



Birds of Chau Ram County Park



Pileated Woodpecker
Dryocopus pileatus
repetitive, monkey-like clucks

Whether perched in a tree, wading in the water, or flying overhead, there are many bird species to observe at Chau Ram County Park. Use this brochure to learn about the birds that call this place home and see how many you can find on your hike!

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Field Marks

In addition to size, shape, location, call, and behavior, field marks can be used to help identify birds. If you can't identify a bird on your hike, remembering what certain parts of the bird looked like can help you identify it when you get home. On your birding adventure, try to find a bird you don't know and make notes of any identifying field marks:

wing bars
Does the bird have bars or patches of color on the wing?

side
What color are the bird's sides?

nape
Is the back of the neck another color?

crown
Does the bird have a crest or different color on top of the head?

beak or bill
What shape and color is the beak?

eye features
What colors are around the eye?

throat
Is the bird's throat a different color?

breast
Are there any spots or coloration on the chest?

belly
What color is the bird's belly?

tail markings
Is the tail tip a different color, such as white?

tail bars
Are there any stripes across the bird's tail?

Blue Jay
Cyanocitta cristata
series of whines and "jeers," often mimic other calls



What kind of bird is that?

When identifying birds, start by observing their location and behavior. Is the bird up high making noise? Is it on the ground digging in leaves? Or is it in the water swimming?

Next, observe its appearance. Is it big like a raven or small like a chickadee? Does it have pointy wings or a long tail? What color is it, and what types of markings does it have?

The answers to these questions can help you identify the birds you observe at Chau Ram County Park!

Check off the birds you find on your hike today!

Carolina Wren
Thryothorus ludovicianus
Loud, rhythmic "teakettle, teakettle, teakettle"



Turkey Vulture
Cathartes aura
low, guttural hiss



American Robin
Turdus migratorius
whistles a string of "cheerily, cheer up, cheer up"



Downy Woodpecker
Dryobates pubescens
high pitched "pik, pik, pik"



Eastern Towhee
Pipilo erythrophthalmus
shrill "drink-your-teeee" or nasally "tow-hee, tow-hee"



Mourning Dove
Zenaida macroura
loud whistles or a "coo-oo-oo"



Carolina Chickadee
Poecile carolinensis
rapid "chickadee-dee-dee"



Red-Tailed Hawk
Buteo jamaicensis
raspy "keee-arr" scream



Northern Cardinal
Cardinalis cardinalis
lazer-like "cheer, cheer, cheer" or "purty-purty-purty"



Dark-eyed Junco
Junco hyemalis
series of rhythmic whistles, trills, and warbles



Northern Mockingbird
Mimus polyglottos
various notes of "krrDEE krrDEE" or "chew, chew, chew"



American Crow
Corvus brachyrhynchos
series of loud, harsh caws or a mixture of coos, caws, and clicks



American Goldfinch
Spinus tristis
series of squeaky warbles, can sound like "tee-yee"

