

Pileated Woodpecker *Dryocopus pileatus*

Characteristics

The pileated woodpecker is about 15 inches in length and is one of the largest woodpeckers found in North America. It has a black body, a red crest, and white stripes on its neck. In flight shows pale bases to primaries on upperwing and entirely white underwing coverlet..

ADULT MALE: Red forehead & Red malar area.

ADULT FEMALE: Black forehead & Black malar stripe.

Habitat

The pileated woodpecker lives in mature deciduous, coniferous, or mixed forests; second growth woodlands with some large trees; wooded residential areas. Prefers woodlands near streams and rivers. Presence of large, dead trees is a habitat requirement.

Food

The pileated woodpecker eats insects, fruits and nuts. A large part of its diet is made up of carpenter ants and beetle larvae. It uses its sharp bill to pull bark off trees and expose ant colonies. It uses its long tongue to poke into holes and drag out ants.

Reproduction

The pileated woodpecker makes its nest in a tree cavity. The female lays four eggs. Both parents incubate the eggs during the day and the male incubates the eggs at night. The chicks hatch after a little more than two weeks and fledged when they are about a month old.

JELKS PRESERVE BIRD LIST (continued)

| SPECIES | ✓ | KEY | J | F | M | A | M | J | J | A | S | O | N | D |
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| Common Grackle * | | R | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Boat-tailed Grackle | | R | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | | 4 | | 4 | | | 3 | |
| Bachman's Sparrow | | RV | | | | | | | | | | 4 | | |
| American Goldfinch | | RV | | | | | | | | | | 4 | | |

Birds of the Jelks Preserve is a handy reference guide for birders and visitors to this Sarasota County preserve.

The bird guide is the result of a weekly census conducted by the members of the Venice Area Audubon Society in 2001 & 2002. The one year census determined that 83 bird species were located on the preserve. See something new? Please let us know by e-mail or phone, or call the Venice Area Audubon Society Birding Hotline: 493-9476.

The Jelks Preserve provides the birder an opportunity to observe the most species during migrations. (September through November, and March through May).

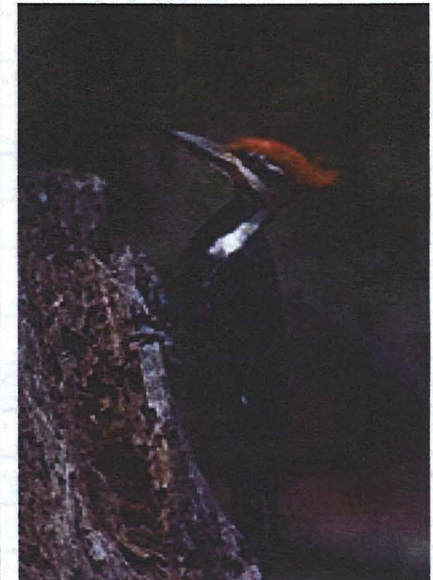
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JELKS PRESERVE BIRD LIST

KEY

R - resident
M - migrant
RV - resident visitor
OHV - overhead visitor
* - denotes nests in season

1 - Abundant (always seen)
2 - Common (usually seen)
3 - Uncommon (sometimes seen)
4 - Rare (seldom seen)

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| Brown Pelican | | OHV | | | | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Double-crested Cormorant | | OHV | | 4 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Great Egret | | RV | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Great Blue Heron | | RV | 3 | | | | | | | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Little Blue Heron | | RV | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | 3 | | 3 | | |
| Tri-colored Heron | | RV | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Snowy Egret | | RV | | | | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| Green Heron | | RV | | | | | | | | | | 3 | | |
| Black-crowned Night Heron | | OHV | | | | | | | 3 | | | | 3 | |
| White Ibis | | OHV | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | | 3 | | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Wood Stork | | OHV | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Wood Duck | | OHV | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Mottled Duck | | OHV | | 3 | | | | | | | | | 3 | |
| Black Vulture | | RV | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Turkey Vulture | | OHV | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Red-shouldered Hawk | | RV | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Red-tailed Hawk | | OHV | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| American Kestrel | | RV | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk | | OHV | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | 3 | 3 |
| Cooper's Hawk | | OHV | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | 3 | 3 |
| American Swallow-tail Kite | | OHV | | | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | |
| Osprey * | | R | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | 3 | 3 | 3 | | 3 |
| Northern Bobwhite * | | R | | | | 3 | | | | 3 | 3 | | | |

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| Sandhill Crane | | OHV | 3 | | | 3 | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Laughing Gull | | OHV | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | | | 3 | | | | 2 | 2 |
| Ring-billed Gull | | OHV | 3 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Greater Yellowlegs | | RV | | | | | | | | | | | | 4 |
| Killdeer | | OHV | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | | 3 | 3 |
| Mourning Dove * | | R | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Common Ground Dove * | | R | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | |
| Eurasian Collared Dove * | | R | | 4 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Screech Owl * | | R | | | | | | | | | 4 | | | |
| Barred Owl * | | R | | | | | | | | | 4 | | | |
| Chimney Swift | | OHV | | | | | | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | |
| Belted Kingfisher | | RV | 4 | | | | | | | | 4 | | | 3 |
| Red-bellied Woodpecker * | | R | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Downey Woodpecker * | | R | | | | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | |
| Hairy Woodpecker | | R | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | |
| Northern Flicker * | | R | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Pileated Woodpecker * | | R | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Eastern Phoebe | | RV | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | 2 | 2 |
| Great Crested Flycatcher * | | RV | | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | | | | | |
| Tree Swallow | | OHV | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Barn Swallow | | OHV | | | | | | | | | 4 | | | |
| Purple Martin | | OHV | | | | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | |
| Blue Jay * | | R | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| American Crow * | | R | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Fish Crow | | OHV | | | 3 | | | | | 3 | | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Tufted Titmouse * | | R | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | |
| Carolina Wren * | | R | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| House Wren | | RV | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | | 3 | 3 |

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| Ruby-crowned Kinglet | | RV | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Blue-gray Gnatcatcher * | | R | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| American Robin | | RV | 1 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Eastern Bluebird | | RV | | | 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Gray Catbird | | RV | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Northern Mockingbird * | | R | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Loggerhead Shrike | | RV | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cedar Waxwing | | RV | 2 | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Brown Thrasher | | R | | | | | | | | | | | 3 | |
| Blue-headed Vireo | | RV | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Yellow-throated | | RV | | | | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| White-eyed Vireo * | | R | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Red-eyed Vireo | | M | | | | | | | | | 4 | 4 | | |
| Pine Warbler * | | R | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | 3 |
| Palm Warbler | | RV | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | 2 | 2 |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler | | RV | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Yellow-throated Warbler | | RV | 4 | | | 4 | | | | | | 4 | 4 | |
| American Redstart | | M | | | | 4 | | | | | | | 4 | |
| Worm-eating Warbler | | M | | | | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Northern Parula * | | RV | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | | | |
| Prairie Warbler | | RV | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | 4 |
| Northern Water- | | M | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | |
| Ovenbird | | M | | 4 | | | | | | | | | 4 | |
| Common Yellowthroat * | | R | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Indigo Bunting | | M | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | |
| Eastern Towhee * | | R | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Northern Cardinal * | | R | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Red-winged Black- | | R | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | 3 | | | 2 | 2 |