

Birds of Grandfather Mountain

List compiled with data from yearly Spring Bird Counts, FeederWatch records, Breeding Bird Surveys, and publicly available eBird checklists.

Darker shading implies relatively higher abundance of the species.

*Asterisks imply a species that specializes in our higher elevation habitats.

Italics imply a less commonly observed species.

This list is meant to serve as a general guide for the most likely birds you may see on the mountain, and when you'd have the best chance of doing so. This list is always expanding and changing as we learn more about the wonders of our unique ecosystems.

Species	Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall
Vultures/Hawks/Eagles/Falcons				
Bald Eagle				
Turkey Vulture				
Black Vulture				
Sharp-shinned Hawk				
Cooper's Hawk				
Broad-winged Hawk				
Red-shouldered Hawk				
Red-tailed Hawk				
Osprey				
Golden Eagle				
Northern Harrier				
Peregrine Falcon				
American Kestrel				
Merlin				
Grouse/Turkey				
*Ruffed Grouse				
Northern Bobwhite				
Wild Turkey				
Doves/Cuckoos				
American Woodcock				
<i>Black-billed Cuckoo</i>				
Yellow-billed Cuckoo				
Mourning Dove				
Owls				
Great-horned Owl				
Barred Owl				
Eastern Screech Owl				
*Northern Saw-whet Owl				

Nightjars

Common Nighthawk					
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Swifts/Hummingbirds/Kingfishers

Chimney Swift					
Ruby-throated Hummingbird					
Belted Kingfisher					

Woodpeckers

Red-bellied Woodpecker					
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker					
Downy Woodpecker					
Hairy Woodpecker					
Pileated Woodpecker					
Northern Flicker					

Flycatchers

Eastern Wood Peewee					
<i>Alder Flycatcher</i>					
Eastern Phoebe					
Least Flycatcher					
Acadian Flycatcher					
<i>Great Crested Flycatcher</i>					
<i>Eastern Kingbird</i>					

Vireos

Blue-headed Vireo					
Red-eyed Vireo					
<i>White-eyed Vireo</i>					
Yellow-throated Vireo					
<i>Warbling Vireo</i>					

Corvids

Blue Jay					
American Crow					
Common Raven					

Chickadees/Titmice

Carolina Chickadee					
*Black-capped Chickadee					
Tufted Titmouse					

Swallows

Tree Swallow					
Barn Swallow					
Northern Rough-winged Swallow					

Nuthatches/Creepers

Red-breasted Nuthatch					
White-breasted Nuthatch					
*Brown Creeper					

Gnatcatchers

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher					
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Wrens

Carolina Wren				
House Wren				
*Winter Wren				

Kinglets

*Ruby-crowned Kinglet				
Golden-crowned Kinglet				

Thrushes

Eastern Bluebird				
Veery				
*Hermit Thrush				
Wood Thrush				
American Robin				
<i>Gray-cheeked Thrush</i>				
<i>Swainson's Thrush</i>				

Mimids

Gray Catbird				
Northern Mockingbird				
Brown Thrasher				

Starlings

European Starling				
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Waxwings

Cedar Waxwing				
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Wood-Warblers

Ovenbird				
Worm-eating Warbler				
Louisiana Waterthrush				
<i>Northern Waterthrush</i>				
<i>Blue-winged Warbler</i>				
Black-and-white Warbler				
Swainson's Warbler				
Tennessee Warbler				
Nashville Warbler				
Common Yellowthroat				
<i>Kentucky Warbler</i>				
Hooded warbler				
American Redstart				
Cape May Warbler				
Cerulean Warbler				
Northern Parula				
*Magnolia Warbler				
<i>Bay-breasted Warbler</i>				
Blackburnian Warbler				
Yellow Warbler				
*Chestnut-sided Warbler				
Blackpoll Warbler				
Black-throated Blue Warbler				

	Palm Warbler				
	Pine Warbler				
	Yellow-rumped Warbler				
	<i>Yellow-throated Warbler</i>				
	Prairie Warbler				
	Black-throated Green Warbler				
	Canada Warbler				

New World Sparrows

	Eastern Towhee				
	Chipping Sparrow				
	Field Sparrow				
	Song Sparrow				
	Dark-eyed Junco				
	Fox Sparrow				
	White-throated Sparrow				

Cardinals, Grosbeaks, and Allies

	Northern Cardinal				
	Rose-breasted Grosbeak				
	Blue Grosbeak				
	Scarlet Tanager				
	Indigo Bunting				

Blackbirds

	Red-winged Blackbird				
	<i>Common Grackle</i>				
	<i>Brown-headed Cowbird</i>				
	<i>Bobolink</i>				

Finches and Allies

	House Finch				
	Purple Finch				
	*Red Crossbill				
	*White-winged Crossbill				
	Pine Siskin				
	American Goldfinch				
	Evening Grosbeak				

Old World Sparrows

	House Sparrow				
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Waterfowl/Shorebirds

	Canada Goose				
	Wood Duck				
	Greater Scaup				
	Pied-billed Grebe				
	Mallard				
	Solitary Sandpiper				
	Killdeer				
	Bufflehead				
	Hooded Merganser				
	Great Blue Heron				