

WARBLERS (cont.)	S	Sp	Su	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Magnolia Warbler	-	c	-	c	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Cape May Warbler	-	r	-	o	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Blue Warbler	-	u	-	u	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler	c	c	-	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Green Warbler	-	u	-	u	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackburnian Warbler	-	o	-	o	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-throated Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine Warbler*	o	c	c	c	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Prairie Warbler*	-	c	c	c	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Palm Warbler	-	u	-	c	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Bay-breasted Warbler	-	r	-	u	-
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<input type="checkbox"/> Black and white Warbler*	r	u	o	u	-
<input type="checkbox"/> American Redstart	-	c	-	c	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Prothonotary Warbler	-	r	-	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Worm-eating Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Ovenbird*	-	u	u	u	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Waterthrush	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Louisiana Waterthrush	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Kentucky Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat*	r	c	c	c	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Hooded Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Warbler	-	r	-	o	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-breasted Chat	-	r	-	r	-
TANAGERS-SPARROWS					
<input type="checkbox"/> Scarlet Tanager	-	o	r	o	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Towhee*	c	c	c	c	o
<input type="checkbox"/> American Tree Sparrow	-	-	-	r	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Chipping Sparrow*	o	c	c	c	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Field Sparrow*	c	c	c	c	u
<input type="checkbox"/> Vesper Sparrow	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Savannah Sparrow	u	c	-	c	o
<input type="checkbox"/> Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrow*	o	u	u	u	o
<input type="checkbox"/> Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow	r	-	-	-	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Seaside Sparrow*	r	c	c	c	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Fox Sparrow	o	o	-	u	u
<input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow*	c	c	c	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Swamp Sparrow*	u	u	-	u	u
<input type="checkbox"/> White-throated Sparrow	c	c	-	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> White-crowned Sparrow	r	r	-	r	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Dark-eyed Junco	c	u	-	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Lapland Longspur	r	-	-	r	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Bunting	o	-	-	c	c
FINCHES-BLACKBIRDS-WEAVER					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Cardinal*	c	c	c	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Rose-breasted Grosbeak	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Grosbeak*	-	u	u	u	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Indigo Bunting*	-	u	u	u	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Bobolink	-	r	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird*	c	c	c	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Meadowlark*	o	o	o	o	o
<input type="checkbox"/> Rusty Blackbird	r	-	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Boat-tailed Grackle*	u	u	u	u	u
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Grackle*	c	c	c	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird*	c	c	c	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Orchard Oriole*	-	o	r	o	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore Oriole*	-	u	-	u	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Finch	r	-	-	r	r

FINCHES-BLACKBIRDS	S	Sp	Su	F	W
WEAVER (cont.)					
<input type="checkbox"/> House Finch*	c	c	c	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Crossbill	r	-	-	r	r
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Crossbill	r	-	-	r	r
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Redpoll	-	-	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine Siskin	-	-	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> American Goldfinch*	c	c	c	c	c
<input type="checkbox"/> Evening Grosbeak	r	-	-	r	-
<input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow*	c	c	c	c	c

ACCIDENTAL

The following species have been seen at Cape Henlopen fewer than five times. If you see any of these species or one that is not included in the list above, please report your sighting to the staff at the Seaside Nature Center.

- Eared Grebe
- Western Grebe
- Magnificent Frigatebird
- Gull-billed Tern
- Sooty Tern
- Gray Flycatcher
- Gray Kingbird
- Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
- Clay-colored Sparrow
- Lark Sparrow
- Grasshopper Sparrow
- LeConte's Sparrow
- Harris's Sparrow

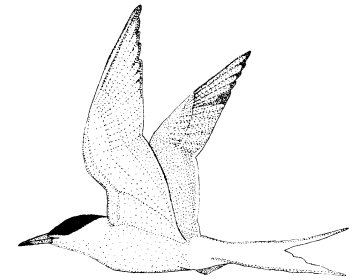
NOTES

Birds of Cape Henlopen State Park

Cape Henlopen State Park offers bird enthusiasts unlimited opportunities to study and enjoy the natural world of the Delaware Seashore. The Park's geographic location at the mouth of Delaware Bay, along the Atlantic flyway, and where northern and southern ranges meet, puts it in the direct flight path of a great variety of birdlife. The Park's many habitats – bay and ocean waters and beaches, dunes, fresh and saltwater wetlands, forest and a brackish water impoundment provide critical feeding, resting and nesting areas for a diversity of migrating and breeding birds.

