

PLATT BRANCH BIRD LIST

Platt Branch Wildlife Management Area



Florida's Wildlife Management Areas and Environmental Areas are home to an incredible diversity of birds. A continuous turnover of species in response to migratory movements ensures birders ever-changing experiences matched to the seasons.

We have prepared this checklist of birds to help you keep track of our spectacular and precious birdlife.

You may also consult on-line with FWC's Breeding Bird atlas data (MyFWC.com/bba).

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Symbols Used in This Checklist

Type

- species confirmed on this site
- species probably occurs on this site, based on habitat, range and (usually) confirmed occurrence in nearby regions.
- exotic (non-native) species

Seasons

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| Spring | March-May |
| Summer | June-August |
| Fall | September-November |
| Winter | December-February |

Breeding

- ▲ Species is known to breed in the area
- △ Species probably breeds in the area

Birds occurring near the WMA/WEA, but not actually recorded within its borders, are counted on the list if suitable habitat exists and if reasonable probability exists that the bird will occur there in the future. Thus, very rare birds recorded outside the WMA are not included on the list, but common birds are.

How you can help

This checklist is just a starting point. We are counting on you and other birders to let us know if you note additions or changes in status to species on this list. Please send corrections to:

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| | Breeding | Spring | Summer | Fall | Winter |
|--------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|------|--------|
| DUCKS, GEESE & SWAN | | | | | |
| ___ Wood Duck | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Mottled Duck | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Blue-winged Teal | | ○ | | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Green-winged Teal | | ● | | ● | ● |

TURKEY

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|-----------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Wild Turkey | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
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QUAIL

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| ___ Northern Bobwhite | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
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GREBES

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|-----------------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Pied-billed Grebe | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
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CORMORANTS

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|------------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Double-crested Cormorant | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
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ANHINGA

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| ___ Anhinga | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
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BITTERNs, HERONS & EGRETS

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|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Great Blue Heron | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Great Egret | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Snowy Egret | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Little Blue Heron | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Tricolored Heron | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Cattle Egret | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Green Heron | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Black-crowned Night-Heron | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

IBISES & SPOONBILL

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|-----------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| ___ White Ibis | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Glossy Ibis | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

| | Breeding | Spring | Summer | Fall | Winter |
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| STORK | | | | | |
| ___ Wood Stork | | ● | ● | ● | ● |

NEW WORLD VULTURES

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|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Black Vulture | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Turkey Vulture | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

OSPREY, KITES, HAWKS & EAGLES

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|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Osprey | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Swallow-tailed Kite | △ | ● | ● | | |
| ___ Bald Eagle | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Northern Harrier | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Sharp-shinned Hawk | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Cooper's Hawk | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Red-shouldered Hawk | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Short-tailed Hawk | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Red-tailed Hawk | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

FALCONS

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|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Crested Caracara | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ American Kestrel | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Merlin | | ○ | | ○ | ○ |

RAILS, GALLINULE, MOORHEN & COOT

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| ___ King Rail | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Purple Gallinule | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Common Moorhen | | ● | ● | ● | ● |

CRANES

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|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Sandhill Crane | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
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PLOVERS

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| ___ Killdeer | △ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
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| | Breeding | Spring | Summer | Fall | Winter |
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| SANDPIPERS | | | | | |
| ___ Spotted Sandpiper | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Solitary Sandpiper | | ● | | ● | ○ |
| ___ Greater Yellowlegs | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Lesser Yellowlegs | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Wilson's Snipe | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ American Woodcock | | ○ | | ○ | ○ |

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| PIGEONS & DOVES | | | | | |
| ___ Rock Pigeon | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| ___ Eurasian Collared-Dove | | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| ___ Mourning Dove | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Common Ground-Dove | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| CUCKOOS | | | | | |
| ___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo | | ● | ● | ● | |

