

COMMON NAME	Sp	Su	F	W
White-breasted Nuthatch*	u	u	ca	ca
Brown-headed Nuthatch	u	u	u	u
Creepers				
Brown Creeper	u	u		u
Gnatcatchers				
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	c	c	c	ca
Wrens				
House Wren	o		o	o
Winter Wren	u		u	u
Carolina Wren*	a	a	a	a
Bewick’s Wren				ca
Mockingbirds & Thrashers				
Gray Catbird	u	o	u	o
Brown Thrasher*	c	c	c	c
Northern Mockingbird*	a	a	a	a
Starlings				
European Starling*	c	c	c	c
Thrushes				
Eastern Bluebird*	c	c	c	c
Veery	u		u	
Gray-cheeked Thrush	u		u	
Swainson’s Thrush	u		u	
Hermit Thrush	u			c
Wood Thrush*	c	u	u	
American Robin*	c	c	c	a
Old World Sparrows				
House Sparrow	c	c	c	c
Finches				
Evening Grosbeak				ca
House Finch*	u	u	u	u
Purple Finch	u		u	o
Pine Siskin	o		o	o
American Goldfinch	c		u	c
Sparrows				
Chipping Sparrow*	u	u	u	u
Field Sparrow	u	u	u	u
Fox Sparrow				u
Dark-eyed Junco	c		c	c
White-crowned Sparrow	u			u
White-throated Sparrow	c		a	a
Vesper Sparrow			u	u
Savannah Sparrow			u	u
Song Sparrow	u		u	c
Lincoln’s Sparrow	o		o	
Swamp Sparrow	c		c	c
Eastern Towhee*	c	c	c	c
Blackbirds, Orioles, & Allies				
Yellow-breasted Chat	u	o	u	
Eastern Meadowlark*	u	u	u	u
Orchard Oriole	u	o	u	
Baltimore Oriole	u	u	u	

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Red-winged Blackbird*	c	c	c	c
Brown-headed Cowbird*	c	c	c	c
Rusty Blackbird	u			u
Brewer’s Blackbird				o
Common Grackle*	a	a	a	a
Wood Warblers				
Ovenbird	u		u	
Worm-eating Warbler	u		u	
Louisiana Waterthrush*	u	o	u	
Northern Waterthrush	o		o	
Golden-winged Warbler	o		o	
Blue-winged Warbler	u		o	
Black-and-white Warbler*	u	o	u	
Prothonotary Warbler*	c	c	u	
Swainson’s Warbler*	u	u	o	
Tennessee Warbler	u		u	
Orange-crowned Warbler	o		u	u
Nashville Warbler	o		o	
Mourning Warbler	ac		ac	
Kentucky Warbler*	u	o	u	
Common Yellowthroat*	c	u	u	u
Hooded Warbler*	c	c	c	
American Redstart*	u	u	u	
Cape May Warbler	ca			
Cerulean Warbler	o		o	
Northern Parula*	c	c	u	
Magnolia Warbler	o		u	
Bay-breasted Warbler	o		o	
Blackburnian Warbler	o		o	
Yellow Warbler	u		u	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	o		o	
Blackpoll Warbler	o			
Black-throated Blue Warbler			ca	
Palm Warbler	o		o	
Pine Warbler*	c	c	c	c
Yellow-rumped Warbler	c		c	a
Yellow-throated Warbler*	u	u	u	
Prairie Warbler	o		o	
Black-throated Green Warbler	u		u	
Canada Warbler	o		o	
Wilson’s Warbler	o		o	
Grosbeaks & Allies				
Summer Tanager*	c	c	u	
Scarlet Tanager	u		u	
Northern Cardinal*	a	a	a	a
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	u		u	
Blue Grosbeak*	u	u	u	
Indigo Bunting*	c	c	c	
Painted Bunting	o	o	o	

Seasonal Codes
 Sp = Spring.....March – May
 Su = SummerJune – July
 F = FallAugust – November
 W = WinterDecember – February

Abundance Codes
 a = abundant (numerous and widespread)
 c = common (certain to be seen/heard in suitable habitat)
 u = uncommon (present but not certain to be observed)
 o = occasional (observed only a few times during a season)
 ca = casual (observed only once every few years)
 ac = accidental (observed only once or twice total)
 * = species known to breed within the park

Date _____ Time _____

Weather _____

Observer(s) _____

Total Species _____

Notes: _____

This checklist was compiled by the Jackson Audubon Society, based on over 65 years of documented observations by JAS members. It is up to date as of July 2022. Printed by the Mississippi Museum of Natural Science.