Cape Henlopen offers excellent birding year round. In spring and fall shorebirds, songbirds and raptors move through the park in impressive numbers. A hawk watch is conducted from the Bunker overlook during April and May and again during September and October. In late October and early November thousands of seaducks, cormorants, gannets and loons stream past the Cape as they migrate south. Winter offers the chance to see northern visitors like snow bunting, common eider and snowy owl. During the summer months piping plover nest on the beaches at the Point and Gordons Pond, common nighthawks nest in the ocean dunes and Chuck-will's-widows nest in the Park's pine forest. Brown-headed nuthatches are year-round residents in the Park's pine forests and are regular visitors to the feeding station at the Seaside Nature Center. The Point, Herring Point, the Dune Overlook and Saltmarsh Spur Trails and Gordons Pond are the most productive birding areas in the Park, but birds can and are found just about everywhere.

This checklist includes 283 species that can be seen in the Park fairly regularly and another 13 accidental species that have been seen in the park less than five times. The list is based on the Seventh Edition of the American Ornithological Union's Checklist of North American Birds. We ask that birders record their sightings on the Bird Sighting Sheet located near the entrance of the Seaside Nature Center. Your sightings are crucial



to helping us better understand the abundance and occurrence of birds at Cape Henlopen State Park.

Seasons

Early spring (15 March - April)	S
Late Spring (May 1 - 15 June)	Sp
Summer (15 June - August)	Su
Fall (September - November)	F
Winter (December - 15 March)	W

Relative Abundance

Common (**c**) - Fairly abundant and likely to be seen in proper habitat on each visit.

Uncommon (**u**) - Present in small numbers and not always seen on every visit.

Occasional (**o**) - Occurs sporadically in proper season and habitat.

Rare (**r**) - Seldom seen.

* Indicates a species that nests or has nested in the Park

Species in **bold** print are neotropical migrants. They spend the winter in tropical regions of South and Central America.

Species in *italicized* print are species that have been introduced into North America by humans.

LOONS-GREBES	S	Sp	Su	F	W
☐Red-throated Loon	c	u	r	c	c
☐Common Loon	u	u	r	o	u
☐Pied-billed Grebe	u	u	r	u	u
☐Horned Grebe	u	u	-	u	u
☐Red-necked Grebe	r	-	-	r	r
STORM-PETREL-PELICANS-CORMORANTS					
☐Wilson's Storm-Petrel	-	-	r	-	-
☐Northern Gannet	c	u	r	c	u
☐American White Pelican	r	-	-	-	-
☐Brown Pelican	r	u	u	u	r
☐Double-crested Cormorant	c	c	u	c	c
☐Great Cormorant	u	r	-	u	u
BITTERNS-HERONS-IBISES					
☐American Bittern	r	r	-	r	r
☐Great Blue Heron	c	c	c	c	c
☐Great Egret	c	c	c	c	r
☐Snowy Egret	c	c	c	c	r
☐Little Blue Heron	o	o	o	o	r
☐Tricolored Heron	o	o	o	o	r
☐Cattle Egret	r	r	r	r	-
☐Green Heron*	r	c	c	u	-
☐Black-crowned Night-Heron	u	u	u	u	r
☐Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	-	r	r	r	-
☐Glossy Ibis	u	u	o	o	-
VULTURES-GEESE-SWANS-DUCKS					
☐Black Vulture	u	u	o	u	u
☐Turkey Vulture	c	c	c	c	c
☐Snow Goose	c	r	-	c	c
☐Canada Goose	c	o	o	c	c
☐Brant	u	r	r	u	u
☐Tundra Swan	r	-	-	r	r
☐Mute Swan	r	r	r	r	r
☐Wood Duck	r	r	-	o	r
☐Gadwall	o	o	-	o	o
☐Eurasian Wigeon	r	-	-	r	r
☐American Wigeon	o	o	-	o	o
☐American Black Duck	c	c	c	c	c
☐Mallard	c	c	c	c	c
☐Blue-winged Teal	u	o	-	u	-
☐Northern Shoveler	o	o	-	u	u
☐Northern Pintail	u	o	-	u	u
☐Green-winged Teal	c	u	-	c	c
☐Canvasback	r	-	-	r	r
☐Redhead	r	-	-	r	r
☐Ring-necked Duck	r	-	-	o	o
☐Greater Scaup	u	-	-	u	u
☐Lesser Scaup	o	-	-	o	o
☐King Eider	r	r	r	r	r
☐Common Eider	r	r	r	o	o
☐Harlequin Duck	r	-	-	r	r
☐Surf Scoter	c	o	o	c	c
☐White-winged Scoter	o	r	r	o	o
☐Black Scoter	c	o	o	c	c
☐Oldsquaw	u	-	-	u	u
☐Bufflehead	c	o	-	c	c
☐Common Goldeneye	r	-	-	r	o
☐Hooded Merganser	u	u	-	u	u
☐Common Merganser	r	-	-	r	r

