

**Birds of the Sawmill Slough Preserve and the University of North Florida campus**

**Compiled by Chuck Hubbuch, Curator of the Preserve**

**Based on his observations and:**

**a 1996 UNF bird checklist,**

**a 1999 UNF bird list by John Golden, UNF Recreation Dept.,**

**observations by Cathy Murphy, amateur birder/photographer, Preserve volunteer,**

**observations by Justin Lemmons, Environmental Center Ecologist and**

**observations by Dr. Michael Lentz, UNF Biology Dept.**

**Anatidae:** Swans, Geese, and Ducks

Canada goose (feral)

muscovy duck (exotic)

wood duck

mallard (probably all feral)

mottled duck

ring-necked duck

redhead duck (C. Murphy, 2015)

green-winged teal

ruddy duck

bufflehead

hooded merganser

red-breasted merganser (J. Lemmons and Kacie Smith, 2015)

American widgeon

**Phasianidae:** Turkeys

wild turkey

**Odontophoridae:** Quail

northern bobwhite

**Podicipedidae:** Grebes

pie-billed grebe

**Phalacrocoracidae:** Cormorants

double-crested cormorant

**Anhingidae:** Darters

anhinga

**Ardeidae:** Bitterns and Herons

American bittern

least bittern

great blue heron

great egret

snowy egret

little blue heron  
tricolored heron  
cattle egret  
green heron  
black-crowned night-heron – not observed but expected  
yellow-crowned night-heron (Dr. Michael Lentz, 2/2008)

**Threskiornithidae:** Ibises and Spoonbills

white Ibis

**Ciconiidae:** Storks

wood Stork

**Carthartidae:** American Vultures

black vulture

turkey vulture

**Accipitridae:** Kites, Hawks, Eagles and Allies

osprey

swallow-tailed kite

bald eagle

marsh hawk

sharp-shinned hawk

Cooper's hawk

red-shouldered Hawk

broad-winged hawk (C. Murphy and C. Hubbuch, 2015)

red-tailed hawk

American kestrel

**Rallidae:** Rails, Gallinules, and Coots

clapper rail

common moorhen

American coot

limpkin

**Charadriidae:** Plovers

killdeer

solitary sandpiper

spotted sandpiper

least sandpiper

Wilson's snipe

American woodcock

**Laridae:** Skuas, Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers

laughing Gull

ring-billed Gull

herring Gull  
Forster's tern  
least tern

**Columbidae:** Pigeons and Doves  
mourning dove  
common ground-dove  
rock dove (feral)

**Cuculidae:** Cuckoos  
yellow-billed cuckoo

**Tytonidae:** Barn Owls  
barn owl –not observed but expected

**Strigidae:** Typical Owls  
eastern screech-owl  
great horned owl  
barred owl

**Caprimulgidae:** Goatsuckers  
common nighthawk  
Chuck-will's-widow

**Apodidae:** Swifts  
chimney swift  
tree swallow

**Trochilidae:** Hummingbirds  
ruby-throated hummingbird  
black-chinned hummingbird – not observed but reported in our area

**Alcedinidae:** Kingfishers  
belted kingfisher

**Picidae:** Woodpeckers  
red-headed woodpecker  
red-bellied woodpecker  
yellow-bellied sapsucker  
downy woodpecker  
hairy woodpecker  
Northern flicker  
pileated woodpecker  
red-cockaded woodpecker - listed as “permanent, rare” in 1996 checklist, not seen recently

**Tyrannidae:** Tyrant Flycatchers

eastern phoebe

Eastern wood pewee (verified Dr. Michael Lentz, 9/2007)

Arcadian flycatcher

great crested flycatcher

eastern kingbird

**Laniidae:** Shrikes

loggerhead shrike

**Vireonidae:** Vireos

white-eyed vireo

solitary vireo

yellow-throated vireo

red-eyed vireo

blue-headed vireo (verified Dr. Michael Lentz, 3/2008)

**Corvidae:** Jays and Crows

blue jay

Florida scrub jay (included based on a single 1978 report, otherwise considered  
extirpated from Duval County by the 1950's)

American crow

fish crow

**Hirundinidae:** Swallows

purple martin

tree swallow

barn swallow

**Paridae:** Titmice and Chickadees

Carolina chickadee

tufted titmouse

**Sittidae:** Nuthatches

brown-headed nuthatch (verified Murphy, 2010)

white-breasted nuthatch (verified Murphy, 2012)

**Troglodytidae:** Wrens

Carolina wren

house wren

marsh wren – not observed but known from our area

**Regulidae:** Kinglets

golden-crowned kinglet

ruby-crowned kinglet

**Sylviidae:** Gnatcatchers

blue-gray gnatcatcher

**Turdidae:** Thrushes

eastern bluebird

hermit thrush

wood thrush

American robin

**Mimidae:** Mockingbirds and Thrashers

gray catbird

northern mockingbird

brown thrasher

American pipit

**Sturnidae:** Starlings

European starling (exotic)

**Bombycillidae:** Waxwings

cedar waxwing

**Parulidae:** Wood-Warblers

orange-crowned warbler

Nashville warbler

northern parula

Cape May warbler

black-throated blue warbler

yellow-rumped warbler

yellow-throated warbler (verified J. Lemmons, 2014)

yellow warbler (C. Murphy and C. Hubbuch, 2015)

pine warbler

palm warbler

bay-breasted warbler

blackpoll warbler

cerulean warbler

black-and-white warbler

American redstart

magnolia warbler (verified Dr. Michael Lentz, 10/2008)

black-throated green warbler (verified Dr. Michael Lentz, 11/2007)

yellow-breasted chat (verified Dr. Michael Lentz, 9/2008)

prothonotary warbler

worm-eating warbler

common yellowthroat

ovenbird

northern waterthrush

Louisiana waterthrush

prairie warbler (verified Cathy Murphy 2012)  
hooded warbler

**Thraupidae:** Tanagers

summer tanager  
scarlet tanager

**Emberizidae:** New World Sparrows and Allies

eastern Towhee  
Bachman's sparrow  
chipping Sparrow  
field sparrow  
vesper sparrow  
savannah sparrow  
fox sparrow  
song sparrow  
swamp sparrow  
white-throated sparrow

**Cardinalidae:** Cardinals, Buntings, and Grosbeaks

northern cardinal  
indigo bunting  
painted bunting

**Icteridae:** Blackbirds and Orioles

bob-o-link  
red-winged blackbird  
eastern meadowlark (2012)  
rusty blackbird  
common grackle  
boat-tailed grackle  
brown-headed cowbird  
orchard oriole

**Fringillidae:** Finches

American goldfinch  
house finch

**Passeridae:** Old World Sparrows

house sparrow (exotic, found in urban parts of campus)