If you should find an unlisted species, please let us know by calling the Jackson Audubon Society at 601-832-6788.

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Bird Checklist

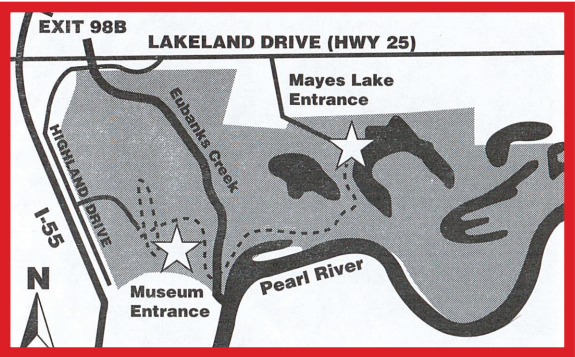
LeFleur’s Bluff State Park



LEFLEUR’S BLUFF STATE PARK encompasses 492 acres of Pearl River floodplain and adjacent uplands in the heart of Jackson, Mississippi. Oxbow lakes and cypress-tupelo swamps occupy depressions in the floodplain, while oak, elm, ash and other trees form a mixed bottomland hardwood forest in much of the park. Rising over 100 feet above the floodplain is a bluff which supports a rare and distinctive calcareous forest, characterized by species such as tulip tree, Shumard oak, and white ash. Less extensive communities include riverfront pioneer forest, shrub wetland, marsh, and the artificial grassland of the park’s golf course.

This diversity of habitats supports an exceptional array of bird life for an urban park. 211 species have been recorded here, with 75 of those known to breed within the park—including such noteworthy species as Wood Duck, Yellow-crowned Night-Heron, Mississippi Kite, Barred Owl, Acadian Flycatcher, Wood Thrush, Summer Tanager, and Prothonotary, Kentucky, and Hooded Warblers. Spring and fall bring waves of warblers and other Neotropical migrants, while a long list of waterfowl species have paid visits to the park’s waterbodies. Storks, ibises, and even Roseate Spoonbills occasionally wander here after the breeding season.

Birders from the novice to the expert will find much to occupy themselves here, from the Prothonotary Warbler nest-box trail, to the bird exhibits in the Mississippi Museum of Natural Science (located on the park grounds), to the extensive bird-viewing area— with feeders and a large water feature—on the eastern side of the Museum.



Hours of LeFleur’s Bluff State Park vary seasonally. Please call the Park Manager at 601-987-3923 for current information.

COMMON NAME	Sp	Su	F	W
Waterfowl				
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck*	u	u	u	
Canada Goose*	c	c	c	c
Wood Duck*	c	c	c	c
Blue-winged Teal	o		o	
Northern Shoveler	o		o	o
Gadwall	o		o	o
American Wigeon	ca		ca	ca
Mallard*	c	c	c	c
Northern Pintail			o	o
Green-winged Teal	o		o	o
Canvasback	ca			ca
Redhead	ca			ca
Ring-necked Duck	o		o	o
Greater Scaup				o
Lesser Scaup				ca
Bufflehead	o		o	o
Hooded Merganser	o		o	o
Red-breasted Merganser				ca
Ruddy Duck	o			o
Quail & Turkeys				
Northern Bobwhite	ac	ac	ac	ac
Wild Turkey	ca	ca	ca	ca
Grebes				
Pied-billed Grebe*	u	o	u	u
Pigeons & Doves				
Rock Pigeon*	u	u	u	u
Eurasian Collared-Dove	u	u	u	u
Mourning Dove*	a	a	a	a
Cuckoos				
Yellow-billed Cuckoo*	c	c	u	
Black-billed Cuckoo	o			
Nightjars				
Common Nighthawk*	c	c	u	
Chuck-will’s-widow	u			
Eastern Whip-poor-will	o			
Swifts & Hummingbirds				
Chimney Swift*	a	a	a	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	c	c	u	
Rails, Limpkins, & Cranes				
Virginia Rail				ca
Sora	o			o
Common Gallinule	u	u	u	
American Coot	o	o	o	o
Limpkin				ac
Sandhill Crane				ac
Shorebirds, Gulls, & Terns				
Killdeer*	u	u	u	u
Pectoral Sandpiper	o		o	
American Woodcock			ac	o
Wilson’s Snipe				u

