



Backyard Birds of Central Florida

At Bird Feeders - Many birds will visit feeders year-round. Some species look different in the winter, with duller, more mottled plumage.



Northern Cardinal

Cardinalis cardinalis



Tufted Titmouse

Baeolophus bicolor



Blue Jay

Cyanocitta cristata



Carolina Chickadee

Poecile carolinensis



Ruby-throated Hummingbird

Archilochus colubris



House Finch

Haemorhous mexicanus



American Goldfinch (w)

Spinus tristis

In Trees, on Trunks and Branches - Look for mixed flocks moving through the trees hunting insects or feeding on berries. Listen for dove coos, owl hoots, and woodpecker drums.



Mourning Dove

Zenaida macroura



Great Crested Flycatcher (s)

Myiarchus crinitus



Northern Parula

Setophaga americana



Yellow-throated Warbler

Setophaga dominica



Barred Owl

Strix varia



Eastern Phoebe (w)

Sayornis phoebe



Blue-grey Gnatcatcher

Polioptila caerulea



Chipping Sparrow (w)*

Spizella passerina



American Robin (w)*

Turdus migratorius



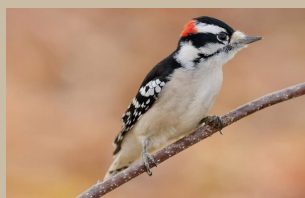
Yellow-rumped Warbler (w)*

Setophaga coronata



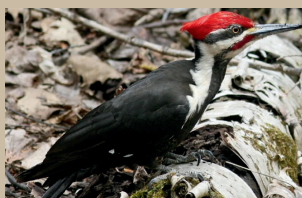
Red-bellied Woodpecker

Melanerpes carolinus



Downy Woodpecker

Dryobates pubescens



Pileated Woodpecker

Dryocopus pileatus

s = summer only

w = winter only

* = often found on the ground

In and Around Bushes, Shrubs, and Hedges - Look in brushy vegetation as it provides nesting sites, food, and cover for many birds. Try saying “Pish-Pish-Pish” and some birds may peek their head out!



Carolina Wren
Thryothorus ludovicianus



White-eyed Vireo
Vireo griseus



Common Yellowthroat
Geothlypis trichas



Brown Thrasher
Toxostoma rufum



Gray Catbird (w)
Dumetella carolinensis



Northern Mockingbird
Mimus polyglottos

Large Walking Birds - These species can fly but spend most of their time foraging on foot.



Sandhill Crane
Antigone canadensis



Juvenile White Ibis
Eudocimus albus



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Wild Turkey
Meleagris gallopavo

Flying Overhead - Listen for crow caws or the sharp cries of ospreys, herons, hawks, or eagles. These common flyover species have distinctive body shapes.



American Crow
Corvus brachyrhynchos



Swallow-tailed Kite*
Elanoides forficatus



Osprey
Pandion haliaetus



Great Blue Heron
Ardea herodias



Red-tailed Hawk
Buteo jamaicensis



Bald Eagle
Haliaeetus leucocephalus



Red-shouldered Hawk
Buteo lineatus



Turkey Vulture
Cathartes aura



Black Vulture
Coragyps atratus

*Spring, summer, and early fall only

Weedy Fields, Edges, and Scrubby Areas - These birds may be hidden in tall grass or thickets and pop up on a stem or branch to look around.



Eastern Bluebird
Sialia sialis



Painted Bunting
Passerina ciris



Palm Warbler* (w)
Setophaga palmarum



Eastern Towhee
Pipilo erythrophthalmus

*Look for tail bobbing, a common behavior of this species.