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Yellow-headed Blackbird

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VENT's Minnesota & North Dakota tour combines a broad spectrum of vast scenery with incredible bird life and a great deal of locally-sourced cuisine. This birding adventure delves deep into the boreal forest, as well as the core of the prairie potholes, a unique region of the northern prairies.



North American Porcupine

After savoring fresh-caught walleye and a rotating 360° view overlooking Duluth on our first evening, we ventured into the renowned Sax-Zim Bog for a brief jaunt of birding. The horizons of aspen and black spruce trees welcomed us to northern Minnesota. Numerous “fitz bews” of the Alder Flycatcher were heard along the roadside. We started the tour on an exceptional note with mammal observations that included not only an American Beaver paddling around in the water but also a North American Porcupine dining on tree bark! The air was cool and calm, smelling of sweet bog. The sense of place was incredible, and we had only birded an hour together.

An early departure took us up to the Superior National Forest. Mixed old growth woodlands sheltered warblers and provided plentiful food for the many nesting birds. Ancient white pines and red pines towered into the sky. Our first bird of the day was a Tennessee Warbler, singing proudly atop “his” boreal neighborhood. Chestnut-sided Warblers and Blackburnian Warblers flitted energetically among the leafed-out branches in search of breakfast. Several Mourning Warblers belted out their songs from the thickets, while one male was oddly observed atop a spruce tree. The Blue-headed Vireos brought smiles to our faces as both kinglet species called nearby. There were so many birds all over the forest! White Pine Campground brought forth a dapper male Northern Parula as Yellow-rumped Warblers serenaded each other. In the afternoon we birded down the scenic North Shore of Lake Superior, visiting several vistas both in the town of Two Harbor and along the world’s longest freshwater peninsula, Park Point.



Superior National Forest

The next day was our full day of birding Sax-Zim Bog. At daybreak we spotted a singing LeConte’s Sparrow producing his delicate insect-like song along a sedge meadow. The elusive and sought-after Connecticut Warblers sang forcefully, deep in the waterlogged tamarack forests. A breeding pair of Sandhill Cranes bugled out in a field, and adult male Northern Harriers bounded nearby in search of rodents for their mates and young. Hearty pasties, followed by homemade pie, hit the spot. It’s hard to get enough of Sax-Zim Bog, so we spent the afternoon exploring more forests, bogs, and prairies of this beautiful area. By the end of this second day of birding we had tallied twenty species of warblers!

Duluth is known for its scenery as well as great birding opportunities. After fueling ourselves with a tasty breakfast at Caribou Coffee, we headed up to Hawk Ridge Bird Observatory. The expansive tree-topped ridges and seemingly endless horizon of Lake Superior took our breaths away. While its claim to fame comes with the autumn raptor migration, Hawk Ridge is a must-visit spot for birding the summer months. Indigo Buntings, Cedar Waxwings, and Mourning Warblers sang away at the top of Hawk Ridge. As we headed west to Detroit Lakes, our home for the next two nights, we came across nesting Common Goldeneyes, Common Loons, and Trumpeter Swans. After a joyous and memorable lunch at Harry's Bar, we had fantastic looks at male Baltimore Orioles and American Redstarts. The legendary almond & parmesan-crusted walleye was a big hit at the Fireside Restaurant where we dined later in the evening.

The next morning was filled with prairie birds. Grasshopper Sparrows shuffled along grassy fields as Red-tailed Hawks soared overhead. Bobolinks fluttered through the skies while boasting their impeccable songs. Following the first half of the day's prairie birding, we trekked through Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge, one of the premier woodland gems of northern Minnesota. Clay-colored Sparrows buzzed throughout the grasses. Rose-breasted Grosbeaks dined on seeds and berries higher up in the trees. The deep-blue lakes glowed against the masses of pine trees that surrounded us. Yellow Lady's Slippers grew in clusters along the paved roads. We had an exceptionally memorable view of a Yellow-bellied Sapsucker that called and drilled sap wells right in front of us! Starting the next morning, we had our sights on a different prairie and worked our way further west into different grasslands. We went for a hike through shortgrass prairie, and the weather couldn't have