DUCKS (cont.)	S	Sp	Su	F	W
☐Red-breasted Merganser	c	o	r	c	c
☐Ruddy Duck	o	-	-	u	u
HAWKS-FALCONS					
☐Osprey*	c	c	c	c	r
☐Swallow-tailed Kite	r	-	-	-	-
☐Mississippi Kite	r	r	-	-	-
☐Bald Eagle	o	o	o	o	o
☐Northern Harrier	u	o	-	u	u
☐Sharp-shinned Hawk	c	u	-	c	o
☐Cooper's Hawk	u	-	-	u	r
☐Northern Goshawk	-	-	-	r	-
☐Red-shouldered Hawk	r	-	-	r	-
☐Broad-winged Hawk	r	-	-	o	-
☐Red-tailed Hawk*	o	o	o	o	o
☐Rough-legged Hawk	-	-	-	r	r
☐American Kestrel	c	o	-	c	o
☐Merlin	u	r	-	u	o
☐Peregrine Falcon	o	o	r	u	o
TURKEY-QUAIL-RAILS					
☐Wild Turkey	r	r	r	r	r
☐Northern Bobwhite	u	u	u	u	u
☐Clapper Rail	c	c	c	c	o
☐Virginia Rail	r	r	r	r	r
☐Sora	r	r	-	r	-
☐Common Moorhen	r	-	-	-	-
☐American Coot	o	r	-	o	o
PLOVERS-SANDPIPERS					
☐Black-bellied Plover	c	c	-	c	u
☐American Golden-Plover	-	r	-	r	-
☐Semipalmated Plover	-	c	c	c	-
☐Piping Plover*	u	u	u	o	-
☐Killdeer*	c	c	c	c	c
☐American Oystercatcher*	u	u	u	u	o
☐Black-necked Stilt	-	r	r	r	-
☐American Avocet	-	r	-	r	-
☐Greater Yellowlegs	c	c	c	c	u
☐Lesser Yellowlegs	u	c	c	c	u
☐Solitary Sandpiper	r	u	-	o	-
☐Willet	r	c	c	c	-
☐Spotted Sandpiper	-	c	u	c	-
☐Upland Sandpiper	-	r	-	r	-
☐Whimbrel	-	o	-	o	-
☐Hudsonian Godwit	-	-	r	-	-
☐Marbled Godwit	-	-	r	-	-
☐Ruddy Turnstone	c	c	r	c	c
☐Red Knot	-	u	-	o	r
☐Sanderling	c	c	c	c	c
☐Semipalmated Sandpiper	-	c	c	c	-
☐Western Sandpiper	-	r	o	o	-
☐Least Sandpiper	-	c	c	c	-
☐White-rumped Sandpiper	-	o	o	o	-
☐Baird's Sandpiper	-	-	r	r	-
☐Pectoral Sandpiper	-	u	u	u	-
☐Purple Sandpiper	u	o	-	o	u
☐Dunlin	c	c	-	c	c
☐Stilt Sandpiper	-	o	o	o	-
☐Short-billed Dowitcher	c	c	c	c	o
☐Long-billed Dowitcher	r	-	-	r	-
☐Common Snipe	o	o	-	o	o

