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Assateague Island National Seashore

Birding Checklist  
Maryland District

Located along the Atlantic migratory flyway, Assateague Island plays host to a wide variety of both migratory and resident bird species. Because of its mid-latitude location within the migratory routes of both Northern and Southern species, the island provides a diversity of species throughout the year. The island's rich mosaic of beach, dune, forest and marsh habitats provides a home for a wide array of shorebirds, songbirds, raptors, waterfowl, and waders.

Whether hiking a nature trail, taking a stroll along the beach, or exploring the backcountry, Assateague can provide many memorable birding experiences.

### Ducks, Geese and Swans

- Greater Snow Goose
- Brant
- Cackling Goose
- Canada Goose
- Ross's Goose
- Mute Swan
- Tundra Swan
- Wood Duck
- Blue-winged Teal
- Northern Shoveler
- Gadwall
- Eurasian Wigeon
- American Wigeon
- Mallard
- American Black Duck
- Northern Pintail
- Green-winged Teal
- Canvasback
- Ring-necked Duck
- Redhead
- Greater Scaup
- Lesser Scaup
- Common Eider
- Harlequin Duck
- Surf Scoter
- White-winged Scoter
- Black Scoter
- Long-tailed Duck
- Bufflehead
- Common Goldeneye
- Hooded Merganser
- Common Merganser
- Red-breasted Merganser
- Ruddy Duck
- Eurasian Wigeon
- American Wigeon
- Wood Duck

### Grouse, Quail and Allies

- Northern Bobwhite
- Wild Turkey

### Loons and Grebes

- Common Loon
- Red-throated Loon
- Pied-billed Grebe
- Horned Grebe
- Red-necked Grebe

### Gulls

- Black-headed Gull
- Bonaparte's Gull
- Great Black-backed Gull
- Herring Gull
- Laughing Gull
- Lesser Black-backed Gull
- Ring-billed Gull

### Terns and Skimmers

- Black Tern
- Caspian Tern
- Common Tern
- Forster's Tern
- Gull-billed Tern
- Least Tern
- Royal Tern
- Sandwich Tern
- Black Skimmer

### Gannet, Pelicans and Cormorants

- Northern Gannet
- American White Pelican
- Brown Pelican
- Double-crested Cormorant
- Great Cormorant



### Shearwaters and Storm-Petrels

- \_\_\_ Cory's Shearwater
- \_\_\_ Sooty Shearwater
- \_\_\_ Wilson's Storm-Petrel

### Long Legged Waders

- \_\_\_ American Bittern
- \_\_\_ Least Bittern
- \_\_\_ Long-billed Dowitcher
- \_\_\_ Short-billed Dowitcher
- \_\_\_ Cattle Egret
- \_\_\_ Great Egret
- \_\_\_ Snowy Egret
- \_\_\_ Great Blue Heron
- \_\_\_ Little Blue Heron
- \_\_\_ Tricolored Heron
- \_\_\_ Green Heron
- \_\_\_ Black-crowned Night-Heron
- \_\_\_ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron
- \_\_\_ Glossy Ibis
- \_\_\_ White Ibis
- \_\_\_ White-faced Ibis
- \_\_\_ American Oystercatcher
- \_\_\_ American Avocet
- \_\_\_ Black-necked Stilt
- \_\_\_ Greater Yellowlegs
- \_\_\_ Lesser Yellowlegs
- \_\_\_ Whimbrel
- \_\_\_ Willet
- \_\_\_ Ruff
- \_\_\_ Wilson's Phalarope
- \_\_\_ Red-necked Phalarope

### Rails

- \_\_\_ Clapper Rail
- \_\_\_ King Rail
- \_\_\_ Virginia Rail
- \_\_\_ American Coot

### Sandpipers

- \_\_\_ Dunlin
- \_\_\_ Red Knot
- \_\_\_ Ruddy Turnstone
- \_\_\_ Sanderling
- \_\_\_ Baird's Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Buff-breasted Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Least Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Pectoral Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Purple Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Semipalmated Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Solitary Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Spotted Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Stilt Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Upland Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Western Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ White-rumped Sandpiper

### Snipe and Woodcock

- \_\_\_ American Woodcock
- \_\_\_ Wilson's Snipe

### Plovers

- \_\_\_ American Golden-Plover
- \_\_\_ Black-bellied Plover
- \_\_\_ Piping Plover
- \_\_\_ Wilson's Plover
- \_\_\_ Semipalmated Plover
- \_\_\_ Killdeer

### Auks

- \_\_\_ Dovekie
- \_\_\_ Razorbill

### Falcons, Hawks and Vultures

- \_\_\_ American Kestrel
- \_\_\_ Merlin
- \_\_\_ Peregrine Falcon
- \_\_\_ Osprey
- \_\_\_ Bald Eagle
- \_\_\_ Northern Harrier
- \_\_\_ Cooper's Hawk
- \_\_\_ Red-shouldered Hawk
- \_\_\_ Red-tailed Hawk
- \_\_\_ Sharp Shinned Hawk
- \_\_\_ Black Vulture
- \_\_\_ Turkey Vulture
- \_\_\_ Northern Goshawk

### Owls

- \_\_\_ Barn Owl
- \_\_\_ Barred Owl
- \_\_\_ Eastern Screech Owl
- \_\_\_ Great Horned Owl
- \_\_\_ Long-eared Owl
- \_\_\_ Northern Saw-whet Owl
- \_\_\_ Short-eared Owl
- \_\_\_ Snowy Owl

### Pigeons and Doves

- \_\_\_ Rock Pigeon
- \_\_\_ Mourning Dove
- \_\_\_ Eurasian Collared Dove
- \_\_\_ White-winged Dove