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been more welcoming. Numerous Sharp-tailed Grouse were seen flying among the hills, as were Western Meadowlarks and the cinnamon-winged Marbled Godwits. Nesting Orchard Orioles were seen in little islands of cottonwoods among the rolling grasslands. While en route to our North Dakota hotel, we visited Hobart Lake National Wildlife Refuge, where the thrill of prairie birding really took hold. Western Grebes mingled with Ruddy Ducks and Northern Pintails. Yellow-headed Blackbirds outnumbered Red-winged Blackbirds. Eared Grebes outnumbered Pied-billed Grebes. Small groups of American White Pelicans drifted overhead, a sampling of a treasure to come in the following days.



American White Pelicans near Chase Lake

The air was crisp the upcoming morning. The daily prairie winds hadn't quite picked up yet with our early departure. Numerous potholes (lakes) were visited over the course of the day. Each one hosted a rich array of waterfowl diversity. American Avocets fed gracefully among the shallow waters as California Gulls flew by with Franklin's Gulls. Dining opportunities are few and far between while birding in central North Dakota. We enjoyed a tasty lunch topped with a selection of homemade pie at Carol's Kitchen, a standalone diner in the petite town of Robinson. In the afternoon we birded Chase Lake, home to the largest concentration of American White Pelicans in North America! Thousands of them moved across the sky in a sense of controlled chaos. Even grander amounts of pelicans were seen on the distant island within Chase Lake. Words fall short when trying to describe seeing so many pelicans at one time. On the drive home we found a small flock of Snow Geese and a Greater White-fronted Goose. The Prairie Pothole region is known as the "duck capital of the Midwest" for good reason. By the end of the day, we had tallied 15 waterfowl species.



Copulating American Avocets

A gorgeous hike through native shortgrass prairie was in store for us the following morning. Upon starting our hike at the select field, we were greeted by Chestnut-collared Longspurs, notably the most abundant bird on that tract of land. A short trek over rolling hills took us to one of the primary target birds of the tour, a Baird's Sparrow. The handsome male



Baird's Sparrow

Baird's Sparrow projected his robust song over the prairie as his golden-orange crown showed proudly. To our delight, a second major target of the tour flew into view, a Sprague's Pipit. This pale-bellied songbird skylarked astoundingly high into the sky as it sang its melodious trickle of high notes. Both species are declining at alarming rates. It was a privilege to be in the presence of both of these species—a moment of shortgrass prairie birding zen. That afternoon we made

an obligatory visit to the world's tallest Sandhill Crane in the town of Steele.



Where Prairie Potholes meet Boreal Forest

Our last full day together combined maple forest birding with a scenic drive back to northeastern Minnesota. Every hour of driving offered a different spectrum of prairie, a different variety of forest, a different flow of water. Maplewood State Park was a great break to the long drive, offering many birds and a pleasant hike through the woods. Our last evening together was spent walking along the McGregor Marsh after sundown. Sedge Wrens and LeConte's Sparrows sang among hundreds of illuminated lightning bugs. We heard a total of four Yellow Rails among the sedge meadow. Some were quite close to the road, whereas others were farther away. Their sharply strung-together series of calls were heard clearly under the calm star-filled skies.

The bird life between northern Minnesota and central North Dakota is truly exceptional. We met amazing folks along the way and enjoyed a rich sense of place every day.

KEY:

SZB - Sax-Zim Bog
SNF - Superior National Forest
LS - Lake Superior
HR - Hawk Ridge
WW - Walker Water Treatment
and Nearby Area
HS - Hamden Slough National
Wildlife Refuge
TNWR - Tamarack National
Wildlife Refuge
FP - Felton Prairie
PP - Prairie Potholes (central
North Dakota)
MSP - Maplewood State Park
MM - McGregor Marsh

BIRDS:

