

STATUS IN THE PRESERVE

+ Known to breed in the preserve

* Postulated breeding species, unconfirmed

BOLD Species listed Endangered, Threatened or**Special Concern**

The likelihood of observing any particular species is dependent upon being in the proper habitat during the appropriate season.

GREBES

_____ Pied-billed Grebe

PELICANS

_____ American White Pelican

_____ Brown Pelican

CORMORANTS/DARTERS

_____ Double-crested Cormorant

_____ Anhinga +

HERONS, EGRETS and BITTERNS

_____ American Bittern

_____ Least Bittern

_____ Great Blue Heron +

_____ Great Egret +

_____ Snowy Egret +

_____ Tricolored Heron +

_____ Little Blue Heron +

_____ Cattle Egret +

_____ Green Heron +

_____ Black-crowned Night-Heron +

_____ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron *

IBISES/SPOONBILLS/STORKS

_____ White Ibis *

_____ Glossy Ibis

_____ Roseate Spoonbill

_____ Wood Stork *

DUCKS

_____ Wood Duck R

_____ + Mottled Duck

_____ Blue-winged Teal

_____ Hooded Merganser

_____ Black duck

_____ Gadwall

_____ Pintail

_____ Widgeon

_____ Northern shoveler

_____ Ring-necked

_____ Greater Scaup

_____ Lesser Scaup

_____ Common Goldeneye

NEW WORLD VULTURES

_____ Turkey Vulture +

_____ Black Vulture +

HAWKS and ALLIES

_____ Northern Harrier

_____ Sharp-shinned Hawk

_____ Cooper's Hawk

_____ Red-shouldered Hawk +

_____ Broad-winged Hawk

_____ Short-tailed Hawk

_____ Red-tailed Hawk +

Bald Eagle

_____ Osprey

_____ Merlin

_____ American Kestrel

Peregrine Falcon**RAILS, GALLINULES and COOTS**

_____ Common Moorhen +

_____ American Coot

_____ King Rail +

_____ Virginia Rail

_____ Sora

LIMPKINS/CRANES

_____ Limpkin*

_____ Sandhill Crane

PLOVERS/STILTS

_____ Killdeer +

_____ Black-necked Stilt +

SANDPIPERS

_____ Greater Yellowlegs

_____ Lesser Yellowlegs

_____ Solitary Sandpiper

_____ Spotted Sandpiper

_____ Upland Sandpiper

_____ Semipalmated Sandpiper

_____ Least Sandpiper

_____ Long-billed Dowitcher

_____ Wilson's Snipe

GULLS and TERNS

_____ Laughing Gull

_____ Herring Gull

_____ Ringbill Gull

_____ Bonaparte Gull

_____ Forster's Tern

_____ Common Tern

_____ Least Tern

_____ Caspian Tern

_____ Royal Tern

_____ Black skimmer Tern

PIGEONS and DOVES

_____ Mourning Dove +

_____ Eurasian Collared-Dove +

_____ Common Ground-Dove +

_____ Rock Pigeon

OWLS

_____ Barn Owl +

_____ Short-eared Owl

_____ Barred Owl +

_____ Eastern Screech-Owl *

NIGHTHAWKS and NIGHTJARS

_____ Chuck-will's-widow

_____ Whip-poor-will

_____ Common Nighthawk +

SWIFTS

_____ Chimney Swift

HUMMINGBIRDS

_____ Ruby-throated Hummingbird

KINGFISHERS

_____ Belted Kingfisher

WOODPECKERS

_____ Red-headed Woodpecker+

_____ Red-bellied Woodpecker+

_____ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

_____ Downy Woodpecker+

_____ Pileated Woodpecker+

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

_____ Eastern Wood-pewee

_____ Acadian Flycatcher

_____ Willow Flycatcher

_____ Eastern Phoebe

_____ Eastern Kingbird +

_____ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

SHRIKES/VIREOS

_____ Loggerhead Shrike +

_____ Red-eyed Vireo *

_____ White-eyed Vireo +

_____ Yellow-throated Vireo

CROWS and JAYS

_____ Blue Jay +

_____ American Crow +

_____ Fish crow

SWALLOWS and MARTINS

_____ Purple Martin

_____ N. Rough-winged swallow

_____ Bank Swallow

_____ Tree Swallow

_____ Cliff Swallow

_____ Barn Swallow

TITMICE/WRENS

_____ *Tufted Titmouse

_____ + Carolina Wren

_____ House Wren

KINGLETS/GNATCATCHERS

_____ Ruby-crowned Kinglet

_____ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher +

THRUSHES

_____ Eastern Bluebird

_____ American Robin

_____ Veery

_____ Swainson's Thrush

_____ Gray-cheeked Thrush

_____ Hermit Thrush

MOCKINGBIRDS and THRASHERS

_____ Northern Mockingbird +

_____ Brown Thrasher +

STARLINGS

_____ European Starling

WAXWINGS

_____ Cedar Waxwing

WOOD-WARBLERS

_____ Northern Parula +

_____ Orange-crowned Warbler

_____ Blue-winged Warbler

_____ Yellow Warbler

_____ Magnolia Warbler

_____ Cape May Warbler

_____ Black-throated Blue Warbler

_____ Blackburnian Warbler

_____ Yellow-rumped Warbler

_____ Prairie Warbler

_____ Palm Warbler

_____ Pine Warbler

_____ Blackpoll Warbler

_____ Yellow-throated Warbler

_____ Worm-eating Warbler

_____ Prothonotary Warbler

_____ Black-and-white Warbler

_____ American Redstart

_____ Ovenbird

_____ Northern Waterthrush

_____ Kentucky Warbler

_____ Common Yellowthroat +

_____ Hooded Warbler

CARDINALS and ALLIES

