

	SP	S	F	W
Violet-green Swallow *	C	C	U	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow *	U	U	R	
Bank Swallow			R	
Cliff Swallow	R	U	U	
Barn Swallow *	C	C	C	
Black-capped Chickadee *	C	C	C	C
Mountain Chickadee	R		R	
Chestnut-backed Chickadee *	C	C	C	C
Bushtit *	C	C	C	C
Red-breasted Nuthatch *	C	C	C	C
Brown Creeper *	C	C	C	C
Rock Wren			R	
Bewick's Wren *	C	C	C	C
House Wren			R	
Winter Wren *	C	C	C	C
Marsh Wren			R	R
American Dipper			R	R
Golden-crowned Kinglet *	C	U	C	C
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	C	R	C	C
Western Bluebird	R			
Mountain Bluebird	R			
Townsend's Solitaire	R		R	
Swainson's Thrush*	C	C	U	
Hermit Thrush	U	R	U	U
American Robin *	C	C	C	C
Varied Thrush	C	R	C	C
Northern Mockingbird		R	R	R
European Starling (I) *	C	C	C	C
White Wagtail			A	
American Pipit	R		U	R
Bohemian Waxwing			R	R
Cedar Waxwing *	U	C	C	U
Orange-crowned Warbler *	C	C	C	R
Nashville Warbler	R			
Yellow Warbler	U	R	U	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	C	R	C	C
Black-throated Gray Warbler *	C	U	C	
Townsend's Warbler	U	U	U	R
Hermit Warbler	R	R		
Blackburnian Warbler				A
MacGillivray's Warbler	U	U	U	
Common Yellowthroat		R	R	
Hooded Warbler	A			A
Wilson's Warbler *	C	C	C	
Western Tanager *	C	U	R	
Spotted Towhee *	C	C	C	C

	SP	S	F	W
American Tree Sparrow				R
Chipping Sparrow	R	R	R	
Vesper Sparrow	R		R	
Lark Sparrow			R	
Savannah Sparrow *	C	C	C	R
Fox Sparrow	C		C	C
Song Sparrow *	C	C	C	C
Lincoln's Sparrow	R		U	R
White-throated Sparrow	R		R	
Harris's Sparrow				R
White-crowned Sparrow *	C	C	C	U
Golden-crowned Sparrow	C		C	C
Dark-eyed Junco *	C	U	C	C
Lapland Longspur			R	
Snow Bunting			R	R
Black-headed Grosbeak *	U	U	R	
Lazuli Bunting	R	R		
Red-winged Blackbird *	C	C	U	U
Western Meadowlark	U	R	U	U
Yellow-headed Blackbird		R		
Brewer's Blackbird	R	R	R	R
Brown-headed Cowbird *	C	C	U	
Bullock's Oriole *	R	R		
Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch	R			R
Pine Grosbeak			R	
Purple Finch	U	R	U	U
House Finch *	C	C	C	C
Red Crossbill	U	U	U	U
Common Redpoll			R	R
Pine Siskin *	C	U	C	C
American Goldfinch *	C	C	U	U
Evening Grosbeak	U	U	U	U
House Sparrow (I) *	C	C	C	C