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	
Waterfowl	Anatidae	
Greater White-fronted Goose	<i>Anser albifrons</i>	PP
Snow Goose	<i>Anser caerulescens</i>	PP
Canada Goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>	Seen every day
Trumpeter Swan	<i>Cygnus buccinator</i>	SZB, TMWR
Wood Duck	<i>Aix sponsa</i>	SZB, TMWR, MSP
Blue-winged Teal	<i>Spatula discors</i>	WW, PP
Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>	SZB, PP
Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>	PP
American Wigeon	<i>Mareca americana</i>	PP
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Seen every day
Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	PP
Green-winged Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	PP
Canvasback	<i>Aythya valisineria</i>	PP
Redhead	<i>Aythya americana</i>	PP
Ring-necked Duck	<i>Aythya collaris</i>	WW, PP
Lesser Scaup	<i>Aythya affinis</i>	PP
Common Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>	WW
Hooded Merganser	<i>Lophodytes cucullatus</i>	MSP
Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	LS
Ruddy Duck	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>	PP
Pheasants, Grouse and Allies	Phasianidae	
Gray Partridge (I)	<i>Perdix perdix</i>	PP - We found three of them! Very uncommon bird.
Ring-necked Pheasant (I)	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	PP
Sharp-tailed Grouse	<i>Tympanuchus phasianellus</i>	PP
Wild Turkey	<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>	SZB, TNWR, MSP
Grebes	Podicipedidae	
Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>	WW, PP, MSP
Red-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>	PP
Eared Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>	PP
Western Grebe	<i>Aechmophorus occidentalis</i>	PP
Pigeons and Doves	Columbidae	
Rock Pigeon (I)	<i>Columba livia</i>	Seen every day
Eurasian Collared-Dove (I)	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	PP. Seen in small drive through prairie towns, often associated with grain elevators.
Mourning Dove	<i>Zenaida macroura</i>	SZB, HR, WW, HS, TNWR, PP, MSP
Swifts	Apodidae	
Chimney Swift	<i>Chaetura pelagica</i>	PP
Hummingbirds	Trochilidae	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	<i>Archilochus colubris</i>	HR, TNWR
Rails, Gallinules and Coots	Rallidae	
Yellow Rail	<i>Coturnicops noveboracensis</i>	MM - Heard four of them!
Virginia Rail	<i>Rallus limicola</i>	PP
Sora	<i>Porzana carolina</i>	TNWR, PP
American Coot	<i>Fulica americana</i>	PP, MSP
Cranes	Gruidae	
Sandhill Crane	<i>Antigone canadensis</i>	SZB, PP
Stilts and Avocets	Recurvirostridae	
American Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra americana</i>	PP
Plovers and Lapwings	Charadriidae	

Killdeer	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>	SZB, PP
Sandpipers and Allies	Scolopacidae	
Upland Sandpiper	<i>Bartramia longicauda</i>	FP, PP
Marbled Godwit	<i>Limosa fedoa</i>	FP, PP
Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>	LS
White-rumped Sandpiper	<i>Calidris fuscicollis</i>	PP
Semipalmated Sandpiper	<i>Calidris pusilla</i>	PP
American Woodcock	<i>Scolopax minor</i>	MSP
Wilson's Snipe	<i>Gallinago delicata</i>	HS, TNWR, PP
Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularius</i>	SZB
Willet	<i>Tringa semipalmata</i>	PP
Wilson's Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus tricolor</i>	PP
Gulls, Terns and Skimmers	Laridae	
Franklin's Gull	<i>Leucophaeus pipixcan</i>	PP
Ring-billed Gull	<i>Larus delawarensis</i>	Seen every day
California Gull	<i>Larus californicus</i>	PP
Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	LS
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	WW, PP
Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>	PP
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	LS
Forster's Tern	<i>Sterna forsteri</i>	WW, PP, MSP
Loons	Gaviidae	
Common Loon	<i>Gavia immer</i>	LS, TNWR, MSP
Cormorants	Phalacrocoracidae	
Double-crested Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax auritus</i>	SZB, WW, HS, TNWR, PP, MSP
Pelicans	Pelecanidae	
American White Pelican	<i>Pelecanus erythrorhynchos</i>	WW, HS, TNWR, FP, PP, MSP
Hérons, Egrets and Bitterns	Ardeidae	
American Bittern	<i>Botaurus lentiginosus</i>	PP
Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>	SZB, PP, MSP
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	PP
Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>	PP
Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	PP
Black-crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	PP
Ibises and Spoonbills	Threskiornithidae	
White-faced Ibis	<i>Plegadis chihi</i>	PP
New World Vultures	Cathartidae	
Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	SZB, HR, HS, TNWR, PP, MSP
Osprey	Pandionidae	
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	HR, TNWR
Hawks, Eagles and Kites	Accipitridae	
Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	SZB, HR, TNWR
Northern Harrier	<i>Circus hudsonius</i>	SZB, HS, FP, PP, MSP
Sharp-shinned Hawk	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>	WW
Cooper's Hawk	<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>	PP
Red-shouldered Hawk	<i>Buteo lineatus</i>	MSP
Broad-winged Hawk	<i>Buteo platypterus</i>	SZB
Swainson's Hawk	<i>Buteo swainsoni</i>	PP
Red-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>	PP, MSP
Ferruginous Hawk	<i>Buteo regalis</i>	PP
Kingfishers	Alcedinidae	
Belted Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>	WW, MSP

