

Seasons:			W	Sp	Su	F		W	Sp	Su	F
W – Winter	December-February	___ *Wild Turkey	c	c	u	c	___ +Great Crested Flycatcher	c	c	c	
Sp – Spring	March-May	___ +Ruffed Grouse	r	r	r	r	___ *Eastern Kingbird	c			u
Su – Summer	June-July	___ *Ring-necked Pheasant				r	___ Olive-sided Flycatcher				r
F – Fall	August-November	___ Pied-billed Grebe			c	u	___ +Eastern Wood-Pewee	c	c		c
		___ Horned Grebe			o	o	___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher				u
		___ *Rock Pigeon			u	o	___ +Acadian Flycatcher	c	c		u
		___ +Mourning Dove	c	c	c	c	___ *Alder Flycatcher	r			
		___ *Yellow-billed Cuckoo			u	u	___ *Willow Flycatcher	o			
		___ *Black-billed Cuckoo			u	u	___ +Least Flycatcher	u	u		u
		___ *Common Nighthawk				u	___ +Eastern Phoebe	c	c		c
		___ *Eastern Whip-poor-will			r	r	___ +White-eyed Vireo	u	u		u
		___ *Chimney Swift			c	c	___ +Yellow-throated Vireo	c	c		u
		___ *Ruby-throated Hummingbird			c	c	___ *Blue-headed Vireo	c	o		c
		___ American Coot	r	u		u	___ Philadelphia Vireo	r			u
		___ *Killdeer			c	c	___ *Warbling Vireo	u			u
		___ Pectoral Sandpiper				r	___ +Red-eyed Vireo	c	c		c
		___ *American Woodcock	r	u	o		___ +Blue Jay	c	c	c	a
		___ *Spotted Sandpiper			c	c	___ +American Crow	c	c	c	c
		___ Solitary Sandpiper			o	u	___ *Common Raven	u	u	u	u
		___ Lesser Yellowlegs				r	___ +Tree Swallow	u	c	c	u
		___ Bonaparte's Gull			r		___ *N. Rough-winged Swallow	u			
		___ Ring-billed Gull			o	o	___ +Barn Swallow	c	c		c
		___ Common Loon			u	r	___ *Cliff Swallow	u			
		___ Double-crested Cormorant			o	o	___ +Black-capped Chickadee	c	c	c	c
		___ *Great Blue Heron			c	u	___ +Tufted Titmouse	c	c	c	c
		___ *Green Heron			c	c	___ *Red-breasted Nuthatch		u	o	u
		___ Black-crowned Night-Heron			r		___ +White-breasted Nuthatch	c	c	c	c
		___ *Turkey Vulture			c	c	___ *Brown Creeper	u	u	o	u
		___ *Osprey			o	r	___ +House Wren		c	c	c
		___ Northern Harrier			r		___ Winter Wren	r	o	r	u
		___ *Sharp-shinned Hawk			u	u	___ +Carolina Wren	u	c	c	c
		___ *Cooper's Hawk	o	u	u	u	___ +Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		c	c	c
		___ *Bald Eagle				o	___ *Golden-crowned Kinglet	c	c		c
		___ *Red-shouldered Hawk				r	___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet		c		c
		___ +Broad-winged Hawk			c	c	___ +Eastern Bluebird	u	c	c	c
		___ *Red-tailed Hawk	c	c	c	c	___ *Veery		u		u
		___ * Eastern Screech-Owl	u	u	u	u	___ Gray-cheeked Thrush				u
		___ *Great Horned Owl	u	u	u	u	___ Swainson's Thrush		u		c
		___ *Barred Owl	u	u	u	u	___ *Hermit Thrush	o	u		u
		___ +Belted Kingfisher	r	u	u	c	___ +Wood Thrush		c	c	c
		___ *Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			u	u	___ +American Robin	u	a	a	a
		___ +Red-bellied Woodpecker	c	c	c	c	___ +Gray Catbird		c	c	c
		___ +Downy Woodpecker	c	c	c	c	___ +Brown Thrasher		u	u	u
		___ +Hairy Woodpecker	c	c	c	c	___ *Northern Mockingbird			r	r
		___ +Northern Flicker	u	c	c	c	___ +European Starling	c	c	c	a
		___ +Pileated Woodpecker	u	c	u	c	___ +Cedar Waxwing	o	a	c	a
		___ *American Kestrel	r				___ *House Sparrow	o	o	o	o

