



Kickapoo Valley Reserve Birding Checklist ☐ Canada Goose • Red-headed Woodpecker • ☐ Northern Parula • ■ Tundra Swan Red-bellied Woodpecker • Yellow Warbler • ☐ Chestnut-sided Warbler Yellow-bellied Sapsucker • ☐ Wood Duck • ☐ Mallard • ☐ Downy Woodpecker • ☐ Black-throated Blue Warbler ☐ Hairy Woodpecker • ☐ Yellow-rumped Warbler ☐ Blue-winged Teal • ☐ Black-throated Green Warbler • ☐ Northern Shoveler ☐ Northern Flicker • ☐ Pileated Woodpecker • ☐ Blackburnian Warbler • ☐ Hooded Merganser Olive-sided Flycatcher ☐ Pine Warbler Ring-necked Pheasant • ☐ Ruffed Grouse • Eastern Wood-Pewee • Palm Warbler ■ Wild Turkey • ☐ Acadian Flycatcher • ☐ Blackpoll Warbler Cerulean Warbler • ■ Northern Bobwhite • □ Alder Flycatcher • Pied-billed Grebe • ☐ Willow Flycatcher • ■ American Redstart • American Bittern Least Flycatcher • ■ Worm-eating Warbler ☐ Great Blue Heron • Eastern Phoebe • Ovenbird • ☐ Great Crested Flycatcher • ☐ Great Egret Northern Waterthrush ☐ Green Heron • Louisiana Waterthrush • Eastern Kingbird -• ☐ Northern Shrike ☐ Kentucky Warbler • ■ Turkey Vulture • ☐ Bell's Vireo • Osprey Mourning Warbler • ☐ Bald Eagle • Yellow-throated Vireo • ☐ Common Yellowthroat • Northern Harrier • ☐ Blue-headed Vireo • ☐ Hooded Warbler • ☐ Sharp-shinned Hawk ■ Warbling Vireo • ☐ Wilson's Warbler ☐ Cooper's Hawk • Red-eyed Vireo • Yellow-breasted Chat • Scarlet Tanager • ■ Northern Goshawk ☐ Blue Jay • Red-shouldered Hawk • ☐ American Crow • ☐ Eastern Towhee • ☐ Broad-winged Hawk • ☐ Horned Lark ☐ American Tree Sparrow Red-tailed Hawk • ☐ Tree Swallow • ☐ Chipping Sparrow • ☐ Rough-legged Hawk ☐ Northern Rough-winged Swallow • ☐ Clay-colored Sparrow ☐ Cliff Swallow • ☐ Golden Eagle Field Sparrow • ☐ Barn Swallow • ☐ Gyrfalcon Vesper Sparrow • Savannah Sparrow • ☐ American Kestrel • ☐ Black-capped Chickadee • ■ Tufted Titmouse • □ Peregrine Falcon ☐ Grasshopper Sparrow • ☐ Virginia Rail • Red-breasted Nuthatch • ☐ Sora • ☐ White-breasted Nuthatch • Song Sparrow • Brown Creener American Coot Swamp Sparrow ☐ House Wren • White-throated Sparrow ☐ Sandhill Crane • ☐ Killdeer • ☐ White-crowned Sparrow ☐ Winter Wren • ☐ Spotted Sandpiper • ☐ Dark-eyed Junco ☐ Sedge Wren • ☐ Solitary Sandpiper ☐ Marsh Wren • ☐ Snow Bunting ☐ Greater Yellowlegs ☐ Golden-crowned Kinglet ■ Northern Cardinal • Lesser Yellowlegs Ruby-crowned Kinglet Rose-breasted Grosbeak • ☐ Wilson's Snipe ☐ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher • ☐ Indigo Bunting • ☐ Dickcissel • American Woodcock • ☐ Eastern Bluebird • ☐ Black Tern ☐ Veery • ☐ Bobolink • Rock Pigeon • ☐ Swainson's Thrush Red-winged Blackbird • ☐ Mourning Dove • ☐ Hermit Thrush ☐ Eastern Meadowlark • ☐ Yellow-billed Cuckoo • ☐ Wood Thrush • Common Grackle • ☐ Black-billed Cuckoo • ☐ Brown-headed Cowbird • ☐ American Robin • ☐ Eastern Screech-owl ☐ Gray Catbird • Orchard Oriole • Great Horned Owl • ☐ Baltimore Oriole • ☐ Brown Thrasher • ☐ Barred Owl • ☐ House Finch • ☐ European Starling • Common Nighthawk • ☐ Cedar Waxwing • Red Crossbill ☐ Whip-poor-will • ☐ Blue-winged Warbler • ☐ White-winged Crossbill ☐ Chimney Swift • Golden-winged Warbler American Goldfinch • ☐ Ruby-throated Hummingbird • ☐ Tennessee Warbler ☐ House Sparrow • Nashville Warbler • ☐ Belted Kingfisher •

ocated in the driftless area of southwest Wisconsin, the Kickapoo Valley Reserve offers 8,600 acres of forest, wetland, and prairie ecosystems.

The large forested areas within the Reserve provide habitat for Scarlet Tanagers, Ovenbirds, Wood Thrushes and many other species sensitive

to forest fragmentation. Kentucky Warblers and Acadian Flycatcher nest in the Reserve as well as the Louisiana Waterthrush, which is also found along the river corridor and some of the forested tributaries. Cerulean Warbler, Hooded Warbler, Worm-

eating Warbler, and Red-shouldered Hawk are rare species that have been reported on the Reserve.

Some species normally found farther north have been found during the nesting season in the large forested blocks or in areas with a cooler microclimate. These include Winter Wren, Northern Parula, Red-breasted Nuthatch, and Broad-winged Hawk.

The stands of large hemlock and white pine embedded within the extensive hardwood forests have also provided breeding season habitat for Black-throated Green Warblers and, more rarely,

Pine Warbler, Blackburnian Warbler, and Blue-headed Vireo.

More open habitats within the reserve have produced reports



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of Bell's Vireo, Henslow's Sparrow, and Dickcissel. Winter species include Golden Eagle occasional reports of Northern Goshawk, and rare reports of

Red Crossbill, White-winged Crossbill, and Bohemian Waxwing.

Given this varied list of species and habitats the Reserve has been recognized as a National Natural Landmark through the National Park Service and designated an Important Bird Area (IBA) by the Wisconsin Bird Conservation Initiative, Bird Life International and the Audubon Society.



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