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.

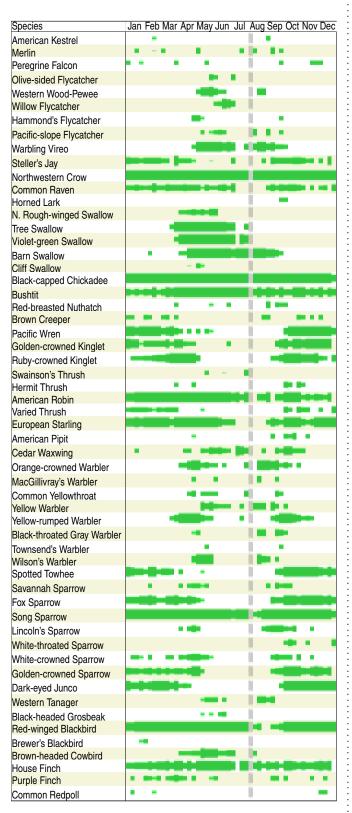
## BIRDWATCHING IN JOHN HENDRY PARK (Trout Lake)



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 De
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		1 P
Green-winged Teal		
Ring-necked Duck		
Lesser Scaup		
Bufflehead		-
Common Goldeneye		
Hooded Merganser		
Common Merganser		
Ruddy Duck		
Pied-billed Grebe		
Double-crested Cormorant		
Great Blue Heron		
Green Heron	-	
Turkey Vulture		-
Osprey		1.00
Sharp-shinned Hawk		
Cooper's Hawk	A TOTAL DESIGNATION OF	I toller per 11
Bald Eagle		
Red-tailed Hawk		
Virginia Rail		
American Coot		
Killdeer		
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		
Rufous Hummingbird		
Belted Kingfisher		
Red-breasted Sapsucker	•	
Downy Woodpecker		
Northern Flicker		



Species	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul A	ug Sep Oct Nov Dec
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, 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