

# Buttercup Farm Audubon Sanctuary Bird Check List

These birds have been seen at Buttercup Farm  
or near the boundaries.

Some rare birds have been left off this list.

A star (☆) indicates nesting has occurred.

Trip #1			
Trip #2			
Trip #3			

<i>Loons &amp; Grebes</i>			
PIED-BILLED GREBE			
<i>Bitterns &amp; Herons</i>			
	1	2	3
AMERICAN BITTERN			
GREAT BLUE HERON	☆		
GREAT EGRET			
GREEN HERON	☆		
<i>Vultures</i>			
TURKEY VULTURE	☆		
BLACK VULTURE			
<i>Swans, Geese &amp; Ducks</i>			
SNOW GOOSE			
CANADA GOOSE	☆		
MUTE SWAN			
WOOD DUCK	☆		
GREEN-WINGED TEAL			
GADWALL			
AMERICAN WIGEON			
AMERICAN BLACK DUCK	☆		
MALLARD	☆		
BLUE-WINGED TEAL			
NORTHERN PINTAIL			
RING-NECKED DUCK			
HOODED MERGANSER			
COMMON MERGANSER			
<i>Kites, Eagles &amp; Hawks</i>			
OSPREY			
BALD EAGLE			
NORTHERN HARRIER			

SHARP-SHINNED HAWK	☆		
COOPER'S HAWK	☆		
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK	☆		
BROAD-WINGED HAWK	☆		
RED-TAILED HAWK	☆		
ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK			
GOLDEN EAGLE			
<i>Falcons</i>			
AMERICAN KESTREL	☆		
MERLIN			
PEREGRINE FALCON			
<i>Partridges, Grouse &amp; Turkeys</i>			
RUFFED GROUSE	☆		
WILD TURKEY	☆		
<i>Sandpipers &amp; Allies</i>			
KILLDEER	☆		
SOLITARY SANDPIPER			
SPOTTED SANDPIPER			
COMMON SNIPE			
AMERICAN WOODCOCK	☆		
<i>Gulls &amp; Terns</i>			
RING-BILLED GULL			
HERRING GULL			
GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL			
<i>Pigeons &amp; Doves</i>			
ROCK DOVE			
MOURNING DOVE	☆		
<i>Cuckoos</i>			
BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO	☆		
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO	☆		
<i>Typical Owls</i>			
EASTERN SCREECH OWL	☆		
GREAT HORNED OWL	☆		
BARRED OWL	☆		
<i>Goatsuckers</i>			
WHIP-POOR-WILL			
<i>Swifts</i>			
CHIMNEY SWIFT			
<i>Hummingbirds</i>			
RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD	☆		
<i>Kingfishers</i>			
BELTED KINGFISHER	☆		
<i>Woodpeckers &amp; Allies</i>			
YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER			

RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER	☆		
DOWNY WOODPECKER	☆		
HAIRY WOODPECKER	☆		
NORTHERN FLICKER	☆		
PILEATED WOODPECKER	☆		
<i>Flycatchers</i>			
EASTERN WOOD PEWEE	☆		
WILLOW FLYCATCHER	☆		
LEAST FLYCATCHER	☆		
EASTERN PHOEBE	☆		
GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER	☆		
EASTERN KINGBIRD	☆		
<i>Vireos</i>			
WHITE-EYED VIREO			
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO	☆		
BLUE-HEADED VIREO	☆		
WARBLING VIREO	☆		
PHILADELPHIA VIREO			
RED-EYED VIREO	☆		
<i>Swallows</i>			
PURPLE MARTIN			
TREE SWALLOW	☆		
NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW			
BANK SWALLOW			
CLIFF SWALLOW			
BARN SWALLOW	☆		
<i>Jays &amp; Crows</i>			
BLUE JAY	☆		
AMERICAN CROW	☆		
COMMON RAVEN			
<i>Chickadees &amp; Titmice</i>			
BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE	☆		
TUFTED TITMOUSE	☆		
<i>Nuthatches</i>			
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH	☆		
WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH	☆		
<i>Creepers</i>			
BROWN CREEPER	☆		
<i>Wrens</i>			
CAROLINA WREN	☆		
HOUSE WREN	☆		
WINTER WREN			
<i>Kinglets &amp; Gnatcatchers</i>			
GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET			

RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET			
BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER	☆		
<b>Thrushes</b>			
EASTERN BLUEBIRD	☆		
VEERY	☆		
SWAINSON'S THRUSH			
HERMIT THRUSH			
WOOD THRUSH	☆		
AMERICAN ROBIN	☆		
<b>Mimic Thrushes</b>			
GRAY CATBIRD	☆		
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD	☆		
BROWN THRASHER	☆		
<b>Starlings</b>			
EUROPEAN STARLING	☆		
<b>Waxwings</b>			
CEDAR WAXWING	☆		
<b>Wood Warblers</b>			
BLUE-WINGED WARBLER	☆		
NASHVILLE WARBLER			
NORTHERN PARULA			
YELLOW WARBLER	☆		
CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER	☆		
MAGNOLIA WARBLER			
BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER	☆		
YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER			
BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER	☆		
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER			
PINE WARBLER			
PRAIRIE WARBLER	☆		
PALM WARBLER			
BAY-BREASTED WARBLER			
BLACKPOLL WARBLER			
BLACK & WHITE WARBLER	☆		
AMERICAN REDSTART	☆		
OVENBIRD	☆		
NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH			
COMMON YELLOWTHROAT	☆		
WILSON'S WARBLER			
<b>Tanagers</b>			
SCARLET Tanager	☆		
<b>Sparrows &amp; Allies</b>			
EASTERN TOWHEE	☆		
AMERICAN TREE SPARROW			

CHIPPING SPARROW	☆		
FIELD SPARROW	☆		
SAVANNAH SPARROW			
FOX SPARROW			
SONG SPARROW	☆		
SWAMP SPARROW	☆		
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW			
WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW			
DARK-EYED JUNCO			

<b>Cardinals, Grosbeaks &amp; Allies</b>			
NORTHERN CARDINAL	☆		
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK	☆		
INDIGO BUNTING	☆		
<b>Blackbirds &amp; Allies</b>			
BOBOLINK	☆		
RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD	☆		
EASTERN MEADOWLARK	☆		
RUSTY BLACKBIRD			
COMMON GRACKLE	☆		
BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD	☆		
ORCHARD ORIOLE			
BALTIMORE ORIOLE	☆		
<b>Finches</b>			
PURPLE FINCH			
HOUSE FINCH	☆		
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH	☆		
<b>Old World Sparrows</b>			
HOUSE SPARROW			

<b>NEW FOR LIST</b>			

**Buttercup Farm Audubon Sanctuary** is 641 acres comprised of old farm fields, shrub-scrub habitat, and wetlands along the Wappinger Creek. Bisected by Route 82, the sanctuary offers the visitor varied birding opportunities.

Easily accessible old railroad beds on the sanctuary's west side follow the Wappinger Creek where long-legged waders as well as rails, ducks, and peeps can be seen. A scenic overlook on the east side gives visitors a commanding view of Stissing Mountain and the valley below. Continue on the trail through an old orchard, keeping watch for Baltimore Orioles and Brown Thrashers, as you loop back to the parking area.

Over a dozen warbler species have been seen here, especially during spring migration. These include Golden-winged, Bay-breasted and Blackpoll Warblers. Look for vireos throughout the sanctuary, especially Yellow-throated Vireo that can be seen up close along the creek. White-eyed Vireos have been tallied here as well. Look for field birds, such as Bobolink, Eastern Meadowlarks, and Field, Savannah, and Song sparrows.

Raptors that call Buttercup home include American Kestrel and Broad-winged, Red-tailed, Red-shouldered, Sharp-shinned, and Coopers Hawks. Also seen are the occasional Bald Eagles all year and, in the winter, Golden Eagles. Listen for Barred and Eastern Screech-Owls throughout the sanctuary. An extensive bluebird trail is maintained at the sanctuary.



For more information and directions go to <http://ny.audubon.org/rheinstrom-hill>