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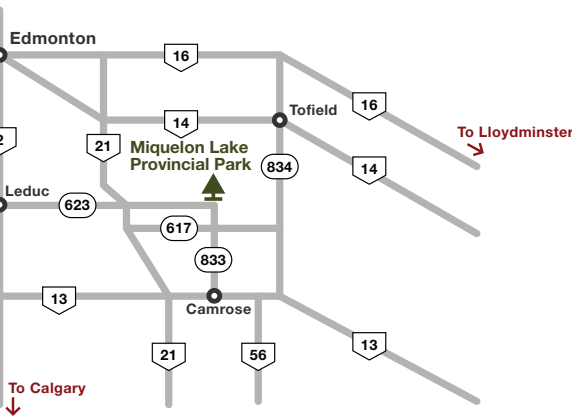
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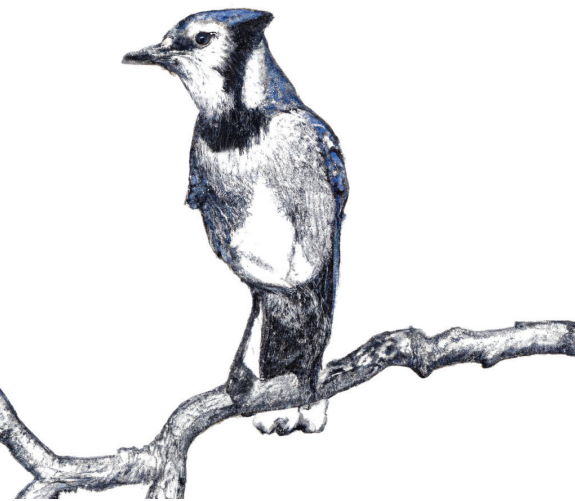
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American White Pelican
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Nearly 200 species of birds visit or nest at Miquelon Lake Provincial Park. Miquelon Lake is an important stopover for migratory waterfowl and shorebirds in central North America.

The Park Environment

Many different environments are found in the park. Distinctive groups of birds are attracted to each of the four environments. The poplar forests attract many perching birds, including the northern oriole, yellow warbler and eastern phoebe. The savannah sparrow nests in the grassland habitat while the red-tailed hawk is often seen soaring over these areas searching for food. Marshes and ponds are common throughout the park. These wetlands are home to ducks, grebes, and the red-winged blackbird. The islands of Miquelon lake are also important areas for nesting, feeding and resting. A colony of pelicans, as well as ring-billed and California gulls nest on the islands.



Blue Jay

Bird Protection

Miquelon Lake and its islands were designated as a bird sanctuary in the early 1920's. Today this protection continues as we are still a wildlife sanctuary today.

You can help protect the bird populations at Miquelon Lake Provincial Park by:

1. Not feeding the birds
2. Keeping your distance from birds and their nests
3. Making sure you don't canoe or kayak near the islands during breeding season (May-August)



Canada Goose

New Records

A pair of binoculars, a sharp ear, and this checklist are all you will need to begin exploring the avian marvels of Miquelon Lake Provincial Park!



Checklist Accuracy

Help us make this checklist accurate as possible. If you have concerns about information in this brochure or would like to report a sighting, contact Miquelon Lake Provincial Park.

Birding

Miquelon Lake Provincial Park



Checklist

Legend

Bold text denotes birds that breed in the area.

Residence Status
S Summer occurrence
W Winter occurrence
P Permanent resident
M Migration passing

Abundance in the Area
C Common
U Uncommon
R Rare

Finches

	Pine Grosbeak	M	C
	Purple Finch	S	U
	Common Redpoll	W	U
	Hoary Redpoll	W	R
	Pine Siskin	P	U
	American Goldfinch	S	U

Sparrows & Allies

	House Sparrow	P	R
	Western Tanager	M	R
	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	M	U
	American Tree Sparrow	M	U
	Chipping Sparrow	S	C
	Clay-colored Sparrow	S	C
	Vesper Sparrow	S	R
	Savannah Sparrow	S	C
	LeConte's Sparrow	S	U
	Sharp-tailed Sparrow	S	R
	Song Sparrow	S	C
	Lincoln's Sparrow	S	C
	Swamp Sparrow	S	R
	White-throated Sparrow	S	C

	White-crowned Sparrow	M	U
	Dark-eyed Junco	M	C
	Lapland Longspur	M	U
	Snow Bunting	W	R
	Western Meadowlark	S	R

Loons

	Common Loon	M	R
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Grebes

	Pied-billed Grebe	S	U
	Horned Grebe	S	U
	Red-Necked Grebe	S	U
	Eared Grebe	S	U
	Western Grebe	S	R

Pelicans & Comorants

	American White Pelican	S	C
	Double-crested Cormorant	S	R

Hérons

	American Bittern	S	R
	Great Blue Heron	S	R
	Black-crowned Night Heron	S	R

Waterfowl

	Tundra Swan	M	R
	Greater White-fronted Goose	M	C
	Snow Goose	M	C
	Ross’ Goose	M	R
	Canada Goose	S	C
	Green-winged Teal	S	U
	Mallard	S	C
	Northern Pintail	S	U
	Blue-winged Teal	S	C
	Cinnamon Teal	S	R
	Northern Shoveler	S	C

	Gadwall	S	C
	American Wigeon	S	C
	Canvasback	S	U
	Redhead	S	U
	Ring-necked Duck	S	U
	Lesser Scaup	S	C
	Surf Scoter	M	R
	White-winged Scoter	S	R
	Common Goldeneye	S	U
	Barrow’s Goldeneye	M	R
	Bufflehead	S	U
	Common Merganser	S	R
	Hooded Merganser	M	R
	Red-breasted Merganser	M	R
	Ruddy Duck	S	C