_____ Northern Cardinal +

_____ Indigo Bunting

_____ Painted Bunting

NEW WORLD SPARROWS

_____ Eastern Towhee+

_____ Chipping Sparrow

_____ LeConte's Sparrow

_____ Savannah Sparrow

_____ Vesper Sparrow

_____ Swamp Sparrow

BLACKBIRDS and ALLIES

_____ Eastern Meadowlark +

_____ Brown-headed Cowbird *

_____ Shiny Cowbird

_____ Red-winged Blackbird +

_____ Common Grackle +

_____ Boat-tailed Grackle +

FINCHES

_____ American Goldfinch

_____ House Sparrow

ACCIDENTALS

Ulumay Wildlife Sanctuary Park is roughly 460 acres; the Sanctuary is a much larger area that includes nearly 1300 acres inside a mosquito control impoundment. It offers a wilderness escape in an urban environment and is a significant natural resource recognized internationally among Audubon birdwatchers.

Johnnie Johnson of the Indian River Audubon Society created "Birds of the Sykes Creek Area", a list of 206 observed species based on reports of sightings in the east Merritt Island area from New Found Harbor to the NASA property line during the period 1952 through 1972. Sixty-six additional species have also been included.

Help us learn more about the birdlife in the sanctuary. The Friends of Ulumay have compiled this checklist for use by visitors to Ulumay Wildlife Sanctuary Park and it should be considered a work-in-progress. Our hopes are to compile a database of area sightings over the next twenty years and make a fifty-year comparison.

Please report your sightings, especially those of previously undocumented species and unusual seasonal occurrences.

Historically documented as a village of the Ais Indians who disappeared around 1720, **Ulumay** is a natural lagoon and bird rookery linked by canals created for mosquito control and surrounded by a manmade dike. A trail on the dike provides access to the waterways for the fisherman, birdwatchers, and paddlers. A **bird watching tower** offers a scenic overlook of the lagoon. Projecting into Sykes Creek at the southwest corner of the park is a **fishing pier** commonly known as the old Humpbacked Bridge.

Take a walk along the dike of the lagoon; to the west (left) is the tower and about a mile of trail. To the east is a shorter trail that partially circles a pond. Both trails continue as tracks through dense undergrowth, offering little view of the marsh and creek.

Be aware of the occasional alligator!

Mating season for alligators occurs from mid-April through May, and the female guards the nest and young for over six months. While alligator dormant season is October through April; visitors are advised to be cautious year-round.

There are no bathroom facilities, and you'll want to take water and wear a hat.

Paddlers may follow the marked trail along the west dike; launch on the north side of the trail just west of the pump house.

Please report any unusual or rare birds. Include specifics regarding the sighting area. Sightings are often verified and directions are necessary. Your name and personal data are NOT published but you may be contacted if additional information is needed about your sighting(s).

<http://www.indianriveraudubon.org/>

Florida rare bird alert hotline (941) 242-9338

This checklist is compiled from public observations within **Ulumay Wildlife Sanctuary Park**. As the sanctuary is large and difficult to explore completely, we welcome the opportunity to provide information on up-to-date locations for various species. We have volunteers who may be available to guide you or your group on your visit.

We also invite interested individuals and groups to join us and assist with bird related projects within the sanctuary.

Contact the *Friends of Ulumay* at www.ulumay.org for additional information.

Ulumay Wildlife Sanctuary Park
Old Audubon Road at Sykes Creek Parkway
Merritt Island, Florida

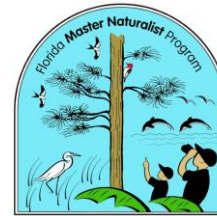
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Wood Stork
Mycteria americana

Birders should note this order differs from that of the currently accepted phylogenetic order found in the American Ornithologists' Union's Check-list.

As we rely heavily upon public birders who seem to have adopted Sibley as their field guides, the Taxonomy for this list follows The Sibley Guide to Birds by David Allen Sibley, 1st edition, sixth printing September 2001.



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Bird Checklist **for Ulumay Wildlife** **Sanctuary Park**

Old Audubon Road
at Sykes Creek Parkway
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