

SEASON:

[S] [S] [F] [W]

WRENS

house wren -kn	U	C	R	
marsh wren -kn	R	U	R	
sedge wren -pn	R	U	R	

MIMICS

gray catbird -kn	C	C	R	
brown thrasher -pn	U	C	R	

THRUSHES

American robin -kn	C	A	C	[R]
wood thrush -pn	R	R	R	
hermit thrush	R	R	R	
Swainson's thrush	R	R	R	
veery -kn	U	C	R	
eastern bluebird -kn	C	C	R	

GNATCATCHERS & KINGLETS

blue-gray gnatcatcher -kn	U	R		
golden-crowned kinglet	U		U	
ruby-crowned kinglet	U		U	

WAXWINGS

cedar waxwing	R	C	U	
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SHRIKES

northern shrike	R		R	[R]
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VIREOS

yellow-throated vireo		R		
red-eyed vireo -pn	U	U	U	
Philadelphia vireo	R			
warbling vireo		R		

WARBLERS

black & white warbler	R	R	[R]	
blackpoll warbler	R			
prothonotary warbler	R			
Tennessee warbler	R		R	
Nashville warbler	R		R	
mourning warbler	R			
yellow warbler -kn	C	C	R	
magnolia warbler	R		R	
black-throated blue warbler	R		R	
yellow-rumped warbler	U		R	
black-throated green warbler	R		R	
blackburnian warbler	R		R	
Cape May warbler	R			
chestnut-sided warbler	R			
palm warbler	U		R	
ovenbird				[R]
northern waterthrush	R		R	
Louisiana waterthrush	R			
common yellowthroat -pn	U	C	R	
American redstart	R	R	R	

BLACKBIRDS

bobolink -kn	U	C		
eastern meadowlark -kn	U	U	R	
yellow-headed blackbird	R		R	
red-winged blackbird -kn	A	A	C	[R]
orchard oriole		R		
northern oriole	U	U		
rusty blackbird	R		R	
brewer's blackbird		R	R	
common grackle -pn	C	C	R	
brown-headed cowbird -kn	C	C	R	

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TANAGERS

scarlet tanager -pn	R	R		
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STARLINGS

European starling -kn	C	C	C	C
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WEAVER FINCH

house sparrow -kn	C	C	C	C
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GROSBEAKS, SPARROWS, ETC.

northern cardinal -kn	C	C	C	C
rose-breasted grosbeak -pn	R	C	C	
indigo bunting		U	U	
dickcissel		U	U	
house finch -kn	U	U	U	U
American goldfinch -kn	C	C	C	
rufous-sided towhee	R	R	R	
savannah sparrow	U	U	U	
dark-eyed junco	U	U	U	
American tree sparrow	U	U	U	
chipping sparrow -kn	U	C	U	
field sparrow -pn	U	C	U	
white-crowned sparrow	U		R	
white-throated sparrow	U		R	
fox sparrow	U		R	
Lincoln's sparrow		R	R	
swamp sparrow -kn	C	A	U	
song sparrow -kn	C	A	U	

OTHERS

NOTES:

date: _____ time: _____

observer(s): _____

total species: _____

weather: _____

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CHECKLIST OF

BIRDS


VOLO BOG
state natural area

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Volo Bog State Natural Area straddles Lake and McHenry Counties in the northeast corner of Illinois, within a 90-minute drive from Chicago. Its 869 acres include old fields, prairie restoration, woodlands, marshes and bogs. With such diverse habitat, this Illinois Department of Natural Resources site offers an excellent birding experience.

The following list and designations is based on recorded observations* since 1987.

A total of 169 species have been seen at Volo Bog State Natural Area of which 64 are known or suspected to nest on the site.

THE DESIGNATIONS:

A = ABUNDANT.....certain to be found in good numbers in suitable habitats

C = COMMON.....likely to be found in good numbers in suitable habitat

U = UNCOMMON.....possible to be found in small numbers in suitable habitat

R = RARE.....unlikely (but not impossible!) to be found, even in suitable habitat

pn = PROBABLE NESTER (not confirmed)

kn = KNOWN NESTER (occupied nest, flightless young, feeding behavior, etc...confirms nesting)

Accidentals: (seen on only one occasion during period of recorded observations)

red-necked grebe	Canada warbler
red-breasted merganser	bay-breasted warbler
yellow rail	Wilson's warbler
merlin	yellow-breasted chat
tufted titmouse	blackpoll warbler
red-breasted nuthatch	golden-winged warbler
solitary vireo	red crossbill
	grasshopper sparrow

This checklist is periodically updated. Please report any new sightings or confirmations of nesting to the office personnel or phone (815) 344-1294.

