

	SP	S	F	W
<b>THRUSHES</b>				
___ Eastern Bluebird .....	O		O	
___ Veery.....	U	O	U	
___ Gray-cheeked Thrush.....	U	O	U	
___ Swainson's Thrush .....	U	O	U	
___ Hermit Thrush.....	C	R	U	O
___ Wood Thrush*.....	C	C	U	
___ American Robin*.....	A	A	A	C
<b>MOCKINGBIRDS, THRASHER &amp; ALLIES</b>				
___ Gray Catbird*.....	A	A	C	U
___ Northern Mockingbird*.....	C	C	C	C
___ Brown Thrasher.....	U	O	U	O
<b>STARLINGS</b>				
___ European Starling*.....	A	A	A	A
<b>WAXWINGS</b>				
___ Cedar Waxwing.....	C	C	C	U
<b>WOOD WARBLERS</b>				
___ Blue-winged Warbler.....	U		U	
___ Tennessee Warbler.....	O		O	
___ Orange-crowned Warbler .....	O		O	
___ Nashville Warbler.....	U		U	R
___ Northern Parula.....	C	R	C	
___ Yellow Warbler*.....	C	C	O	
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler.....	U		U	
___ Magnolia Warbler.....	C	O	C	
___ Cape May Warbler.....	R	R	R	
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler.....	C	O	C	
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler.....	C		C	O
___ Black-throated Green Warbler....	C		C	
___ Blackburnian Warbler.....	U		U	R
___ Pine Warbler .....	U		U	R
___ Prairie Warbler.....	U		U	R
___ Palm Warbler.....	C		C	R
___ Bay-breasted Warbler .....	O	R	O	
___ Blackpoll Warbler.....	C	O	C	
___ Black-and-white Warbler.....	C		C	
___ American Redstar .....	C	U	C	
___ Worm-eating Warbler.....	O		O	
___ Ovenbird .....	C	O	C	
___ Northern Waterthrush.....	C	O	C	
___ Louisiana Waterthrush.....	O		R	
___ Common Yellowthroat*.....	C	C	C	R
___ Hooded Warbler.....	O		O	
___ Wilson's Warbler.....	U	R	U	
___ Canada Warbler.....	U	O	U	
<b>TANAGERS</b>				
___ Summer Tanager .....	O		O	
___ Scarlet Tanager .....	C	O	U	

	SP	S	F	W
<b>SPARROWS &amp; ALLIES</b>				
___ Eastern Towhee*.....	C	O	U	O
___ Chipping Sparrow*.....	C	U	C	R
___ Field Sparrow.....	U	R	U	O
___ Savannah Sparrow.....	U		U	
___ Fox Sparrow.....	U		U	U
___ Song Sparrow*.....	C	C	C	C
___ Swamp Sparrow.....	U		U	O
___ White-throated Sparrow.....	A		A	C
___ White-crowned Sparrow.....	R		O	R
___ Dark-eyed Junco.....	C		C	C
<b>CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS &amp; ALLIES</b>				
___ Northern Cardinal*.....	A	A	A	A
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak .....	U	O	U	
___ Indigo Bunting.....	U	O	O	
<b>BLACKBIRDS &amp; ALLIES</b>				
___ Red-winged Blackbird*.....	C	C	C	O
___ Rusty Blackbird .....	O		O	
___ Common Grackle*.....	C	A	C	O
___ Brown-headed Cowbird*.....	C	C	C	U
___ Orchard Oriole.....	O		O	
___ Baltimore Oriole*.....	C	C	U	R
<b>FINCHES &amp; ALLIES</b>				
___ Purple Finch.....	O		O	R
___ House Finch*.....	C	U	C	C
___ Pine Siskin .....	R		R	R
___ American Goldfinch*.....	C	C	C	C
<b>OLD WORLD SPARROWS</b>				
___ House Sparrow*.....	A	A	A	A