Hawks & Falcons

	Osprey	M	R
	Bald Eagle	M	U
	Northern Harrier	S	U
	Sharp-shinned Hawk	S	U
	Cooper's Hawk	S	U
	Northern Goshawk	P	U
	Broad-winged Hawk	S	U
	Swainson’s Hawk	S	C
	Red-tailed Hawk	S	C
	Rough-legged Hawk	M	R
	Golden Eagle	M	R
	American Kestrel	S	R
	Merlin	S	U
	Peregrine Falcon	M	R

Pitpits

	American Pipit	M	U
	Sprague’s Pipit	S	R

Waxwings

	Bohemian Waxwing	W	R
	Cedar Waxwing	S	C

Shrikes

	Northern Shrike	W	R
	Loggerhead Shrike	S	R

Starlings

	European Starling	P	U
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Vireos

	Blue-headed Vireo	M	U
	Warbling Vireo	S	C
	Philadelphia Vireo	S	R
	Red-eyed Vireo	S	C

Warblers

	Tennessee Warbler	S	C
	Orange-crowned Warbler	M	U
	Yellow Warbler	S	C
	Blackpoll Warbler	S	R
	Palm Warbler	S	R
	Yellow-rumped Warbler	S	C
	Black-and-white Warbler	M	U
	Canada Warbler	S	U
	American Redstart	S	U
	Cape May Warbler	S	R
	Magnolia Warbler	S	R
	Ovenbird	S	U
	Northern Waterthrush	M	R
	Mourning Warbler	S	R
	Common Yellowthroat	S	U
	Wilson’s Warbler	M	R

Corvids

	Blue Jay	P	U
	Black-billed Magpie	P	U
	American Crow	S	C
	Common Raven	P	C

Chickadees

	Black-capped Chickadee	P	C
	Boreal Chickadee	W	U

Nuthatches

	Red-breasted Nuthatch	P	U
	White-breasted Nuthatch	P	C

Creepers

	Brown Creeper	P	R
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Wrens

	House Wren	S	C
	Sedge Wren	S	R
	Marsh Wren	S	U

Kinglets & Thrushes

	Golden-crowned Kinglet	W	R
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	M	U
	Mountain Bluebird	S	R
	Veery	S	R
	Swainson's Thrush	S	U
	Hermit Thrush	S	U
	American Robin	S	C

Catbirds

	Gray Catbird	S	U
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Partridges & Grouses

	Gray Partridge	P	R
	Ruffed Grouse	P	C
	Sharp-tailed Grouse	P	R

Pigeons & Doves

	Rock Pigeon	P	R
	Mourning Dove	S	R

Shorebirds & Gulls

	Black-bellied Plover	M	U
	American Golden Plover	M	R
	Semi-palmated Plover	M	R
	Piping Plover	S	R
	Killdeer	S	C
	American Avocet	S	C
	Greater Yellowlegs	S	U
	Lesser Yellowlegs	S	U
	Solitary Sandpiper	M	R
	Willet	S	R
	Spotted Sandpiper	S	C
	Marbled Godwit	S	U
	Ruddy Turnstone	M	R
	Red Knot	M	R
	Sanderling	M	U
	Semi-palmated Sandpiper	M	U
	Western Sandpiper	M	R
	Least Sandpiper	M	U
	White-rumped Sandpiper	M	R
	Baird’s Sandpiper	M	U
	Pectoral Sandpiper	M	U
	Dunlin	M	R
	Stilt Sandpiper	M	R
	Buffed-breated Sandpiper	M	R
	Short-billed Dowitcher	M	U
	Long-billed Dowitcher	M	U
	Common Snipe	S	U
	Wilson’s Snipe	S	U
	Wilson's Phalarope	S	U
	Red-necked Phalarope	M	U
	Franklin's Gull	S	C
	Bonaparte’s Gull	M	U
	Ring-billed Gull	S	C
	California Gull	S	C
	Herring Gull	M	U

	Common Tern	M	U
	Forster's Tern	M	R
	Black Tern	S	U
	Black-necked Stilt	M	R

Owls

	Great Horned Owl	P	C
	Snowy Owl	W	R
	Great Gray Owl	M	U
	Long-eared Owl	S	R
	Short-eared Owl	S	R
	Northern Hawk Owl	P	R
	Northern Saw-whet Owl	S	U

Larks

	Horned Lark	M	R
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Goatsuckers

	Common Nighthawk	S	U
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Hummingbirds

	Ruby-throat Hummingbird	S	R
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Woodpeckers

	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	S	C
	Downy Woodpecker	P	C
	Hairy Woodpercker	P	U
	Northern Flicker	M	U
	Pileated Woodpecker	P	U

Rails & Cranes

	Sora	S	U
	American Coot	S	C
	Sandhill Crane	M	C

Flycatchers

	Olive-sided Flycatcher	M	R
	Western Wood-Pewee	S	U
	Alder Flycatcher	S	U
	Least Flycatcher	S	C
	Eastern Phoebe	S	C
	Say’s Phoebe	M	R
	Great Crested Flycatcher	S	R
	Eastern Kingbird	S	U

Swallows

	Purple Martin	S	U
	Tree Swallow	S	C
	Northern Rough-winged Swallow	S	R
	Bank Swallow	S	U
	Cliff Swallow	S	U
	Barn Swallow	S	C

Blackbirds

	Bobolink	S	R
	Red-winged Blackbird	S	C
	Yellow-headed Blackbird	S	U
	Rusty Blackbird	M	U
	Brewer's Blackbird	S	U
	Common Grackle	S	C
	Brown-headed Cowbird	S	C
	Northern Baltimore Oriole	S	U



Black-capped Chickadee