### Turkey, Quail and Goatsuckers

- \_\_\_ Northern Bobwhite
- \_\_\_ Wild Turkey
- \_\_\_ Eastern Whip-Poor-Will
- \_\_\_ Common Nighthawk
- \_\_\_ Chuck-will's-widow

### Woodpeckers

- \_\_\_ Downy Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Hairy Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Pileated Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Red-bellied Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Red-headed Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Northern Flicker
- \_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

### Blackbirds, Finches and Allies

- \_\_\_ Bobolink
- \_\_\_ Red-winged Blackbird
- \_\_\_ Rusty Blackbird
- \_\_\_ Yellow-headed Blackbird
- \_\_\_ Eastern Meadowlark
- \_\_\_ Boat-tailed Grackle
- \_\_\_ Common Grackle
- \_\_\_ Brown-headed Cowbird
- \_\_\_ Baltimore Oriole
- \_\_\_ Orchard Oriole
- \_\_\_ House Finch
- \_\_\_ Purple Finch
- \_\_\_ American Goldfinch
- \_\_\_ Pine Siskin
- \_\_\_ Common Redpoll
- \_\_\_ Red Crossbill
- \_\_\_ White-winged Crossbill

### Jays, Crows, Larks and Shrikes

- \_\_\_ Blue Jay
- \_\_\_ American Crow
- \_\_\_ Fish Crow
- \_\_\_ Horned Lark
- \_\_\_ Loggerhead Shrike
- \_\_\_ Northern Shrike

### Hummingbirds

- \_\_\_ Ruby-throated Hummingbird

### Kinglets, Thrushes and Thrashers

- \_\_\_ Golden-crowned Kinglet
- \_\_\_ Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- \_\_\_ Blue-grey Gnatcatcher
- \_\_\_ Eastern Bluebird
- \_\_\_ Veery
- \_\_\_ Gray-cheeked Thrush
- \_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush
- \_\_\_ Hermit Thrush
- \_\_\_ Wood Thrush
- \_\_\_ American Robin
- \_\_\_ Gray Catbird
- \_\_\_ Northern Mockingbird
- \_\_\_ Brown Thrasher

### Starlings, Pipits and Waxings

- \_\_\_ American Pipit
- \_\_\_ Cedar Waxwing
- \_\_\_ European Starling

### Swallows

- \_\_\_ Purple Martin
- \_\_\_ Tree Swallow
- \_\_\_ N. Rough-winged Swallow
- \_\_\_ Bank Swallow
- \_\_\_ Barn Swallow

### Kingfishers, Swifts and Cuckoos

- \_\_\_ Belted Kingfisher
- \_\_\_ Chimney Swift
- \_\_\_ Black-billed Cuckoo
- \_\_\_ Yellow-billed Cuckoo

### Chickadees and Nuthatches

- \_\_\_ Black-capped Chickadee
- \_\_\_ Carolina Chickadee
- \_\_\_ Tufted Titmouse
- \_\_\_ Brown-headed Nuthatch
- \_\_\_ Red-breasted Nuthatch
- \_\_\_ White-breasted Nuthatch
- \_\_\_ Brown Creeper

### Wrens

- \_\_\_ Carolina Wren
- \_\_\_ House Wren
- \_\_\_ Marsh Wren
- \_\_\_ Sedge Wren
- \_\_\_ Winter Wren

### Flycatchers

- \_\_\_ Acadian Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Alder Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Great Crested Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Olive-sided Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Willow Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Eastern Phoebe
- \_\_\_ Eastern Wood-Pewee
- \_\_\_ Eastern Kingbird
- \_\_\_ Western Kingbird
- \_\_\_ Least Flycatcher

### Vireos

- \_\_\_ Blue-headed Vireo
- \_\_\_ Philadelphia Vireo
- \_\_\_ Red-eyed Vireo
- \_\_\_ Warbling Vireo
- \_\_\_ White-eyed Vireo
- \_\_\_ Yellow-throated Vireo

## Tanagers, Sparrows and Allies

- Eastern Towhee
- Scarlet Tanager
- Summer Tanager
- Western Tanager
- American Tree Sparrow
- Chipping Sparrow
- Clay-colored Sparrow
- Field Sparrow
- Fox Sparrow
- Grasshopper Sparrow
- Henslow's Sparrow
- House Sparrow
- Lark Sparrow
- LeConte's Sparrow
- Lincoln's Sparrow
- Nelson's Sparrow
- Saltmarsh Sparrow
- Seaside Sparrow
- Song Sparrow
- Swamp Sparrow
- Vesper Sparrow
- White-crowned Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow
- Indigo Bunting
- Painted Bunting
- Snow Bunting
- Dark-eyed Junco
- Blue Grosbeak
- Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- Northern Cardinal

## Warblers

- Bay-breasted Warbler
- Black-and-White Warbler
- Blackburnian Warbler
- Blackpoll Warbler
- Black-throated Blue Warbler
- Black-throated Gray Warbler
- Black-throated Green Warbler
- Blue-winged Warbler
- Cape May Warbler
- Cerulean Warbler
- Chestnut-sided Warbler
- Common Yellowthroat
- Connecticut Warbler
- Kentucky Warbler
- Magnolia Warbler
- Nashville Warbler
- Palm Warbler
- Pine Warbler
- Prairie Warbler
- Prothonotary Warbler
- Swainson's Warbler
- Tennessee Warbler
- Wilson's Warbler
- Worm-eating Warbler
- Yellow Warbler
- Yellow-rumped Warbler
- Yellow-throated Warbler
- Yellow-breasted Chat
- Ovenbird
- Northern Parula
- American Redstart
- Louisiana Waterthrush
- Northern Waterthrush

## Notes

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Weather: \_\_\_\_\_

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