Woodpeckers		
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		
Downy Woodpecker		
Hairy Woodpecker		
Northern Flicker		
Pileated Woodpecker		
Falcons and Caracaras		
American Kestrel		
Tyrant Flycatchers		
Olive-sided Flycatcher		
Eastern Wood-Pewee		
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher		
Alder Flycatcher		
Willow Flycatcher		
Least Flycatcher		
Eastern Phoebe		
Great Crested Flycatcher		
Western Kingbird		
Eastern Kingbird		
Vireos		
Yellow-throated Vireo		
Blue-headed Vireo		
Warbling Vireo		
Red-eyed Vireo		
Crows, Jays and Magpies		
Blue Jay		
Black-billed Magpie		
American Crow		
Common Raven		
Larks		
Horned Lark		
Swallows		
Purple Martin		
Tree Swallow		
Northern Rough-winged Swallow		
Bank Swallow		
Cliff Swallow		
Barn Swallow		
Chickadees and Tits		
Black-capped Chickadee		
Nuthatches		
Red-breasted Nuthatch		
White-breasted Nuthatch		
Wrens		
House Wren		
Sedge Wren		
Marsh Wren		
Kinglets		
Golden-crowned Kinglet		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		
Thrushes and Allies		
Eastern Bluebird		
Picidae		
<i>Sphyrapicus varius</i>		TNWR
<i>Picoides pubescens</i>		SZB, MSP
<i>Picoides villosus</i>		HR
<i>Colaptes auratus</i>		SZB, HR, TNWR, MSP
<i>Dryocopus pileatus</i>		SZB, WW, MSP
Falconidae		
<i>Falco sparverius</i>		SZB, PP, MSP
Tyrannidae		
<i>Contopus cooperi</i>		SZB
<i>Contopus virens</i>		HR, TNWR, MSP
<i>Empidonax flaviventris</i>		SZB
<i>Empidonax alnorum</i>		SZB, TNWR
<i>Empidonax traillii</i>		PP
<i>Empidonax minimus</i>		SZB, TNWR, MSP
<i>Sayornis phoebe</i>		SZB, TNWR, MSP
<i>Myiarchus crinitus</i>		HS, MSP
<i>Tyrannus verticalis</i>		PP
<i>Tyrannus tyrannus</i>		Seen every day
Vireonidae		
<i>Vireo flavifrons</i>		HS, MSP
<i>Vireo solitarius</i>		SNF, MSP
<i>Vireo gilvus</i>		FP, PP
<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>		SZB, WW, TNWR
Corvidae		
<i>Cyanocitta cristata</i>		SZB, WW, HS, TNWR, MSP
<i>Pica hudsonia</i>		SZB
<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>		Seen in every habitat visited
<i>Corvus corax</i>		SZB, SNF
Alaudidae		
<i>Eremophila alpestris</i>		TNWR, FP, PP, MSP
Hirundinidae		
<i>Progne subis</i>		HS
<i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>		Seen every day
<i>Stelgidopteryx serripennis</i>		SZB, MSP
<i>Riparia riparia</i>		PP
<i>Petrochelidon pyrrhonota</i>		WW, HS, TNWR, PP, MSP
<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		SZB, HS, FP, PP, MSP
Paridae		
<i>Poecile atricapillus</i>		SZB, WW, TNWR, MSP
Sittidae		
<i>Sitta canadensis</i>		SZB
<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>		TNWR
Troglodytidae		
<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>		FP, PP, MSP
<i>Cistothorus platensis</i>		SZB, HS, TNWR, FP, PP
<i>Cistothorus palustris</i>		PP, MSP
Regulidae		
<i>Regulus satrapa</i>		SZB, SNF
<i>Regulus calendula</i>		SZB, SNF
Turdidae		
<i>Sialia sialis</i>		SZB, WW, HS, TNWR, FP, PP, MSP

