

Species	Most Likely Season(s) Of Occurrence			
	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter

Songbirds (cont.)

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	X	X		
Great Crested Flycatcher	X	X		
Ash-throated Flycatcher	X	X		
Western Kingbird	X	X		
Eastern Kingbird	X	X		
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	X	X		X
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
Red-eyed Vireo	X	X		
Yellow-rumped Warbler	X		X	
Black-and-white Warbler	X	X		
Yellow Warbler	X	X		
Louisiana Waterthrush	X	X		
Barn Swallow	X	X		
Common Nighthawk	X	X	X	
Chimney Swift	X	X	X	
Chuck-will's-widow	X	X		
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	X	X		

Upland Birds and Game Birds

Mourning Dove	X	X	X	X
Bobwhite Quail	X	X	X	X
Wild Turkey	X	X	X	X
Greater Roadrunner	X	X	X	X



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Crow

American Crow	X	X	X	
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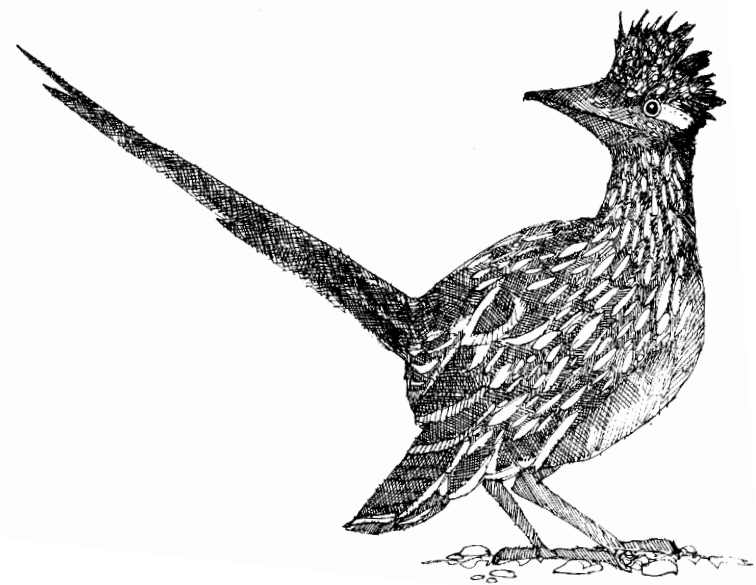
Raptors

Eastern Screech Owl	X	X	X	X
Great Horned Owl	X	X	X	X
Barred Owl	X	X	X	X
Barn Owl	X	X	X	X
Red-tailed Hawk	X	X	X	X
American Kestrel	X	X	X	X
Northern Harrier	X	X	X	
Mississippi Kite	X	X	X	X
Sharp-shinned Hawk			X	
Turkey Vulture	X	X	X	

Wading Birds (Boiling Springs)

Great Blue Heron	X	X	X	
Green Heron	X	X	X	

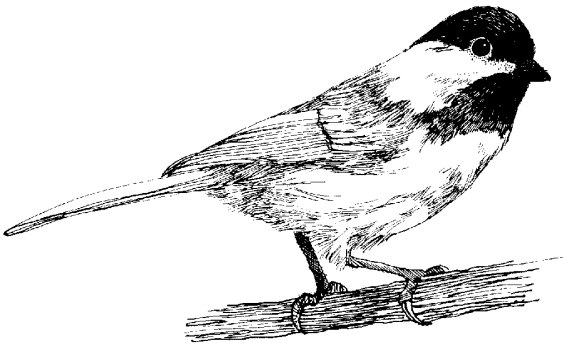
Birds of Alabaster & Boiling Springs State Park



Welcome to Alabaster Caverns and Boiling Springs State Parks

This region of Oklahoma is a great place to observe birds. While prairie grasses blanket much of the landscape, groves of trees fill deep canyons and outline the borders of the Cimarron and North Canadian Rivers. Spring-fed creeks create dense riparian forests that support eastern bird species, such a warblers. Gypsum bluffs provide ledges for perching and nesting for such species as American kestrels and turkey vultures. Spreading forests of redcedar trees likewise cover much of the land. These diverse habitats provide food, shelter and nesting sites for many kinds of birds.

This guide identifies some of the birds that you may observe while visiting Alabaster Caverns and Boiling Springs State Parks. Many birds can be seen in park campgrounds and picnic areas. Foot trails offer another good way to discover the wildlife and native plant communities of these parks.



Things That You Need For Birdwatching

- 1) A field guide to birds.
- 2) A pair of binoculars.
- 3) Patience. Stop, look and listen for birds as you walk.

Things That State Parks Do Not Need

- 1) Litter. Please help to keep these parks free of litter.
- 2) Unhappy wildlife. Please don't chase, catch or harm wildlife. Keep pets on a leash. Don't remove wildflowers and other plants; leave them for others to enjoy.

Additional Opportunities for Bird Watching

The Great Plains Trail Guide contains information about many other wildlife viewing areas that are located within fairly close proximity to Alabaster Caverns and Boiling Springs State Parks. Northwest Oklahoma is an excellent place to view birds and other wildlife species.

We hope that you enjoy your visit to Alabaster Caverns and Boiling Springs State Parks.

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Songbirds				
Northern Cardinal	X	X	X	X
Blue Jay	X	X	X	X
Northern Mockingbird	X	X	X	X
Carolina Chickadee	X	X	X	X
Tufted Titmouse	X	X	X	X
American Robin	X	X	X	X
Downy Woodpecker	X	X	X	X
Northern Flicker	X	X	X	X
Red-bellied Woodpecker	X	X	X	X
Red-headed Woodpecker	X	X	X	X
Eastern Meadowlark	X	X	X	X
European Starling	X	X	X	X
Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X	X	X
Common Grackle	X	X	X	X
House Sparrow	X	X	X	X
Carolina Wren	X	X	X	
Bewick's Wren	X	X	X	X
American Goldfinch	X			X
Cedar Waxwing	X		X	X
Dark-eyed Junco	X		X	X
Harris's Sparrow	X		X	X
White-crowned Sparrow	X		X	
White-throated Sparrow	X		X	X
Lark Sparrow	X	X		
Field Sparrow	X	X	X	X
American Tree Sparrow	X		X	
Grasshopper Sparrow	X	X	X	
Dickcissel	X	X	X	
Painted Bunting	X	X		
Indigo Bunting	X	X		
Eastern Bluebird	X	X	X	X
Mountain Bluebird	X		X	X
Blue Grosbeak	X	X		