

Birds of the Sacony Marsh and Trail

Kutztown, PA

KEY

- italics* Migrating species only
bold Species found nesting in Sacony Marsh
Sp Spring (March-May)
Su Summer (June-August)
Au Autumn (September-November)
Wn Winter (December-February)
c Species encountered at almost every visit
u Species encountered at some visits
r Species seldom encountered

✓ **Sp Su Au Wn**

Ducks, Geese, Swans (Anatidae)

<i>Snow Goose</i>	r			u
Canada Goose	c	r	c	c
Mute Swan	r			
Wood Duck	r	r		
Mallard	c	c	c	c

Hérons (Ardeidae)

Great Blue Heron	c	c	u	u
Green Heron	u	u		

Vultures (Cathartidae)

Black Vulture	u	u		r
Turkey Vulture	u	u	u	u

Hawks, Eagles, Harriers (Accipitridae)

Bald Eagle		r		
Northern Harrier			r	
Cooper's Hawk	r		u	u
Red-tailed Hawk	u	u	u	u

Plovers (Charadriidae)

Killdeer	u	u	u	u
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Sandpipers (Scolopacidae)

<i>Solitary Sandpiper</i>	r	r	r	
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Gulls (Laridae)

Herring Gull				r
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Doves (Columbidae)

Rock Pigeon	u	u	u	u
Mourning Dove	c	c	c	c

Cuckoos (Cuculidae)

Yellow-billed Cuckoo	r	r		
Black-billed Cuckoo	r			

Owls (Strigidae)

Great Horned Owl	u	u	u	u
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Nighthawks (Caprimulgidae)

Common Nighthawk	r	r		
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Swifts (Apodidae)

Chimney Swift	c	c		
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Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)

Ruby-throated Hummingbird	r	c	r	
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Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)

Belted Kingfisher	u	u	u	u
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Woodpeckers (Picidae)

Red-headed Woodpecker	r			
Red-bellied Woodpecker	c	c	c	c
<i>Yellow-bellied Sapsucker</i>	r		u	u
Downy Woodpecker	c	c	c	c
Hairy Woodpecker	r	r	u	u
Northern Flicker	u	u	u	u

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Flycatchers (Tyrannidae)

Eastern Wood-Pee-wee	u	u		
Acadian Flycatcher	r			
Willow Flycatcher	u	c		
Least Flycatcher	r			
Eastern Phoebe	c	c	u	
Great Crested Flycatcher	c	c		
Eastern Kingbird	r	u		

Vireos (Vireonidae)

<i>Blue-headed Vireo</i>	r			
Warbling Vireo	u	u		
<i>Philadelphia Vireo</i>			r	
Red-eyed Vireo	u			

Crows and Jays (Corvidae)

Blue Jay	c	c	c	c
American Crow	c	c	c	c
Fish Crow	u	u	r	r

Swallows (Hirundinidae)

Purple Martin	u			
Tree Swallow	c	c	u	
N. Rough-winged Swallow	c	c		
Barn Swallow	c	c		

Chickadees and Titmice (Paridae)

Chickadee*	c	c	c	c
Tufted Titmouse	c	c	c	c

*Kutztown is in a hybrid zone where the ranges of the Black-capped Chickadee and the Carolina Chickadee overlap. One species may sing the other's songs, making it difficult to distinguish them.

Nuthatches (Sittidae)

Red-breasted Nuthatch		r		
White-breasted Nuthatch	c	c	c	c

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Creepers (Certhiidae)

Brown Creeper	r		u	u
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Wrens (Troglodytidae)

Carolina Wren	c	c	c	c
House Wren	c	c		
Winter Wren	u		u	u

Kinglets (Regulidae)

Golden-crowned Kinglet	r		u	u
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	u		u	u

Gnatcatchers (Sylviidae)

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	u			
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Thrushes (Turdidae)

Eastern Bluebird	c	c	c	c
Swainson's Thrush	r			
Hermit Thrush	r			
Wood Thrush	c	c		
American Robin	c	c	u	r

Mockingbirds and Kin (Mimidae)

Gray Catbird	c	c	u	
Northern Mockingbird	r	r	u	u
Brown Thrasher	u	u		

Starlings (Sturnidae)

European Starling	c	c	c	c
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Waxwings (Bombycillidae)

Cedar Waxwing	u	u	u	
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Wood Warblers (Parulidae)

Northern Parula	r			
Yellow Warbler	c	c		
Chestnut-sided Warbler	r			
Magnolia Warbler	r		r	

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Wood Warblers (Parulidae), continued

Yellow-rumped Warbler	u		u	
Black-throated Green Warbler	r			
Pine Warbler	r			
Prairie Warbler		r		
Palm Warbler	r			
Blackpoll Warbler	u			
Black-and-white Warbler	r	r		
American Redstart	u	u		
Northern Waterthrush	u	u		
Common Yellowthroat	c	c		

Tanagers (Thraupidae)

Scarlet Tanager	u			
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Sparrows (Emberizidae)

Eastern Towhee	r			
American Tree Sparrow	r		r	r
Chipping Sparrow	u	u		
Field Sparrow	u			
Song Sparrow	c	c	c	c
White-throated Sparrow	c		c	c
White-crowned Sparrow	r			
Dark-eyed Junco	c		c	c

Cardinals and Kin (Cardinalidae)

Northern Cardinal	c	c	c	c
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	r	r		
Indigo Bunting	r	c	r	

Blackbirds (Icteridae)

Red-winged Blackbird	c	c	r	r
Common Grackle	c	c	u	u
Brown-headed Cowbird	c	u	r	
Orchard Oriole	r			

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Blackbirds (Icteridae), continued

Baltimore Oriole	u	u		
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Finches (Fringillidae)

Purple Finch	r	r		
House Finch	c	u	c	c
Pine Siskin	c			c
American Goldfinch	c	c	c	c

Old World Sparrows (Passeridae)

House Sparrow	r	r	r	r
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Birds on this checklist were identified along the Sacony Trail and in Sacony Marsh in Kutztown between January 2006 and July 2009.

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