SANDPIPERS (cont.)	S	Sp	Su	F	W
☐American Woodcock	o	o	o	o	o
☐Wilson's Phalarope	-	r	r	r	-
☐Red-necked Phalarope	-	r	-	r	-
☐Red Phalarope	-	r	-	r	-
JAEGERS-GULLS-TERNs-ALCID					
☐Pomarine Jaeger	-	r	-	r	-
☐Parasitic Jaeger	-	r	-	o	-
☐Laughing Gull	c	c	c	c	r
☐Little Gull	-	-	-	-	r
☐Black-headed Gull	r	-	-	-	r
☐Bonaparte's Gull	c	u	-	u	c
☐Ring-billed Gull	c	c	o	c	c
☐Herring Gull*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Iceland Gull	r	-	-	-	r
☐Lesser Black-backed Gull	r	-	-	r	r
☐Glaucous Gull	r	-	-	-	r
☐Great Black-backed Gull*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Black-legged Kittiwake	-	-	-	r	r
☐Caspian Tern	-	c	u	c	-
☐Royal Tern	r	-	o	c	-
☐Sandwich Tern	-	-	o	r	-
☐Roseate Tern	-	r	-	r	-
☐Common Tern	o	c	c	c	r
☐Arctic Tern	-	r	-	-	-
☐Forster's Tern	c	c	c	c	u
☐Least Tern*	-	u	u	u	-
☐Black Tern	-	r	o	r	-
☐Black Skimmer*	-	o	u	o	r
☐Razorbill	-	-	-	-	r
DOVES-CUCKOOS-OWLS					
☐Rock Dove*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Mourning Dove*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Black-billed Cuckoo	-	r	-	o	-
☐Yellow-billed Cuckoo	-	o	r	o	-
☐Eastern Screech-Owl*	u	u	u	u	u
☐Great Horned Owl*	u	u	u	u	u
☐Snowy Owl	-	-	-	r	r
☐Short-eared Owl	r	-	-	r	r
☐Northern Saw-whet Owl	-	-	-	-	r
GOATSUCKERS-HUMMINGBIRD-KINGFISHER					
☐Common Nighthawk*	-	c	c	c	-
☐Chuck-will's-widow*	-	c	c	c	-
☐Whip-poor-will	-	r	r	r	-
☐Chimney Swift	-	c	c	c	-
☐Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	-	u	u	u	-
☐Belted Kingfisher	u	o	r	u	u
WOODPECKERS					
☐Red-headed Woodpecker	-	-	-	r	-
☐Red-bellied Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	-	-	-	r	r
☐Downy Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Hairy Woodpecker*	u	u	u	u	u
☐Northern Flicker*	c	c	u	c	c
FLYCATCHERS-SHRIKES-VIREOS	S	Sp	Su	F	W
☐Olive-sided Flycatcher	-	r	-	-	-
☐Eastern Wood-Pewee*	-	u	u	u	-
☐Acadian Flycatcher*	-	o	o	-	-
☐Least Flycatcher	-	r	-	r	-
☐Eastern Phoebe*	o	o	o	u	-

FLYCATCHERS-SHRIKES-VIREOS (cont.)	S	Sp	Su	F	W
☐Great Crested Flycatcher*	-	c	c	c	-
☐Western Kingbird	-	-	-	r	-
☐Eastern Kingbird*	-	c	c	c	-
☐Northern Shrike	r	-	-	-	r
☐Loggerhead Shrike	-	r	-	-	-
☐White-eyed Vireo*	-	c	c	c	-
☐Yellow-throated Vireo	-	r	-	r	-
☐Blue-headed Vireo	-	o	-	o	r
☐Warbling Vireo	-	r	-	r	-
☐Philadelphia Vireo	-	r	-	r	-
☐Red-eyed Vireo*	-	c	c	c	-
CROWS-SWALLOWS-TITMICE					
☐Blue Jay*	c	c	c	c	c
☐American Crow	c	c	u	c	c
☐Fish Crow*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Horned Lark	r	r	r	r	r
☐Purple Martin*	-	c	c	c	-
☐Tree Swallow*	c	c	c	c	o
☐Northern Rough-winged Swallow	-	o	-	o	-
☐Bank Swallow	-	o	-	o	-
☐Cliff Swallow	-	o	-	o	-
☐Barn Swallow*	-	c	c	c	-
☐Carolina Chickadee*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Tufted Titmouse*	c	c	c	c	c
NUTHATCHES- WRENS- KINGLETS					
☐Red-breasted Nuthatch	c	-	-	c	c
☐Brown-headed Nuthatch*	u	u	u	u	u
☐Brown Creeper	o	o	-	o	o
☐Carolina Wren*	c	c	c	c	c
☐House Wren*	-	c	c	c	-
☐Winter Wren	o	r	-	o	o
☐Marsh Wren*	-	c	c	c	r
☐Golden-crowned Kinglet	c	c	-	c	c
☐Ruby-crowned Kinglet	u	u	-	u	u
☐Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	o	c	o	c	-
THRUSHES					
☐Eastern Bluebird*	o	o	o	o	r
☐Veery	-	o	-	o	-
☐Gray-checked Thrush	-	o	-	o	-
☐Swainson's Thrush	-	o	-	o	-
☐Hermit Thrush	u	u	-	u	u
☐Wood Thrush*	-	c	u	u	-
☐American Robin*	c	c	c	c	c
THRASHERS-PIPIT-WAXWING					
☐Gray Catbird*	r	c	c	c	r
☐Northern Mockingbird*	c	c	c	c	c
☐Brown Thrasher*	o	c	c	c	r
☐European Starling*	c	c	c	c	c
☐American Pipit	r	r	-	r	r
☐Cedar Waxwing*	u	u	u	u	u
WARBLERS					
☐Blue-winged Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
☐Tennessee Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
☐Orange-crowned Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
☐Nashville Warbler	-	r	-	r	-
☐Northern Parula*	-	u	-	u	-
☐Yellow Warbler*	-	o	o	o	-
☐Chestnut-sided Warbler	-	o	-	o	-