**Species seen less frequently than once every five years:**

Snow Goose	Ring-necked Pheasant
Turkey Vulture	Spotted Sandpiper
Chuck-will's-widow	Belted Kingfisher
Common Nighthawk#	Red-headed Woodpecker#
Olive-sided Flycatcher	Philadelphia Vireo
Bicknell's Thrush#	Golden-winged Warbler#
Yellow-throated Warbler	Cerulean Warbler#
Prothonotary Warbler	Kentucky Warbler
Connecticut Warbler	Morning Warbler
Vesper Sparrow#	Lincoln's Sparrow
Blue Grosbeak	Red Crossbill
	Common Redpoll

# BIRDS

OF

## VALLEY STREAM

STATE PARK

Our sincere thanks to Robert J. Berlingeri for compiling and updating this checklist.

*Special observations (breeding behavior, rare or out of season reports, etc.) should be reported to:*

New York Rare Bird Alert  
(631 - 734 - 4126)  
and then to  
Valley Stream State Park  
(516 - 825 - 4128)  
Thank you for your assistance.

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Belmont Lake State Park, P.O. Box 247, Babylon, New York 11702 (631) 669-1000



**CHECKLIST OF THE BIRDS OF  
VALLEY STREAM STATE PARK**

Valley Stream State Park is located 18 miles from Manhattan off the Southern State Parkway in Valley Stream, Long Island, New York. The park consists of 97 acres of fields, woodlands, streambeds, and freshwater wetlands. In addition to bird watching, visitors can enjoy self-guided nature trails, picnicking, children's play areas, basketball, bocce ball, softball, volleyball, soccer, football, cross-country skiing, and exercise trail. Interpretive programs, arts & crafts, and guided nature tours are available year-round by reservation.

For further information and to report rare birds, please call (516) 825 - 4128

**PERIODS OF OCCURRENCE**

SP Spring: Mar. 1-May 31  
S Summer: June 1-Aug. 31  
F Fall: Sept. 1-Nov. 30  
W Winter: Dec. 1-Feb. 28

**STATUS**

- A Abundant: Hard to miss in proper habitat
- C Common: Very likely to be seen in proper habitat
- U Uncommon: Present but not likely seen
- O Occasional: Seen 1-3 times per season
- R Rare: Seen at intervals of 2-5 years
- \* Breeding: Breeding confirmed within park boundaries
- # Species designated by the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation as endangered, threatened, or of special concern

**OBSERVER FIELD DATA**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Weather \_\_\_\_\_

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Notes \_\_\_\_\_

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**SWANS, GEESE & DUCKS**

___ Brant.....	C	R	C	C
___ Canada Goose*.....	A	C	A	C
___ Wood Duck .....	U	O	U	O
___ American Black Duck .....	R		R	R
___ Mallard*.....	C	C	C	C

**CORMORANTS**

___ Double-crested Cormorant.....	O	O	O	
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**BITTERNS & HERONS & ALLIES**

___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron*...	U	U		
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**KITES, EAGLES, HAWKS & ALLIES**

___ Osprey #.....	O	O	O	
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk #.....	U		U	O
___ Cooper's Hawk #.....	U		U	O
___ Red-shouldered Hawk#.....	O		O	R
___ Red-tailed Hawk .....	C	C	C	C

**FALCONS**

___ American Kestrel.....	O	R	U	O
___ Merlin.....	O	R	U	O
___ Peregrine Falcon # .....	O	R	O	O

**PLOVERS**

___ Killdeer.....	U	U	U	O
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**SANDPIPERS, PHALAROPES & ALLIES**

___ Solitary Sandpiper .....	O		R	
___ American Woodcock .....	R			R

**GULLS, TERNS & SKIMMERS**

___ Laughing Gull .....	U	U	U	
___ Ring-billed Gull .....	C	O	C	C
___ Herring Gull.....	U	U	C	C
___ Great Black-backed Gull .....			O	O