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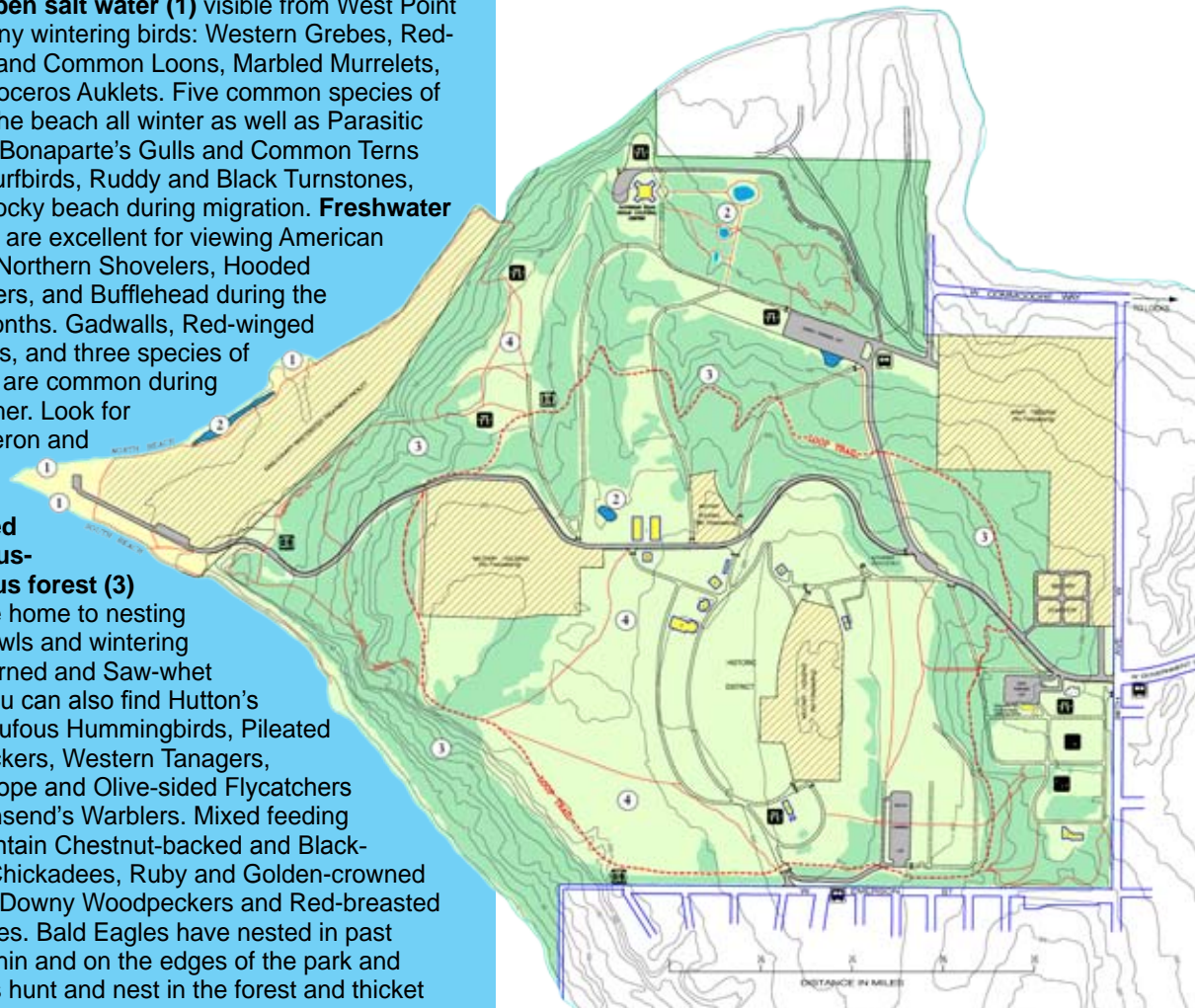
Welcome to Discovery Park, Seattle's premier birding "hot spot". This park on the shores of Puget Sound, is comprised of 550 acres of mixed woodlands, meadows, rocky and sandy beaches as well as fresh water habitats. The diversity of habitats creates a location of regional importance for the public to encounter over 270 species of birds.

The **open salt water (1)** visible from West Point hosts many wintering birds: Western Grebes, Red-throated and Common Loons, Marbled Murrelets, and Rhinoceros Auklets. Five common species of gull use the beach all winter as well as Parasitic Jaegers, Bonaparte's Gulls and Common Terns in fall. Surfbirds, Ruddy and Black Turnstones, use the rocky beach during migration. **Freshwater areas (2)** are excellent for viewing American Wigeon, Northern Shovelers, Hooded Mergansers, and Bufflehead during the winter months. Gadwalls, Red-winged Blackbirds, and three species of swallows are common during the summer. Look for Green Heron and Purple Martins.

