



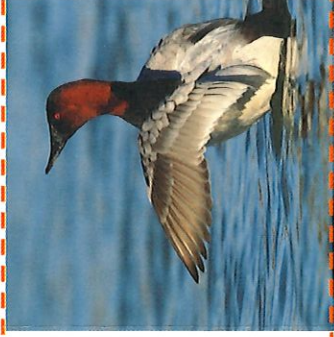
Gray Catbird

Dumetella carolinensis
Family: Mockingbirds and Thrashers

Very adaptable; will use almost any type of leafy natural area, including backyards

Status: Common When to see:   

photo: Kathy Sidles/Audubon Photography Awards



Canvasback

Aythya valisineria
Family: Ducks and Geese

Likes reservoirs, large rivers and bays during winter

Status: Uncommon When to see:  

photo: Teri Franzen/Audubon Photography Awards



European Starling

Sturnus vulgaris
Family: Starlings and Mynas

Non-native invasive bird; forages in open grassy areas, city streets, and agricultural fields

Status: Common When to see:    

photo: William Baldrige/Audubon Photography Awards



Common Merganser

Mergus merganser
Family: Ducks and Geese

Eats fish in calm, clear bodies of fresh water like the reservoir

Status: Uncommon When to see:  

photo: Gail Norwood/Audubon Photography Awards



Cedar Waxwing

Bombycilla cedrorum
Family: Waxwings

Nests all over the city in park-like areas like the reservoir; feeds on insects and fruit

Status: Uncommon When to see:   

photo: Gene Peterse/Audubon Photography Awards



Eastern Phoebe

Sayornis phoebe
Family: Flycatchers

Looks for flying insects at or around streams, ponds, and lakes

Status: Uncommon When to see:  

photo: Andrea Hedblom/Audubon Photography Awards



Yellow Warbler

Setophaga petechia
Family: Wood Warblers

Nests in woods next to marshes, lakes, and ponds

Status: Uncommon When to see:  

photo: Sheen Watkins/Audubon Photography Awards



Great Blue Heron

Ardea herodias

Family: Herons, Egrets, Bitterns

Adapts to many locations with water, including in urban areas

Status: Uncommon When to see:    

photo: Christopher Grau/Audubon Photography Awards



Red-tailed Hawk

Buteo jamaicensis

Family: Hawks and Eagles

Has adapted to city life; eats pigeons, rats, and other organisms in urban areas

Status: Uncommon When to see:    

photo: Brian E. Kushner/Audubon Photography Awards



Pied-billed Grebe

Podilymbus podiceps

Family: Grebes

Likes calm, clear water like the reservoir; other nearby bodies of water are too muddy

Status: Uncommon When to see:   

photo: Tim Kuhn/Audubon Photography Awards



Ring-billed Gull

Larus delawarensis

Family: Gulls and Terns

Very adaptable, in cities eats food scraps in parking lots and earthworms on lawns

Status: Common When to see:   

photo: Mark Eden/Great Backyard Bird Count



Wood Duck

Aix sponsa

Family: Ducks and Geese

Breeds in tree cavities near water in many places in Philadelphia

Status: Uncommon When to see:   

photo: Dee Langevin/Audubon Photography Awards



Chimney Swift

Chaetura pelagica

Family: Swifts

Once bred in hollow trees, but now almost always nests in chimneys

Status: Common When to see:   

photo: © G. Armistead/VIREO



Northern Rough-winged Swallow

Stelgidopteryx serripennis

Family: Swallows

Very adaptable; breeds in cavities in walls, stone bridges, and other structures

Status: Common When to see:   

photo: David Boltz/Audubon Photography Awards



Warbling Vireo

Vireo gilvus

Family: Vireos

Prefers to breed in trees bordering rivers, lakes, and ponds; breeds around reservoir


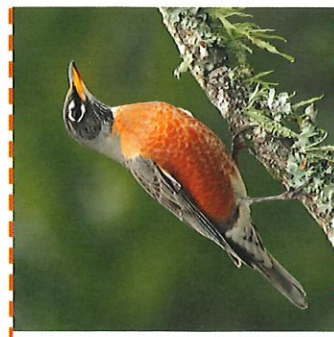
Status: Uncommon When to see:   

photo: Lee Karney/USFWS



American Robin

Turdus migratorius

Family: Thrushes

Very adaptable; eats berries, earthworms and other invertebrates found on the ground

Status: Very Common When to see:   

photo: Clyde Dexter/Audubon Photography Awards

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Birds at The Discovery Center

As the seasons change in Philadelphia, the bird populations also vary. Summer and winter residents come and go, transients visit for short periods, and year-round residents alter their behavior.

In **SPRING**, migratory birds return to their breeding grounds and join local residents building nests.