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| BARN OWL | | | | | |
| ___ Barn Owl | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| OWLS | | | | | |
| ___ Eastern Screech-Owl | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Great Horned Owl | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Burrowing Owl | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Barred Owl | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| GOATSUCKERS | | | | | |
| ___ Common Nighthawk | △ | ● | ● | ● | |
| ___ Chuck-will's-widow | △ | ● | ● | ● | |
| ___ Whip-poor-will | | ● | ● | ● | |

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| SWIFT | | | | | |
| ___ Chimney Swift | | ● | ● | ● | |

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| HUMMINGBIRDS | | | | | |
| ___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird | △ | ● | ● | ● | |

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| KINGFISHER | | | | | |
| ___ Belted Kingfisher | | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| WOODPECKERS | | | | | |
| ___ Red-headed Woodpecker | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Red-bellied Woodpecker | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Downy Woodpecker | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Hairy Woodpecker | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Red-cockaded Woodpecker | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Northern Flicker | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Pileated Woodpecker | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| FLYCATCHERS | | | | | |
| ___ Eastern Wood-Pewee | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Eastern Phoebe | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Great Crested Flycatcher | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | |
| ___ Eastern Kingbird | | ○ | ○ | ○ | |

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| SHRIKE | | | | | |
| ___ Loggerhead Shrike | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| VIREOS | | | | | |
| ___ White-eyed Vireo | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Blue-headed Vireo | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Red-eyed Vireo | | ● | ● | ● | |

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| JAYS & CROWS | | | | | |
| ___ Blue Jay | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Florida Scrub-Jay | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ American Crow | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Fish Crow | | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| MARTINS AND SWALLOWS | | | | | |
| ___ Purple Martin | | ● | ● | ● | |
| ___ Tree Swallow | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Barn Swallow | | ○ | ○ | ○ | |

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| CHICKADEE AND TITMOUSE | | | | | |
| ___ Tufted Titmouse | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| NUTHATCHES | | | | | |
| ___ Brown-headed Nuthatch | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| WRENS | | | | | |
| ___ Carolina Wren | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ House Wren | | ● | | ● | ● |

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| KINGLETS | | | | | |
| ___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet | | ● | | ● | ● |

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| GNATCATCHER | | | | | |
| ___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| THRUSHES | | | | | |
| ___ Eastern Bluebird | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ American Robin | | ● | | ● | ● |

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| CATBIRD, MOCKINGBIRD & THRASHER | | | | | |
| ___ Gray Catbird | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Northern Mockingbird | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Brown Thrasher | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| STARLING | | | | | |
| ___ European Starling | △ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ |

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| NEW WORLD WARBLERS | | | | | |
| ___ Tennessee Warbler | | | | | ○ |
| ___ Orange-crowned 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 | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Black-and-white Warbler | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ American Redstart | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Prothonotary Warbler | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Worm-eating Warbler | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Ovenbird | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Northern Waterthrush | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Louisiana Waterthrush | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Common Yellowthroat | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Hooded Warbler | | ○ | | | |

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| TANAGERS | | | | | |
| ___ Summer Tanager | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |

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| TOWHEE, SPARROWS & JUNCO | | | | | |
| ___ Eastern Towhee | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Bachman's Sparrow | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Chipping Sparrow | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Savannah Sparrow | | ● | | ● | ● |
| ___ Grasshopper Sparrow | | ● | | ● | ● |

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| ___ Swamp Sparrow | | ● | | ● | ● |

CARDINAL, GROSBEEKS & BUNTINGS

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|-----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___ Northern Cardinal | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Blue Grosbeak | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Indigo Bunting | | ○ | | ○ | ○ |

BLACKBIRDS, GRACKLES & ORIOLES

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| ___ Red-winged Blackbird | ▲ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Eastern Meadowlark | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Common Grackle | △ | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Boat-tailed Grackle | | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| ___ Brown-headed Cowbird | | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| ___ Orchard Oriole | | ○ | | ○ | |
| ___ Baltimore Oriole | | ○ | | ○ | |

FINCHES

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|------------------------|--|---|--|---|---|
| ___ American Goldfinch | | ○ | | ○ | ○ |
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OLD WORLD SPARROW

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| ___ House Sparrow | | □ | □ | □ | □ |
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