The **Mixed coniferous- deciduous forest (3)** areas are home to nesting Barred Owls and wintering Great Horned and Saw-whet Owls. You can also find Hutton's Vireos, Rufous Hummingbirds, Pileated Woodpeckers, Western Tanagers, Pacific-slope and Olive-sided Flycatchers and Townsend's Warblers. Mixed feeding flocks contain Chestnut-backed and Black-capped Chickadees, Ruby and Golden-crowned Kinglets, Downy Woodpeckers and Red-breasted Nuthatches. Bald Eagles have nested in past years within and on the edges of the park and accipiters hunt and nest in the forest and thicket edges. Savannah and White-crowned Sparrows nest in the **South Meadows (4)**, and winter brings Fox, Lincoln, and Golden-crowned Sparrows as well. Look for Barn Owls patrolling for rodents at dusk. *Enjoy birding in the park and remember to be respectful of all life so Discovery Park will remain a haven for birds and other wildlife for years to come.*

# Birds of Discovery Park

## A Checklist



**Abundance Code**  
*C* - common; occurs regularly in at least moderate numbers  
*U* - uncommon; occurs regularly but in small numbers  
*R* - rare; seldom recorded  
*I* - introduced  
*A* - accidental; only one record and far outside normal range  
*\** - known to nest in the park

*SP* - Spring (March-May)  
*S* - Summer (June-July)

*F* - Fall (August-November)  
*W* - Winter (December-February)

	SP	S	F	W
Greater White-fronted Goose			R	
Snow Goose	R		R	
Brant	C		C	C
Canada Goose	U	C	U	U
Tundra Swan			R	R
Wood Duck	R			
Gadwall *	U	U	U	U
Eurasian Wigeon			R	
American Wigeon	U		C	U
Mallard *	C	C	C	C
Blue-winged Teal	R	R		
Cinnamon Teal	R	R		
Northern Shoveler	U	U	U	U
Northern Pintail	R	R	U	U
Green-winged Teal	R	R	R	R
Canvasback			R	R
Ring-necked Duck	R			
Greater Scaup	U	R	C	C
Lesser Scaup	R		R	R
King Eider				R
Harlequin Duck	U		U	U
Surf Scoter	C	R	C	C
White-winged Scoter	C	R	C	C
Black Scoter	C	R	C	C
Long-tailed Duck	R		R	R
Bufflehead	R		R	R
Common Goldeneye	C		U	C
Barrow's Goldeneye	C		U	U
Hooded Merganser *		R	R	R
Common Merganser	U	U	C	U
Red-breasted Merganser	C	R	C	C
Ruddy Duck			R	R
Ring-necked Pheasant (I) *	R	R	R	R
California Quail (I) *	U	U	U	U
Red-throated Loon	U		U	U
Pacific Loon	R		R	R
Common Loon	U	R	U	U
Yellow-billed Loon	R		R	R

	SP	S	F	W
Pied-billed Grebe	R	R	R	R
Horned Grebe	C	R	C	C
Red-necked Grebe	C	R	U	U
Eared Grebe			R	R
Western Grebe	C	R	C	C
Clark's Grebe	R		R	
Sooty Shearwater			R	R
Short-tailed Shearwater			R	R
Leach's Storm-Petrel			R	
Brown Pelican		R	R	
Brandt's Cormorant	U	R	U	U
Double-crested Cormorant	C	R	C	C
Pelagic Cormorant	U		U	U
Great Blue Heron *	C	C	C	C
Green Heron	R	R	R	R
Black-crowned Night-Heron			R	
Turkey Vulture	U	R	U	
Osprey	U	U	U	
Bald Eagle *	C	C	C	C
Northern Harrier	U	R	U	U
Sharp-shinned Hawk*	U	R	U	U
Cooper's Hawk *	U	U	U	U
Northern Goshawk	R		R	
Red-tailed Hawk	U	U	U	C
Rough-legged Hawk	R		R	
Golden Eagle	R			
American Kestrel	U	U	U	U
Merlin	U		U	U
Eurasian Hobby			A	
Peregrine Falcon	U	U	U	U
Sora	R			
American Coot	R		R	R
Sandhill Crane			R	
Black-bellied Plover	R	R	R	
American Golden-Plover			R	
Pacific Golden-Plover	R	R	R	
Semipalmated Plover	R	U	U	
Killdeer *	C	C	C	C
Black Oystercatcher				R
Greater Yellowlegs	R	R	R	
Lesser Yellowlegs	R			
Willet				R
Wandering Tattler		R	R	
Spotted Sandpiper	U	U	U	R
Whimbrel	R	R	R	
Marbled Godwit	R		R	

