R	2	2	2	2	
Black-crowned Night Heron	R	3			3	
Roseate Spoonbill	V	4	4			
Wood Stork	RV	2	2	2	2	
White Ibis	R	2	2	2	2	
Glossy Ibis	R	2	2	2	2	
DUCKS						
American Wigeon	WV	4				
Mottled Duck	R	3	3	3	3	*
Ring-necked Duck	WV	3			3	
Wood Duck	RV		3			
Blue-winged Teal	WV	3			3	
Lesser Scaup	WV	3			3	
Ruddy Duck	WV				4	
Red-breasted Merganser	WV	4				
Black-bellied Whistling Duck	RV	2	3	3	3	?
VULTURES						
Black Vulture	R	1	1	1	1	*
Turkey Vulture	R	1	1	3	2	?
RAPTORS						
Bald Eagle	R	1	1	3	1	*
Osprey	R	3	3	3	3	*
Cooper's Hawk	OHV	3	3		3	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	M		3		3	
Red-shouldered Hawk	R	2	2	2	2	*
Red-tailed Hawk	OHV	3				
American Kestrel	WR	2	3		3	
Merlin	M	3				
Peregrine Falcon	M	3				

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American Swallow-tailed Kite	SR		3	3		*
Northern Harrier	WV	3			3	
Crested Caracara	OHV	3				
TURKEY/QUAIL						
Wild Turkey	R	3	3	3	3	*
Northern Bobwhite	R	3	3	3	3	*
RAILS						
Common Moorhen	R	3	2	3	3	*
American Coot	WR	3	3		3	
LIMPKINS/CRANES						
Limpkin	V				4	
Sandhill Crane	R	2	2	2	2	*
PLOVERS						
Killdeer	R	2	2	3	2	*
Black-bellied Plover	V				3	
STILTS/SANDPIPERS						
Black-necked Stilt	M		3			
Greater Yellowlegs	WV	3	3		3	
Lesser Yellowlegs	WV	3	3		3	
Wilson's Snipe	WV	3				
GULLS						
Laughing Gull	OHV	1	1	1	1	
Ring-billed Gull	OHV	2	2		3	
Herring Gull	OHV	2	3		3	
TERNs						
Forster's Tern	OHV		3			
Least Tern	OHV		3	3		
PIGEONS/DOVES						
Mourning Dove	R	1	1	1	1	
Common Ground Dove	R	3	3	3	3	*
Eurasian Collar-Dove	V			3	3	
NIGHTJARS						
Common Nighthawk	OHV		3	3	3	*
SWIFT						
Chimney Swift	OHV		3	3	3	
KINGFISHER						
Belted Kingfisher	RV		2	2	3	
WOODPECKERS						
Red-headed Woodpecker	R		3	3	3	*
Red-bellied Woodpecker	R	2	2	2	2	*
Pileated Woodpecker	R	3	3	3	3	*
Downy Woodpecker	R	3	3	3	3	*
Northern Flicker	R	3	3	3	3	*
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	WV	3				
FLYCATCHERS						
Great Crested Flycatcher	SR		2	3		*

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Eastern Phoebe	WR	2	3		3	
Eastern Wood Pewee	M				4	
Gray Kingbird	V		3			
Eastern Kingbird	M				3	
SHRIKE						
Loggerhead Shrike	R	2	2	2	2	*
VIREOS						
White-eyed Vireo	R	3	3	3	3	*
Blue-headed Vireo	M		3		3	
JAYS/CROWS						
Blue Jay	R	2	2	2	2	*
American Crow	R	1	1	1	1	?
Fish Crow	R	1	1	1	1	?
MARTINS/SWALLOWS						
Purple Martin	OHV		2	3		
Tree Swallow	OHV	1	2		2	
Barn Swallow	OHV		3		3	
Rough-winged Swallow	OHV		3		3	
TITMOUSE/NUTHATCH						
Tufted Titmouse	R	3	3	3	3	*
Brown-headed Nuthatch	R		3		3	*
WRENS						
House Wren	WR	3			2	
Carolina Wren	R	2	2	2	2	*
KINGLETS/GNATCATCHERS						
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	WR	3				
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	R	1	2	3	1	*
THRUSHES						
Eastern Bluebird	R	2	2	3	2	*
American Robin	WR	2	3		2	
MIMIDS/STARLINGS						
Gray Catbird	WR	2	3		2	
Northern Mockingbird	R	1	1	1	1	*
Brown Thrasher	R	3			3	?
European Starling	R	2	2	2	2	*
WAXWINGS						
Cedar Waxwing	OHV		3		3	
WARBLERS						
Northern Parula Warbler	V		3			
Palm Warbler	WR	1	2		2	
Pine Warbler	R	2	3		3	*
Yellow-rumped Warbler	WR	1	3		3	
Black & White Warbler	V				3	
Prairie Warbler	V				3	
Yellow-throated Warbler	V				3	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	M		3		3	

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Common Yellowthroat	R	3	3	3	3	*
CARDINALS						
Northern Cardinal	R	2	1	1	2	*
EMPERZIDS						
Eastern Towhee	R		3	3	3	*
Bachman's Sparrow	SR		3			*
Savannah Sparrow	WR	3			3	
FINCHES						
American Goldfinch	V				3	
ICTERIDS						
Bobolink	M		3			
Eastern Meadowlark	R	2	2	3	3	*
Red-winged Blackbird	R	2	2	3	2	*
Boat-tailed Grackle	R	2	2	2	1	*
Common Grackle	R	3	3	3	1	*
Brown-headed Cowbird	R	3		3	2	

LIMITED SIGHTINGS

Hooded Merganser	Barred Owl
Northern Shoveler	Chuck-wills-widow
Mallard	Hairy Woodpecker
Yellow-crowned Night Heron	Marsh Wren
Purple Gallinule	Red-eyed Vireo
Least Sandpiper	Yellow-throated Vireo
Western Sandpiper	Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Solitary Sandpiper	Indigo Bunting
Spotted Sandpiper	Chipping Sparrow
Rock Pigeon	Swamp Sparrow
Eastern Screech Owl	Grasshopper Sparrow
Great Horned Owl	Vesper Sparrow

KEY

1 Abundant (Always seen)	R Resident
2 Common (Usually seen)	M Migrant
3 Uncommon (Sometimes seen)	RV Resident Visitor
4 Rare (Seldom seen)	WR Winter Resident
* Breeding Species	V Visitor
	WV Winter Visitor
	SR Summer Resident
	OHV Overhead Visitor