Veery	<i>Catharus fuscescens</i>	SZB, HR, TNWR, MSP
Hermit Thrush	<i>Catharus guttatus</i>	SNF
American Robin	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>	Seen every day
Mockingbirds and Thrashers	Mimidae	
Gray Catbird	<i>Dumetella carolinensis</i>	HS, MSP
Brown Thrasher	<i>Toxostoma rufum</i>	HS, PP, MSP
Starlings	Sturnidae	
European Starling (I)	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Seen every day
Waxwings	Bombycillidae	
Cedar Waxwing	<i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i>	HR, TNWR, PP, MSP
Old World Sparrows	Passeridae	
House Sparrow (I)	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Seen in all towns
Wagtails and Pipits	Motacillidae	
Sprague's Pipit	<i>Anthus spragueii</i>	PP
Siskins, Crossbills and Allies	Fringillidae	
House Finch	<i>Haemorhous mexicanus</i>	HS, PP
Purple Finch	<i>Haemorhous purpureus</i>	SZB, SNF, TNWR
Pine Siskin	<i>Spinus pinus</i>	WW
American Goldfinch	<i>Spinus tristis</i>	SZB, WW, HS, TNWR, FP, PP, MSP
Longspurs and Snow Buntings	Calcariidae	
Chestnut-collared Longspur	<i>Calcarius ornatus</i>	PP
New World Sparrows	Passerellidae	
Chipping Sparrow	<i>Spizella passerina</i>	HR, SZB, HS, TNWR, PP, MSP
Clay-colored Sparrow	<i>Spizella pallida</i>	HR, SZB, HS, TNWR, MSP
Field Sparrow	<i>Spizella pusilla</i>	MSP
Vesper Sparrow	<i>Pooecetes gramineus</i>	PP
Lark Sparrow	<i>Chondestes grammacus</i>	PP
Savannah Sparrow	<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>	SZB, WW, HS, TNWR, FP, PP, MSP
Grasshopper Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus savannarum</i>	HS, FP, PP
Baird's Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus bairdii</i>	PP
LeConte's Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus leconteii</i>	SZB, MM
Song Sparrow	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	Seen every day
Lincoln's Sparrow	<i>Melospiza lincolnii</i>	SZB
Swamp Sparrow	<i>Melospiza georgiana</i>	SZB, WW, HS, PP, MSP
White-throated Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>	SZB, SNF
Troupials and Allies	Icteridae	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	<i>Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus</i>	HS, FP, PP
Bobolink	<i>Dolichonyx oryzivorus</i>	HS, FP, PP
Western Meadowlark	<i>Sturnella neglecta</i>	FP, PP
Orchard Oriole	<i>Icterus spurius</i>	FP, PP
Baltimore Oriole	<i>Icterus galbula</i>	WW, MSP
Red-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>	Seen every day
Brown-headed Cowbird	<i>Molothrus ater</i>	SZB, HS, TNWR, FP, PP, MSP
Brewer's Blackbird	<i>Euphagus cyanocephalus</i>	PPHS, FP
Common Grackle	<i>Quiscalus quiscula</i>	Seen every day
New World Warblers	Parulidae	
Ovenbird	<i>Seiurus aurocapilla</i>	SNF, SZB, MSP
Northern Waterthrush	<i>Parkesia noveboracensis</i>	SNF
Golden-winged Warbler	<i>Vermivora chrysoptera</i>	TNWR, MSP
Black-and-white Warbler	<i>Mniotilta varia</i>	SNF, SZB, HR, MSP
Tennessee Warbler	<i>Oreothlypis peregrina</i>	SNF
Nashville Warbler	<i>Oreothlypis ruficapilla</i>	SNF, SZB, MSP