	SP	S	F	W
Ruddy Turnstone	R		R	
Black Turnstone	R		R	R
Surfbird			R	
Red Knot	R		R	
Sanderling	C	U	C	U
Semipalmated Sandpiper		R		
Western Sandpiper	U	C	C	
Least Sandpiper	U	U	U	
Baird's Sandpiper		R	R	
Pectoral Sandpiper		R	R	
Dunlin	U		U	U
Short-billed Dowitcher		R		
Long-billed Dowitcher			R	R
Wilson's Snipe	R		R	R
Wilson's Phalarope	R			
Red-necked Phalarope			R	
Parasitic Jaeger		R	U	R
Long-tailed Jaeger			R	
Franklin's Gull			R	
Little Gull	R		R	R
Bonaparte's Gull	C	U	C	C
Heermann's Gull		U	U	R
Mew Gull		R	C	C
Ring-billed Gull	R	R	R	R
California Gull	U	C	C	U
Herring Gull	R	R		R
Thayer's Gull	R		R	U
Western Gull	R		R	R
Glaucous-winged Gull *	C	C	C	C
Glaucous Gull	R		R	R
Sabine's Gull			R	
Black-legged Kittiwake				R
Caspian Tern	C	U	R	R
Common Tern	R	C	C	
Arctic Tern			R	
Forster's Tern		R	R	
Black Tern		R	R	
Common Murre	R	R	R	R
Pigeon Guillemot *	C	C	C	C
Marbled Murrelet	U	U	U	U
Ancient Murrelet			U	U
Cassin's Auklet			R	
Rhinoceros Auklet	U	R	U	U
Horned Puffin			A	
Rock Pigeon (I) *	C	C	C	C
Band-tailed Pigeon *	C	C	C	C

	SP	S	F	W
Mourning Dove	R	R	R	
Barn Owl *	U	U	U	R
Western Screech-Owl	R			R
Great Horned Owl	R	R	U	U
Snowy Owl			R	R
Barred Owl *	U	U	R	R
Long-eared Owl *	R	R		R
Short-eared Owl	R		R	R
Northern Saw-whet Owl	R		R	R
Common Nighthawk	R		R	R
Black Swift		R	R	
Vaux's Swift	R	U	U	
Anna's Hummingbird *	C	C	C	C
Rufous Hummingbird *	C	C	R	
Belted Kingfisher *	U	U	U	U
Lewis's Woodpecker	R			
Red-naped Sapsucker	R			R
Red-breasted Sapsucker	R		R	R
Downy Woodpecker *	C	C	C	C
Hairy Woodpecker *	R	R	R	R
Northern Flicker *	C	C	C	C
Pileated Woodpecker *	U	U	U	U
Olive-sided Flycatcher *	U	U	U	
Western Wood-Pewee *	U	U	U	
Willow Flycatcher *	U	C	R	
Hammond's Flycatcher	R	R	R	
Gray Flycatcher	R			
Pacific-slope Flycatcher *	C	C	C	
Say's Phoebe	R			R
Western Kingbird	R	R	R	
Eastern Kingbird		R		
Northern Shrike	R		R	R
Cassin's Vireo *	C	U	R	
Hutton's Vireo *	U	U	U	U
Warbling Vireo *	C	C	U	
Red-eyed Vireo	R			
Gray Jay	R			
Steller's Jay *	C	C	C	C
Blue Jay	A			A
Clark's Nutcracker			R	
Black-billed Magpie	R			R
American Crow *	C	C	C	C
Common Raven	R		R	
Horned Lark			R	R
Purple Martin		R	R	
Tree Swallow *	U	U	U	