THANK YOU and HAPPY BIRDING!

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	SEASON:			
	S	S	F	W
GREBES				
red-necked grebe	R	R	R	
red-billed grebe	R	R	R	
CORMORANTS				
double-crested cormorant	R	R	R	
HERONS & BITTERNS				
great blue heron	C	C	U	R
great egret	C	C	U	R
green-backed heron -pn	C	C	U	R
black-crowned night heron	C	C	U	R
American bittern	C	C	U	R
least bittern	C	C	U	R
SWANS, GEESE & DUCKS				
Canada goose -kn	C	C	C	U
mallard -kn	C	C	C	U
green-winged teal	C	C	C	U
blue-winged teal -pn	C	C	C	U
American wigeon	C	C	C	U
northern shoveler	C	C	C	U
wood duck -kn	C	C	C	U
ring-necked duck	C	C	C	U
lesser scaup	C	C	C	U
bufflehead	C	C	C	U
hooded merganser	C	C	C	U
common merganser	C	C	C	U
VULTURES				
turkey vulture	U	U	R	
EAGLES & HAWKS				
sharp-shinned hawk	R	R	R	R
Cooper's hawk	R	R	R	R
northern harrier	R	R	R	R
red-tailed hawk -kn	C	C	C	C
red-shouldered hawk	C	C	C	C
broad-winged hawk	C	C	C	C
rough-legged hawk	C	C	C	C
bald eagle	C	C	C	C
osprey	R	R	R	R
FALCONS				
American kestrel -kn	C	C	C	C
UPLAND GAME BIRDS				
ring-necked pheasant -pn	C	C	U	U
CRANES				
sandhill crane -kn	U	U	U	
RAILS				
Virginia rail -kn	U	U	R	R
sora -kn	U	U	R	R
common moorhen	U	U	R	R
American coot	U	U	R	R
PLOVERS				
killdeer -kn	U	U	R	
SANDPIPERS				
greater yellowlegs	R	U	R	
lesser yellowlegs	R	U	R	
solitary sandpiper	R	U	R	
sanderling	R	U	R	
spotted sandpiper	R	U	R	
American woodcock -pn	U	U	R	
common snipe -pn	U	U	R	

	SEASON:			
	S	S	F	W
GULLS & TERNS				
herring gull	U	U	U	
ring-billed gull	U	U	U	
DOVES				
rock dove -kn	C	C	C	U
mourning dove -kn	C	C	C	U
CUCKOOS				
black-billed cuckoo	R	R		
TYPICAL OWLS				
screech owl -kn	U	U	U	U
great horned owl -pn	U	U	U	U
long-eared owl	U	U	U	U
saw-whet owl	U	U	U	U
GOATSUCKERS				
common nighthawk	R	R	R	
SWIFTS				
chimney swift	R			
HUMMINGBIRDS				
ruby-throated hummingbird -pn	R	U	R	
KINGFISHERS				
belted kingfisher	U	C	R	
WOODPECKERS				
common flicker -pn	C	C	U	C
red-bellied woodpecker -pn	C	C	U	C
red-headed woodpecker	C	C	U	C
yellow-bellied sapsucker	C	C	U	C
hairy woodpecker -pn	C	C	U	C
downy woodpecker -kn	C	C	U	C
FLYCATCHERS				
eastern kingbird -pn	U	C	R	
great crested flycatcher -pn	U	C	R	
eastern phoebe -pn	U	C	R	
willow flycatcher -pn	U	C	R	
alder flycatcher	U	C	R	
least flycatcher -pn	U	C	R	
eastern wood pewee -pn	U	C	R	
SWALLOWS				
tree swallow -kn	C	C	C	
rough-winged swallow	C	C	C	
bank swallow	C	C	C	
barn swallow -kn	C	C	C	
cliff swallow	C	C	C	
purple martin	U	U	R	
CORVIDS				
blue jay -pn	C	C	C	U
crow -kn	A	A	A	A
TITMICE				
black-capped chickadee -kn	C	C	C	C
NUTHATCHES				
white-breasted nuthatch -pn	C	C	C	C
CREEPERS				
brown creeper	U	R		