Connecticut Warbler	<i>Oporornis agilis</i>	SZB
Mourning Warbler	<i>Geothlypis philadelphia</i>	SNF, SZB, HR
Common Yellowthroat	<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>	SNF, SZB, HR, HS, TNWR, PP, MSP
American Redstart	<i>Setophaga ruticilla</i>	SNF, HR, HS, TNWR
Cape May Warbler	<i>Setophaga tigrina</i>	SNF
Northern Parula	<i>Setophaga americana</i>	SNF
Magnolia Warbler	<i>Setophaga magnolia</i>	SNF, SZB
Blackburnian Warbler	<i>Setophaga fusca</i>	SNF
Yellow Warbler	<i>Setophaga petechia</i>	SNF, SZB, HR, HS, TNWR, FP, PP, MSP
Chestnut-sided Warbler	<i>Setophaga pensylvanica</i>	SNF, SZB, HR, TNWR
Pine Warbler	<i>Setophaga pinus</i>	SNF, SZB, TNWR
Yellow-rumped Warbler	<i>Setophaga coronata</i>	SNF, SZB
Black-throated Green Warbler	<i>Setophaga virens</i>	SNF
Canada Warbler	<i>Cardellina canadensis</i>	SZB
Cardinals and Allies	Cardinalidae	
Northern Cardinal	<i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i>	WW
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>	SZB, WW
Dickcissel	<i>Spiza americana</i>	PP

MAMMALS
Squirrels, Prairie Dogs & Marmots

Eastern Gray Squirrel	<i>Sciurus carolinensis</i>	SZB, SNF, WW, FP
Eastern Fox Squirrel	<i>Sciurus niger</i>	HS
Red Squirrel	<i>Tamiasciurus hudsonicus</i>	SZB
Eastern Chipmunk	<i>Tamias striatus</i>	SZB
Richardson's Ground-Squirrel	<i>Spermophilus richardsonii</i>	PP
Thirteen-lined Ground-Squirrel	<i>Spermophilus tridecemlineatus</i>	HS, PP, MSP

Beavers

American Beaver

Rats & Mice

Common Muskrat

Porcupines

North American Porcupine

Rabbits & Hares

White-tailed Jackrabbit

Raccoons

Northern Raccoon

Deer

White-tailed Deer

Sciuridae

<i>Sciurus carolinensis</i>	SZB, SNF, WW, FP
<i>Sciurus niger</i>	HS
<i>Tamiasciurus hudsonicus</i>	SZB
<i>Tamias striatus</i>	SZB
<i>Spermophilus richardsonii</i>	PP
<i>Spermophilus tridecemlineatus</i>	HS, PP, MSP

Castoridae

<i>Castor canadensis</i>	SZB
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Muridae

<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i>	HS, MSP
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Erethizonitidae

<i>Erethizon dorsatum</i>	SZB
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Leporidae

<i>Lepus townsendii</i>	FP
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Procyonidae

<i>Procyon lotor</i>	TNWR
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Cervidae

<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>	Seen most days
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AMPHIBIANS & REPTILES

Toads & Frogs

Northern Spring Peeper

Turtles

Painted Turtle

Anurans

<i>Hyla crucifer</i>	SZB
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Testudines

<i>Chrysemys picta</i>	TNWR, PP, MSP
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INSECTS

Butterflies

Tiger Swallowtail	<i>Papilio glaucus</i>	SZB, TNWR
Monarch	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>	TNWR
Checkered White	<i>Pontia protodice</i>	FP
Dragonflies		
Chalk-fronted Corporal	<i>Ladona julia</i>	HS
Common Green Darner	<i>Anax junius</i>	HS