Certain areas of the park have proven to be better for finding different species of birds.

Trout Lake itself usually has a large number of Mallard and wigeon, with a few other species of ducks, plus American Coots and Pied-billed Grebes from October through April. During the same time period many gulls use the lake for bathing and drinking first thing in the morning. This park has proven notable for being one of the most reliable locations for finding California and Western Gulls during this period.

Breeding birds of Trout Lake

In spring and summer many bird species are know to breed in the park. Mallards, Red-winged Blackbirds and Song Sparrows nest in the reeds, shrubs and swampy areas around the lake edge. Woodpeckers build nests in cavities they bore in trees. Blackcapped Chickadees and Tree Swallows also nest in tree cavities as well as nest boxes. Anna's Hummingbirds, Cedar Waxwings, American Robins, Bushtits, Warbling Vireos and other songbirds build nests in the trees and shrubs around the park. Cooper's Hawks also nest in the area, and can be seen hunting their prey through the trees. During this time the birds are especially sensitive to disturbance: please keep dogs leashed in the offleash areas.







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BIRDWATCHING IN JOHN HENDRY PARK (Trout Lake)



John Hendry Park is a 27 hectare park located in the heart of East Vancouver. Commonly known as Trout Lake, after the body of water in the centre of the park, the park itself is named after the owner of one of Vancouver's first lumber mills.

Easily accessed from Commercial Drive, Nanaimo St, or East 12th Ave, it is a popular location for birders and nature-lovers alike. The park is also home to the Trout Lake Community Centre which provides many services to the local community. Over 135 bird species have been observed at Trout Lake, including seven of conservation concern. The highest diversity of birds occurs during spring and fall migration, however winter is also good for birdwatching as many species of waterfowl spend the season there.

Species	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec
Greater White-fronted Goose	
Snow Goose	
Cackling Goose	
Canada Goose	
Trumpeter Swan	• • • •
Wood Duck	
Gadwall	
Eurasian Wigeon	
American Wigeon	
Mallard	
Blue-winged Teal	
Northern Shoveler	
Northern Pintail	The state of the s
Green-winged Teal	and the last of th
Ring-necked Duck	The second secon
Lesser Scaup	
Bufflehead Common Goldeneve	
Common Goldeneye	
Hooded Merganser	
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Ruddy Duck Pied-billed Grebe	
Double-crested Cormorant	
Great Blue Heron	404 Highester 1 - 4444
Green Heron	Programme 1
Turkey Vulture	The second second second
Osprey	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	
Cooper's Hawk	The state of the s
Bald Eagle	
Red-tailed Hawk	
Virginia Rail	
American Coot	_
Killdeer	Hart Control
Spotted Sandpiper	
Greater Yellowlegs	
Lesser Yellowlegs	
Long-billed Dowitcher	•
Wilson's Snipe	
Mew Gull	
Ring-billed Gull	
Western Gull	
California Gull	
Herring Gull	
Thayer's Gull	
Glaucous-winged Gull	
Rock Pigeon	
Band-tailed Pigeon	_
Eurasian Collared-Dove	
Barred Owl	
Black Swift Anna's Hummingbird	distribution of the last of
Rufous Hummingbird	
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Belted Kingfisher	
Red-breasted Sapsucker	
Downy Woodpecker	
Northern Flicker	

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Species	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec		
American Kestrel			
Merlin			
Peregrine Falcon			
Olive-sided Flycatcher			
Western Wood-Pewee			
Willow Flycatcher			
Hammond's Flycatcher			
Pacific-slope Flycatcher			
Warbling Vireo			
Steller's Jay			
Northwestern Crow			
Common Raven			
Horned Lark			
N. Rough-winged Swallow			
Tree Swallow Violet-green Swallow			
Barn Swallow Cliff Swallow	- 1		
Black-capped Chickadee			
Bushtit			
Red-breasted Nuthatch			
Brown Creeper			
Pacific Wren			
Golden-crowned Kinglet			
Ruby-crowned Kinglet			
Swainson's Thrush	1 - 1		
Hermit Thrush	1 1 H H H		
American Robin			
Varied Thrush			
European Starling			
American Pipit			
Cedar Waxwing			
Orange-crowned Warbler			
MacGillivray's Warbler			
Common Yellowthroat			
Yellow Warbler			
Yellow-rumped Warbler			
Black-throated Gray Warbler			
Townsend's Warbler	<u>.</u>		
Wilson's Warbler	14 (24)		
Fox Sparrow			
Dark-eyed Junco			
White-crowned Sparrow			
Golden-crowned Sparrow	married allegal		
White-throated Sparrow			
Savannah Sparrow	1 100-1 100-1		
Song Sparrow			
Lincoln's Sparrow	100		
Spotted Towhee			
Western Tanager			
Black-headed Grosbeak			
Red-winged Blackbird			
Brewer's Blackbird	-		
Brown-headed Cowbird			
House Finch			
Purple Finch			
Common Redpoll	• •		

Species	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug	Sep Oct Nov Ded
Pine Siskin		
American Goldfinch		
Evening Grosbeak	•	
House Sparrow		

Rare species which have been recorded at Trout Lake but are not expected to be seen with any regularity:

Barrow's Goldeneye, Red-throated Loon, Red-necked Grebe, Pelagic Cormorant, Solitary Sandpiper, Least Sandpiper, Bonaparte's Gull, Caspian Tern, Common Nighthawk, Vaux's Swift, Hutton's Vireo, Purple Martin, Bank Swallow, Marsh Wren, Lapland Longspur, American Redstart, American Tree Sparrow, Western Meadowlark, Yellow-headed Blackbird, Bullock's Oriole, Pine Grosbeak, Red Crossbill.

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Birds of Conservation Concern

A number of these species are of conservation concern provincially or federally. These are:

Great Blue Heron
Cackling Goose
Green Heron
Peregrine Falcon
Barn Swallow
California Gull
Band-tailed Pigeon
Double-crested Cormorant



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