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Spotted Sandpiper	ca		o	
Solitary Sandpiper	o		o	
Willet		ac		
Greater Yellowlegs	o		o	
Bonaparte’s Gull	u		u	u
Ring-billed Gull	u		u	u
Herring Gull	u		u	u
Forster’s Tern	u		u	u
Storks				
Wood Stork			o	
Frigatebirds, Anhingas, & Cormorants				
Magnificent Frigatebird				ac
Anhinga	o	o	o	o
Double-crested Cormorant	c	o	c	c
Pelicans				
American White Pelican	u			u
Herons & Egrets				
Great Blue Heron*	c	c	c	c
Great Egret*	c	c	c	c
Snowy Egret*	o	o	o	
Little Blue Heron	o	o	o	
Tricolored Heron		o	o	
Cattle Egret	u	u	u	
Green Heron*	c	c	c	
Black-crowned Night-Heron	ca	ca		
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron*	c	u	u	
Ibises & Spoonbills				
White Ibis	ca	ca	o	
Glossy Ibis	ca	ca	o	
Roseate Spoonbill		o	o	ca
New World Vultures				
Black Vulture	c	c	c	c
Turkey Vulture	c	c	c	c
Hawks, Eagles, & Allies				
Osprey	o	o	o	o
Swallow-tailed Kite		ac		
Northern Harrier			ca	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	u		u	u
Cooper’s Hawk	u	o	u	u
Bald Eagle	o	o	o	o
Mississippi Kite*	u	u	u	
Red-shouldered Hawk*	c	c	c	c
Broad-winged Hawk	o		o	
Red-tailed Hawk	u	u	u	u
Owls				
Barn Owl	ca			
Eastern Screech-Owl*	u	u	u	u
Great Horned Owl*	u	u	u	u
Barred Owl*	c	c	c	c
Kingfishers				
Belted Kingfisher	c	c	c	c

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Woodpeckers				
Red-headed Woodpecker*	a	c	c	a
Red-bellied Woodpecker*	a	a	a	a
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	c		c	c
Downy Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c
Hairy Woodpecker*	u	u	u	u
Northern Flicker*	c	u	c	c
Pileated Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c
Falcons				
American Kestrel	o	o	o	o
Merlin				ac
Flycatchers				
Great Crested Flycatcher*	c	c	u	
Eastern Kingbird*	c	u	u	
Olive-sided Flycatcher				ca
Eastern Wood-Pewee*	c	c	c	
Empidonax species	u		u	
Acadian Flycatcher*	c	c	u	
Willow Flycatcher				ca
Least Flycatcher	ca		ca	
Eastern Phoebe	u		u	c
Vireos				
White-eyed Vireo*	a	c	c	ca
Yellow-throated Vireo*	u	u	u	
Blue-headed Vireo	u		u	u
Philadelphia Vireo	o		o	
Warbling Vireo	o		o	
Red-eyed Vireo*	c	c	u	
Shrikes				
Loggerhead Shrike*	ca	ca	ca	ca
Jays & Crows				
Blue Jay*	a	a	a	a
American Crow*	a	a	a	a
Fish Crow*	a	a	a	a
Chickadees & Titmice				
Carolina Chickadee*	a	a	a	a
Tufted Titmouse*	a	a	a	a
Martins & Swallows				
Bank Swallow	ac			
Tree Swallow	u		u	
N. Rough-winged Swallow*	u	u	u	
Purple Martin*	c	c	u	
Barn Swallow*	c	c	u	
Cliff Swallow	u	u	u	
Kinglets				
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	u		c	c
Golden-crowned Kinglet	u		u	u
Waxwings				
Cedar Waxwing	c		c	c
Nuthatches				
Red-breasted Nuthatch			o	o