**PIGEONS & DOVES**

___ Rock Pigeon.....	A	A	A	A
___ Mourning Dove* .....	A	A	A	A

**CUCKOOS**

___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo .....	O	O	O	
___ Black-billed Cuckoo .....	O	O	O	

**SWIFTS**

___ Chimney Swift*.....	O	U	O	
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**HUMMINGBIRDS**

___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird.....	O	O	U	
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SWANS, GEESE & DUCKS				
___ Brant.....	C	R	C	C
___ Canada Goose*.....	A	C	A	C
___ Wood Duck .....	U	O	U	O
___ American Black Duck .....	R		R	R
___ Mallard*.....	C	C	C	C
CORMORANTS				
___ Double-crested Cormorant.....	O	O	O	
BITTERNS & HERONS & ALLIES				
___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron*...	U	U		
KITES, EAGLES, HAWKS & ALLIES				
___ Osprey #.....	O	O	O	
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk #.....	U		U	O
___ Cooper's Hawk #.....	U		U	O
___ Red-shouldered Hawk#.....	O		O	R
___ Red-tailed Hawk .....	C	C	C	C
FALCONS				
___ American Kestrel.....	O	R	U	O
___ Merlin.....	O	R	U	O
___ Peregrine Falcon # .....	O	R	O	O
PLOVERS				
___ Killdeer.....	U	U	U	O
SANDPIPERS, PHALAROPES & ALLIES				
___ Solitary Sandpiper .....	O		R	
___ American Woodcock .....	R			R
GULLS, TERNS & SKIMMERS				
___ Laughing Gull .....	U	U	U	
___ Ring-billed Gull .....	C	O	C	C
___ Herring Gull.....	U	U	C	C
___ Great Black-backed Gull .....			O	O
PIGEONS & DOVES				
___ Rock Pigeon.....	A	A	A	A
___ Mourning Dove* .....	A	A	A	A
CUCKOOS				
___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo .....	O	O	O	
___ Black-billed Cuckoo .....	O	O	O	
SWIFTS				
___ Chimney Swift*.....	O	U	O	
HUMMINGBIRDS				
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird.....	O	O	U	

**WOODPECKERS**

___ Red-bellied Woodpecker*.....	C	C	C	C
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker.....	U		U	O
___ Downy Woodpecker*.....	C	C	C	C
___ Hairy Woodpecker*.....	U	U	U	U
___ Northern Flicker*.....	A	C	C	U

**TYRANT FLYCATCHERS**

___ Eastern Wood-Pewee .....	C	U	U	
___ Acadian Flycatcher .....	O	O	O	
___ Least Flycatcher.....	O		O	
___ Eastern Phoebe.....	C		C	R
___ Great-crested Flycatcher* .....	C	O	U	
___ Eastern Kingbird*.....	C	O	U	

**VIREOS**

___ White-eyed Vireo.....	U	O	U	
___ Yellow-throated Vireo.....	O		O	
___ Blue-headed Vireo.....	C		C	
___ Warbling Vireo*.....	C	C	O	
___ Red-eyed Vireo*.....	C	C	C	

**JAYS & CROWS**

___ Blue Jay*.....	C	C	C	C
___ American Crow*.....	C	C	C	C
___ Fish Crow .....	C	C	C	U

**SWALLOWS**

___ Tree Swallow .....	O	O	O	R
___ Barn Swallow .....	O	O	O	

**CHICKADEES & TITMICE**

___ Black-capped Chickadee* .....	C	C	C	C
___ Tufted Titmouse* .....	C	C	C	C

**NUTHATCHES**

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch.....	O	R	U	U
___ White-breasted Nuthatch*.....	C	C	C	C

**CREEPERS**

___ Brown Creeper.....	C	R	C	C
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**WRENS**

___ Carolina Wren*.....	C	C	C	C
___ House Wren*.....	C	U	U	R
___ Winter Wren.....	U		U	U

**KINGLETS & GNATCATCHERS**

___ Golden-crowned Kinglet.....	C		C	U
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet .....	C		C	O
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*.....	C	C	O	R

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___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker.....	U		U	O
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___ Hairy Woodpecker*.....	U	U	U	U
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