In the **FALL**, many birds prepare for their migration journey south. Some species begin to form flocks.



White-throated Sparrow
Zonotrichia albicollis
Family: New World Sparrows
Most common sparrow in Philadelphia during the winter
Status: Common

When to see:

photo: Aspen Allen/Audubon Photography Awards



Canada Goose
Branta canadensis
Family: Ducks and Geese
Uses a variety of habitats, including mowed lawns in parks and golf courses
Status: Very Common

When to see:

photo: Mark Williams/Audubon Photography Awards



Red-bellied Woodpecker
Melanerpes carolinus
Family: Woodpeckers
Very adaptable; excavates nest holes in dead tree limbs; uses street trees
Status: Uncommon

When to see:

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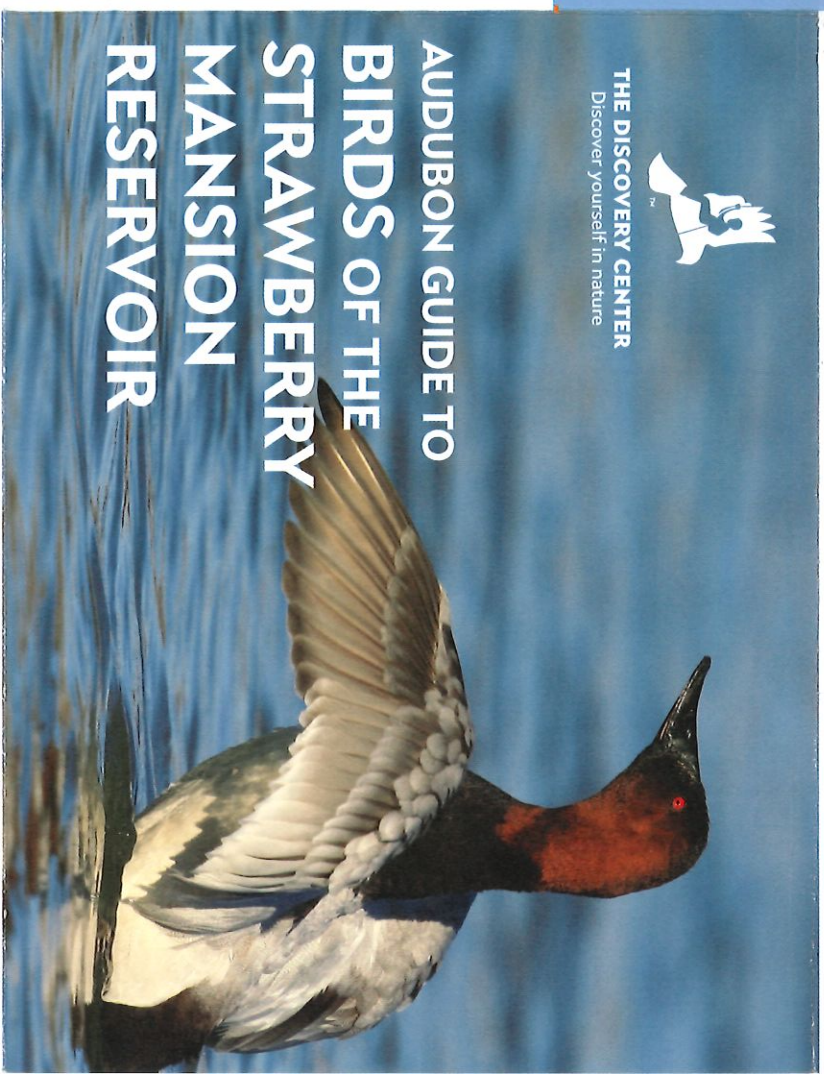
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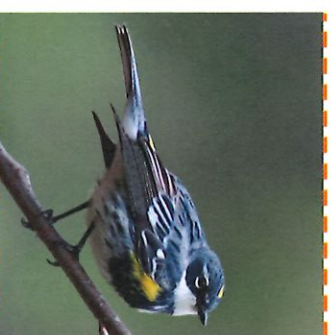


Yellow-rumped Warbler

Setophaga coronata
Family: Wood Warblers
Most common warbler in Philadelphia during the spring and fall
Status: Common

When to see:

photo: Megumi Williamson/Audubon Photography Awards



Red-winged Blackbird
Agelaius phoeniceus
Family: Blackbirds and Orioles
Breeds all around reservoir; likes to breed near lakes, ponds, and marshes
Status: Common

When to see:

photo: Tim Kuhn/Audubon Photography Awards



Baltimore Oriole
Icterus galbula
Family: Blackbirds and Orioles
Nests all over the city in parklike areas like the reservoir; feeds on insects and fruit
Status: Uncommon

When to see:

photo: Mark Boyd/Audubon Photography Awards

