

A CHECKLIST OF THE BIRDS OF TUSKEGEE NATIONAL FOREST

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Tuskegee National Forest is situated in eastern Macon County, Alabama. This checklist (Table 1) is based on 66 field trips (approximately 150 hrs) to Tuskegee National Forest and surrounding areas, including the Tuskegee city lake, between 1989 and 1999.

TABLE 1. Bird checklist of Tuskegee National Forest, Macon County, Alabama.

Species	Sp ^a	S ^b	F ^c	W ^d
Pied-billed Grebe	C ^e	O ^f	O	O
Double-crested Cormorant	O	—	—	—
Anhinga	O	—	—	—
Great Blue Heron	A ^g	A	C	C
Great Egret	O	C	—	—
Little Blue Heron	O	C	O	—
Cattle Egret (when a colony present)	A	A	—	—
Green Heron	C	C	—	—
Black-crowned Night-Heron	—	O	—	—
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	—	O	—	—
White Ibis	—	O	—	—
Wood Stork	—	O	—	—
Black Vulture	C	C	O	O
Turkey Vulture	A	C	O	O
Wood Duck	C	O	O	O
Blue-winged Teal	C	C	—	—
Northern Shoveler	O	—	—	—
Common Goldeneye	R ^h	—	—	—
Hooded Merganser	O	O	—	—
Common Merganser	R	—	—	—
Ruddy Duck	R	—	—	—
Mississippi Kite	R	O	R	R
Sharp-shinned Hawk	O	O	O	O
Cooper's Hawk	O	O	O	O
Red-shouldered Hawk	A	C	U ⁱ	U

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Species	Sp	S	F	W
Broad-winged Hawk	U	U	—	—
Red-tailed Hawk	C	C	U	U
Wild Turkey	C	C	U	U
Northern Bobwhite	U	U	U	U
American Coot	O	—	—	—
Killdeer	U	U	O	O
American Woodcock	U	—	—	U
Laughing Gull	R	—	—	—
Ring-billed Gull	R	—	—	R
Herring Gull	R	—	—	—
Rock Dove	C	C	C	C
Mourning Dove	A	A	A	A
Common Ground-Dove	R	—	—	—
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	C	C	—	—
Eastern Screech-Owl	U	U	U	U
Great Horned Owl	U	U	U	U
Barred Owl	C	U	U	U
Common Nighthawk	U	U	—	—
Chuck-will's-widow	U	U	—	—
Chimney Swift	A	C	—	—
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	C	U	—	—
Belted Kingfisher	A	C	C	C
Red-headed Woodpecker	C	C	O	O
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	—	—	O	O
Downy Woodpecker	C	C	U	U
Hairy Woodpecker	O	O	O	O
Red-cockaded Woodpecker—Extirpated. Present in 1950's and 1960's.				
Northern Flicker	C	C	O	O
Pileated Woodpecker	A	C	C	C
Eastern Wood-Pewee	C	C	—	—
Acadian Flycatcher	O	O	—	—
Eastern Phoebe	A	A	U	U
Great Crested Flycatcher	A	C	—	—
Eastern Kingbird	A	A	—	—
Loggerhead Shrike	U	U	U	U
White-eyed Vireo	A	A	O	R
Yellow-throated Vireo	C	C	—	—
Red-eyed Vireo	C	C	—	—

Table 1. Continued

Species	Sp	S	F	W
Blue Jay	A	A	A	A
American Crow	A	A	A	A
Fish Crow	O	O	O	O
Purple Martin	C	A	—	—
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	C	A	—	—
Barn Swallow	A	A	O	O
Carolina Chickadee	A	C	C	C
Tufted Titmouse	A	C	C	C
Brown-headed Nuthatch	C	C	U	U
Brown Creeper	—	—	O	O
Carolina Wren	A	A	A	A
Winter Wren	U	—	—	U
Golden-crowned Kinglet	R	—	—	R
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	U	—	—	U
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	A	A	O	O
Eastern Bluebird	A	C	O	O
Veery	—	—	—	R
Gray-cheeked Thrush	O	—	O	—
Swainson's Thrush	O	—	O	—
Hermit Thrush	—	—	—	U
Wood Thrush	C	C	—	—
American Robin	C	U	U	C
Gray Catbird	U	U	—	R
Northern Mockingbird	A	A	C	C
Brown Thrasher	C	C	C	C
Cedar Waxwing	U	—	U	U
European Starling	C	C	C	C
Northern Parula	U	U	—	—
Yellow Warbler	U	U	—	—
Yellow-rumped Warbler	A	—	—	C
Yellow-throated Warbler	U	U	—	—
Pine Warbler	A	A	C	C
Prairie Warbler	C	U	—	—
Prothonotary Warbler	C	C	—	—
Common Yellowthroat	C	C	U	U
Hooded Warbler	C	C	—	—
Yellow-breasted Chat	A	A	—	—
Summer Tanager	C	C	—	—
Scarlet Tanager	U	—	—	—

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Species	Sp	S	F	W
Eastern Towhee	A	A	C	C
Northern Cardinal	A	A	A	A
Bachman's Sparrow	U	U	U	U
Chipping Sparrow	C	O	O	C
Field Sparrow	U	U	U	U
Savannah Sparrow	U	—	—	U
Fox Sparrow	U	—	—	U
Swamp Sparrow	U	—	—	U
White-throated Sparrow	C	—	—	C
Dark-eyed Junco	C	—	—	C
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	U	—	—	—
Blue Grosbeak	C	C	—	—
Red-winged Blackbird	C-A	C-A	C-A	C-A
Eastern Meadowlark	C	C	C	C
Common Grackle	C-A	C-A	C-A	C-A
Brown-headed Cowbird	U-C	U-C	U-C	U-C
Orchard Oriole	C	C	—	—
Northern Oriole	U	—	—	—
Indigo Bunting	C	C	—	—
House Finch	O	O	O	O
American Goldfinch	A	C	—	—
House Sparrow	U	U	U	U

^a= Spring

^b= Summer

^c= Fall

^d= Winter

^e= Common; certain to be seen in proper habitat

^f= Occasional; seen only a few times during a season

^g= Abundant; present and usually seen in large numbers

^h= Rare; seen at intervals of two to five years

ⁱ= Uncommon; present, but not certain to be seen

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