

BIRDER'S GUIDE

*to birds of
Landa Park*



Whether you're a devoted birder or a casual observer, Landa Park is a great destination for bird watching. This scenic park provides nesting and feeding habitat for a large variety of bird species, both seasonally and year-round.

The park's 51 acres of green space include the Comal Springs, plants and groves of trees that support a great variety of birds, from yellow crowned night herons to red-shouldered hawks.



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Birders. Data compiled from eBird, Bill's Earth and Comal County Birding records.

Photo Credits: Dan Tharp

Photos on front: Great Blue Heron, Crested Caracara, Inca Dove

Photo above: Red-shouldered Hawk and Chick

Photos on back: Yellow-crowned Night-Heron, Green Heron, Female Wood Duck

“ We are fortunate to live in an area that is part of several migratory flyways, where there are abundant numbers of costal and shore birds, seasonal visitors from the south and west and many woodland species. Landa Park is a choice destination for any bird lover. ”

- Dan Tharp

Field Checklist to Birds of *Landa Park*

Legend: X - recorded as seen, may not be common

FAMILY/SPECIES	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	Total #
Blackbirds, Orioles and Grackles					
___ Red-winged Blackbird	X				
___ Common Grackle	X	X	X	X	
___ Great-tailed Grackle	X	X	X	X	
___ Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X			
___ Baltimore Oriole			X		
Cardinals and Allies					
___ Northern Cardinal	X	X	X	X	
___ Indigo Bunting	X				
Caracaras and Falcons					
___ Crested Caracara				X	
___ American Kestrel				X	
Chickadees and Titmice					
___ Carolina Chickadee	X	X	X	X	
___ Black-crested Titmouse	X	X	X	X	
Cormorants					
___ Neotropical Cormorant	X		X	X	
___ Double-crested Cormorant	X	X	X	X	
___ Anhinga				X	
Ducks and Geese					
___ Black-bellied Whistling Duck	X	X	X		
___ Wood Duck	X	X	X	X	
___ Blue-winged Teal	X				
___ Northern Shoveler				X	
___ Gadwall				X	
___ Ring-necked Duck				X	
___ Greater Scaup				X	
___ Lesser Scaup			X	X	

FAMILY/SPECIES	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	Total #
Exotics and Non-migratory					
___ Mallard	X	X	X	X	
___ Muscovy	X	X	X	X	
___ Egyptian Goose	X	X	X	X	
Finches					
___ House Finch	X	X	X	X	
___ Lesser Goldfinch	X			X	
___ American Goldfinch			X	X	
Flycatchers					
___ Least Flycatcher			X		
___ Eastern Phoebe			X	X	
___ Great-crested Flycatcher		X			
___ Couch's Kingbird			X	X	
___ Western Kingbird	X	X			
___ Eastern Kingbird	X	X			
Gnatcatcher					
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	X		X		
Grebes					
___ Least Grebe			X	X	
___ Pied-billed Grebe	X	X	X	X	
Hérons and Egrets					
___ Great Blue Heron	X	X	X	X	
___ Great Egret	X	X	X	X	
___ Green Heron		X			
___ Black-crowned Night-Heron	X			X	
___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron			X	X	
Hummingbirds					
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird	X	X			
___ Black-chinned Hummingbird	X	X			

Did you know? *The Ruby-throated Hummingbird* beat their wings 53 times a second.

FAMILY/SPECIES	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	Total #
Jays					
___ Blue Jay	X	X	X	X	
Kingfishers					
___ Belted Kingfisher	X	X	X	X	
___ Green Kingfisher				X	
Kinglets					
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet			X	X	
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet			X	X	
Kites, Eagles and Hawks					
___ Cooper's Hawk	X		X	X	
___ Red-shouldered Hawk	X	X	X	X	
Mockingbirds					
___ Hermit Thrush				X	
___ Northern Mockingbird	X	X	X	X	
New World Vultures					
___ Black Vulture	X	X	X	X	
___ Turkey Vulture	X	X	X	X	
Nightjars					
___ Common Nighthawk	X	X			
Old World Sparrow					
___ House Sparrow	X	X	X	X	
Osprey					
___ Osprey	X		X		
Owls					
___ Great Horned Owl	X	X	X	X	
___ Barred Owl	X	X	X	X	
Pigeons and Doves					
___ Rock Pigeon	X	X	X	X	
___ White-winged Dove	X	X	X	X	
___ Mourning Dove	X	X	X	X	
___ Inca Dove	X	X	X	X	

FAMILY/SPECIES	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	Total #
Plovers					
___ Killdeer	X	X	X	X	
Rails, Gallinules, and Coots					
___ Common Moorhen				X	
___ American Coot	X	X	X	X	
Sandpipers					
___ Spotted Sandpiper	X			X	
Shrikes					
___ Loggerhead Shrike				X	
Sparrows					
___ Chipping Sparrow				X	
Starlings					
___ European Starling	X	X	X	X	
Swallows					
___ Purple Martin	X				
___ Tree Swallow	X				
___ Barn Swallow	X	X			
Tanagers					
___ Summer Tanager	X	X			
Vireos					
___ White-eyed Vireo	X	X			
___ Blue-headed Vireo				X	
___ Red-eyed Vireo	X	X			
Waxwings					
___ Cedar Waxwings	X			X	

Did you know? *The Killdeer is the one most commonly seen species of birds to perform the broken-wing distraction display. The broken-wing act is used to lure predators from their nest.*

FAMILY/SPECIES Spring Summer Fall Winter Total #

Woodpeckers

___ Golden-fronted Woodpecker	X	X	X	X	
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			X	X	
___ Ladder-backed Woodpecker	X	X	X	X	
___ Downy Woodpecker	X	X	X	X	
___ Northern Flicker	X			X	

Wood-Warblers

___ Black-and-white Warbler	X		X		
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