



Purple Martin

VIRES: Vireonidae

___ White-eyed Vireo	C	C	C	C
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WARBLERS: Emberizidae

___ Pine Warbler	C	C	C	C
___ Prairie Warbler	U		U	U
___ Palm Warbler	C		C	C
___ Northern Waterthrush	U		U	U
___ Common Yellowthroat	C	U	C	C
___ Northern Cardinal	C	C	C	C
___ Grasshopper Sparrow	U		U	U
___ Bachman's Sparrow	R		R	R
___ Song Sparrow	R		R	R
___ Eastern Meadowlark	C	C	C	C
___ Red-winged Blackbird	C	C	C	C
___ Brewer's Blackbird	U		U	U
___ Boat-tailed Grackle	C	C	C	C
___ Common Grackle	C	C	C	C
___ American Goldfinch	C		C	C

Birding Area:

Date: _____

Weather: _____

Observers: _____

Notes: _____

Okaloacoochee Slough State Forest

CHECKLIST OF BIRDS

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CROWS & JAYS: Corvidae

___ Blue Jay	C	C	C	C
___ American Crow	R	R	R	R

WRENS: Troglodytidae

___ House Wren	C		C	C
___ Carolina Wren	C	C	C	C

THRUSHES: Muscicapidae

___ American Robin	C		C	C
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MIMIC THRUSHES: Mimidae

___ Northern Mockingbird	C	C	C	C
___ Gray Catbird	C		C	C
___ Brown Thrasher	U	U	U	U

SHRIKES: Laniidae

___ Loggerhead Shrike	C	C	C	C
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STARLINGS: Sturnidae

___ European Starling	R	R	R	R
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American Goldfinch (male)



Snowy Egret



Crested Caracara

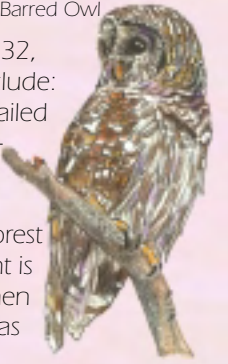


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Welcome to Okaloacoochee Slough State Forest which is located in western Hendry and northeastern Collier counties. Though most of the forest provides excellent opportunities to observe a variety of birds, there are particular areas that attract specific species. The Okaloacoochee Slough includes a 13,382 acre swale that carries water through the forest to the north and south, and provides a haven for wading birds. The canal at the end of Oil Well Pad Road, and larger depressional marshes located on Patterson and Wildcow Roads, present excellent opportunities to see a number of birds including ibis, egrets and herons.

Barred Owl



As you travel along County Road 832, raptors can be observed which include: crested caracara, kestrel, swallow-tailed kite, red-shouldered hawk and red-tailed hawk. Also, two large roosts can be observed along CR 832, approximately 1 mile west of the forest headquarters. This spectacular sight is best viewed at dawn and dusk when waterfowl and wading birds such as great blue heron, little blue heron, white ibis, glossy ibis, great egret and an occasional wood stork are taking flight or roosting.

SEASONS

These categories indicate the general periods in which to expect the various species.

Spring	(Sp)	March,	April,	May
Summer	(Su)	June,	July,	August
Fall	(F)	September,	October,	November
Winter	(W)	December,	January,	February

CATEGORIES OF ABUNDANCE

These designations apply to the relative abundance of species seen (or heard) in the appropriate habitat.

- C - common: usually present in large numbers
- likely to be seen
- U - uncommon: usually present in small numbers, not certain to be seen or heard
- R - rare: not to be expected
- † - indicates nesting status confirmed on the forest

	SP	S	F	W
GREBES: Podicipedidae				
___ Pied-billed Grebe	C	U	C	C
PELICANS: Pelecanidae				
___ American White Pelican			R	
DARTERS: Anhingidae				
___ Anhinga	C	C	C	C
BITTERNS & HERONS: Ardeidae				
___ Great Blue Heron	C	C	C	C
___ Little Blue Heron	C	C	C	C
___ Cattle Egret	C	C	C	C
___ Great Egret	C	C	C	C
___ Snowy Egret	U	U	U	U
___ Tricolored Heron	C	C	C	C
___ Black-crowned Night-heron	C	C	C	C
___ American Bittern	U		U	U
STORKS: Ciconidae				
___ Wood Stork	C	U	U	C
IBISES: Threskiornithidae				
___ Glossy Ibis	U	R	U	U
___ White Ibis	C	U	C	C
___ Roseate Spoonbill	R			R
AMERICAN VULTURES: Cathartidae				
___ Turkey Vulture	C	C	C	C
___ Black Vulture	C	C	C	C
WATERFOWL: Anatidae				
___ Mottled Duck	U	U	U	U
___ Northern Pintail	U		U	U
___ Blue-winged Teal	C		C	C
___ Ring-necked Duck	R		R	R
KITES, HAWKS, EAGLES: Acciptridae				
___ Snail Kite	C	C	R	R
___ Swallow-tailed Kite	C	C	R	R
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk	C		U	C
___ Red-tailed Hawk	U	R	U	C
___ Red-shouldered Hawk	C	C	C	C
___ Bald Eagle	R	R	R	R
___ Northern Harrier	C		U	C
___ Osprey	U	U	U	U

	SP	S	F	W
CARARARAS & FALCONS: Falconidae				
___ Crested Caracara	C	C	C	C
___ Arctic Peregrine Falcon	R		R	R
___ Merlin	R		R	R
___ American Kestrel	C		C	C
TURKEYS, QUAIL: Phasianidae				
___ Northern Bobwhite	C	C	C	C
___ Wild Turkey	C	C	C	C
RAILS, GALLINULES, COOTS: Rallidae				
___ Virginia Rail	C		C	C
___ King Rail	C	C	C	C
___ Common Moorhen	C	C	C	C
___ American Coot	C	C	C	C
LIMPKINS: Aramididae				
___ Limpkin	C	C	C	C
CRANES: Gruidae				
___ Sandhill Crane	U	U	U	U
PLOVERS: Charadriidae				
___ Killdeer	C	R	U	C



Roseate Spoonbill



Snail Kite

	SP	S	F	W
STILTS: Recurvirostridae				
___ Black-necked Stilt	C	C	U	U
SANDPIPERS: Scolopacidae				
___ Common Snipe	C		C	C
DOVES: Columbidae				
___ White-winged Dove	R	R		
___ Mourning Dove	C	C	C	C
___ Common Ground Dove	U	U	U	U
BARN-OWLS: Tytonidae				
___ Barn Owl	R	R	R	R
TYPICAL OWLS: Strigidae				
___ Great Horned Owl	R	R	R	R
___ Barred Owl	C	C	C	C
NIGHTJARS: Caprimulgidae				
___ Common Nighthawk	C	C	C	
___ Chuck-wills-widow	C	C	C	
KINGFISHERS: Alcedinidae				
___ Belted Kingfisher	C		C	C
WOODPECKERS: Picidae				
___ Pileated Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
FLYCATCHERS: Tyrannidae				
___ Great Crested Flycatcher	C	C	C	C
___ Eastern Phoebe	U		U	U
SWALLOWS: Hirundinidae				
___ Purple Martin	U	U	U	U
___ Tree Swallow	C		C	C