Relative Abundance:			W	Sp	Su	F
a – abundant	a species observable in large numbers	___ Snow Goose	o	o		o
c – common	a species which should be seen in suitable habitat	___ *Canada Goose	c	c	c	c
u – uncommon	a species present but in limited numbers; may refer to a secretive species	___ Mute Swan			o	
o – occasional	a bird reported only a few times during the season	___ Tundra Swan	o			o
r – rare	a species not seen every year or one with few records in the park	___ +Wood Duck	r	u		u
x – accidental	a bird out of range	___ Blue-winged Teal				o
		___ American Wigeon	u	c		c
		___ *Mallard	u	c	c	c
		___ *Am. Black Duck	u	c	o	c
		___ Northern Pintail		r		
		___ Green-winged Teal		r		r
		___ Ring-necked Duck		o		
		___ Lesser Scaup		r		
		___ Long-tailed Duck		r		
		___ Bufflehead	r	o		
		___ Common Goldeneye		o		
		___ *Hooded Merganser	r	o		
		___ Common Merganser		o		o
		___ Red-breasted Merganser		o		
		___ Ruddy Duck		o		o
		___ Northern Bobwhite		r		

*Known to have bred in Indiana County

+Nesting confirmed within the borders of Blue Spruce County Park

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	W	Sp	Su	F		W	Sp	Su	F
___ American Pipit				r	___ *Northern Parula		u		u
___ +House Finch	c	c	c	c	___ *Magnolia Warbler		c		c
___ *Purple Finch	o	c	u	u	___ Bay-breasted Warbler		o		c
___ Common Redpoll	r	r			___ *Blackburnian Warbler		c		c
___ White-winged Crossbill		r		r	___ +Yellow Warbler		c	c	c
___ *Pine Siskin	r	r		r	___ *Chestnut-sided Warbler		c	u	c
___ +American Goldfinch	c	c	c	c	___ Blackpoll Warbler		c		c
___ *Grasshopper Sparrow		r			___ *Black-throated Blue Warbler		u		u
___ +Chipping Sparrow		c	c	a	___ Palm Warbler		u		u
___ +Field Sparrow	u	c	c	c	___ *Pine Warbler		r		r
___ Fox Sparrow					___ *Yellow-rumped Warbler	o	c		c
___ American Tree Sparrow	c	c		c	___ *Yellow-throated Warbler				r
___ *Dark-eyed Junco	c	c		c	___ *Prairie Warbler		c	c	c
___ White-crowned Sparrow		u		u	___ *Black-throated Green Warbler		c	c	c
___ White-throated Sparrow	c	c		c	___ *Canada Warbler		u		u
___ *Savannah Sparrow				r	___ Wilson's Warbler		u		u
___ +Song Sparrow	u	c	c	c	___ +Scarlet Tanager		c	c	c
___ Lincoln's Sparrow				o	___ Western Tanager		x		
___ *Swamp Sparrow		o		o	___ +Northern Cardinal	c	c	c	c
___ +Eastern Towhee		c	c	c	___ +Rose-breasted Grosbeak		c	c	c
___ *Yellow-breasted Chat				r	___ +Indigo Bunting		c	c	c
___ *Bobolink				o					
___ *Eastern Meadowlark		r							
___ *Orchard Oriole		u							
___ +Baltimore Oriole		c	c	c					
___ *Red-winged Blackbird		u	u	u					
___ +Brown-headed Cowbird		c	c	u					
___ Rusty Blackbird				r					
___ *Common Grackle		c	c	a					
___ +Ovenbird		c	c	c					
___ *Worm-eating Warbler		r		r					
___ *Louisiana Waterthrush		o	o						
___ Northern Waterthrush		u		u					
___ *Golden-winged Warbler		r		r					
___ +Blue-winged Warbler		c	c	c					
___ +Black-and-white Warbler		c	c	c					
___ Tennessee Warbler		c		c					
___ Orange-crowned Warbler				r					
___ *Nashville Warbler		c		c					
___ Connecticut Warbler				r					
___ Mourning Warbler		o		o					
___ *Kentucky Warbler		u		o					
___ +Common Yellowthroat		c	c	c					
___ +Hooded Warbler		c	c	c					
___ +American Redstart		c	c	c					
___ Cape May Warbler		u		c					
___ *Cerulean Warbler		o		r					

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Blue Spruce County Park, located six miles north of Indiana in Rayne Township, is one of the best birding locations in Indiana County. Blue Spruce is noted for its excellent passerine migration. Early spring and fall mornings may yield a nice variety of vireos, warblers, and thrushes especially along Getty Run Trail, the most consistent location for finding Philadelphia Vireo, Gray-cheeked Thrush, Connecticut Warbler, and Mourning Warbler in the fall.

Small numbers of waterfowl stop to use the lake every spring. In addition, the summer birding is excellent with opportunities to find a great variety of nesting species. Winter, too, may bring surprises.

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