

Checklist of bird species found along the Chessie Trail

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Year-Round Birds

- ✓ American Crow
- ✓ American Goldfinch
- ✓ American Robin
- ✓ Belted Kingfisher
- ✓ Blue Jay
- ✓ Carolina Chickadee
- ✓ Carolina Wren
- ✓ Cedar Waxwings
- ✓ Common Grackle
- ✓ Common Raven
- ✓ Downy Woodpecker
- ✓ Eastern Bluebird
- ✓ Eastern Phoebe
- ✓ Field Sparrow
- ✓ Fish Crow
- ✓ Great Blue Heron
- ✓ Green Heron
- ✓ Hairy Woodpecker
- ✓ House Finch
- ✓ Mallard
- ✓ Mourning Dove
- ✓ Northern Cardinal
- ✓ Northern Flicker
- ✓ Northern Mockingbird
- ✓ Pileated Woodpecker
- ✓ Red-bellied Woodpecker
- ✓ Red-shouldered Hawk
- ✓ Song Sparrow
- ✓ Tufted Titmouse
- ✓ Turkey Vulture
- ✓ White-breasted Nuthatch
- ✓ Yellow-rumped Warbler

Seen During Breeding Season

- ✓ American Redstart
- ✓ Black-throated Blue Warbler
- ✓ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
- ✓ Brown Thrasher
- ✓ Chimney Swift
- ✓ Common Yellowthroat
- ✓ Gray Catbird
- ✓ Indigo Bunting
- ✓ Northern Waterthrush
- ✓ Ovenbird
- ✓ Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- ✓ Yellow-billed Cuckoo
- ✓ Yellow-throated Vireo

Seen During Migration

- ✓ Cape May Warbler
- ✓ Magnolia Warbler
- ✓ Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- ✓ Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- ✓ Swainson's Thrush
- ✓ Tennessee Warbler
- ✓ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

Checklist of plants found along the Chessie Trail

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Native plants

- ✓ Alternate-leaved Dogwood (*Cornus alternifolia*)
- ✓ Alumroot (*Heuchera americana*)
- ✓ Ash-leaf Maple (*Acer negundo*)
- ✓ Black Cohosh (*Cimicifuga racemosa*)
- ✓ Blackhaw (*Viburnum prunifolium*)
- ✓ Bladdernut (*Staphylea triloba*)
- ✓ Bloodroot (*Sanguinaria canadensis*)
- ✓ Bottlebrush Grass (*Hystrix patula*)
- ✓ Bush Honeysuckle (*Diervilla lonicera*)
- ✓ Christmas Fern (*Polystichum acrostichoides*)
- ✓ Cleavers/Bedstraw (*Galium aparine*)
- ✓ Columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*)
- ✓ Common Blue Wood Aster (*Symphyotrichum cordifolium*)
- ✓ Dutchman's Breeches (*Dicentra cucullaria*)
- ✓ Ebony Spleenwort (*Asplenium platyneuron*)
- ✓ False Solomon's Seal (*Smilacina racemosa*)
- ✓ Fire Pink (*Silene virginicum*)
- ✓ Fleabane (*erigeron annuus*)
- ✓ Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*)
- ✓ Flowering Raspberry (*Rubus odorata*)
- ✓ Flowering Spurge (*Euphorbia corollata*)
- ✓ Golden Alexanders (*Zizia aurea*)
- ✓ Golden Ragwort (*Senecio aureus*)
- ✓ Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*)
- ✓ Harbinger-of-Spring (*Erigenia bulbosa*)
- ✓ Hearts A-Bustin' (*Euonymus americana*)
- ✓ Horsetail (*Equisetum hyemale*)
- ✓ Jack-in-the-Pulpit (*Arisaema triphyllum*)
- ✓ Jacob's Ladder (*Polemonium reptans*)
- ✓ Jewelweed (*Impatiens capensis*)
- ✓ Kidneyleaf Buttercup (*Ranunculus abortivus*)
- ✓ Large Bellwort (*Uvularia grandiflorum*)
- ✓ Large-flowered Trillium (*Trillium grandiflorum*)
- ✓ Liverwort (*Hepatica acutiloba*)
- ✓ Maidenhair (*Adiantum pedatum*)
- ✓ May Apple (*Podophyllum peltatum*)
- ✓ Meadow Rue (*Thalictrum dioicum*)
- ✓ Miami Mist (*Phacelia purshii*)
- ✓ Pawpaw (*Asimina triloba*)
- ✓ Pin Cherry (*Prunus pensylvanica*)
- ✓ Poke (*Phytolacca americana*)
- ✓ Pussytoes (*Antennaria neglecta*)
- ✓ Rattlesnake Fern (*Botrychium virginianum*)
- ✓ Rattlesnakeroot (*Prenanthes spp*)
- ✓ Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*)
- ✓ Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)
- ✓ Rue Anemone (*Anemonella thalictroides*)
- ✓ Showy Orchis (*Orchis spectabilis*)
- ✓ Fringed Loosestrife (*Lysimachia ciliata*)
- ✓ Sicklepod (*Arabis canadensis*)
- ✓ Silver Maple (*Acer saccharinum*)
- ✓ Solomon's Seal (*Polygonatum biflorum*)
- ✓ Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*)
- ✓ Spring Beauty (*Claytonia virginica*)
- ✓ Starweed (*Stellaria media*)
- ✓ Stonecrop (*Sedum ternate*)
- ✓ Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*)
- ✓ Sweet Cecily (*Osmorhiza claytoni*)
- ✓ Sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*)
- ✓ Thimbleweed (*Anemone virginiana*)
- ✓ Toad Shade (*Trillium sessile*)
- ✓ Toothwort (*Dentaria laciniata*)
- ✓ Tulip Poplar (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)
- ✓ Twinleaf (*Jeffersonia diphylla*)
- ✓ Virginia Knotweed (*Tovara virginiana*)
- ✓ Violet, Common Blue (*Viola papilionacea*)
- ✓ Violet, Downy (*Viola pubescens*)
- ✓ Virginia Bluebell (*Mertensia virginica*)
- ✓ Virginia Creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefoila*)
- ✓ Virgin's Bower (*Clematis virginiana*)
- ✓ Violet, Sweet white (*Viola blanda*)
- ✓ Walking Fern (*Camptosorus rhizophyllus*)
- ✓ Waterleaf (*Hydrophyllum virginianum*)
- ✓ White Wood Aster (*Eurybia divericata*)
- ✓ White-Flowered Leafcup (*Polymnia canadensis*)

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- ✓ Wild Cucumber (*Echinocystis lobata*)
- ✓ Wild Geranium (*Geranium maculatum*)
- ✓ Wild Ginger (*Asarum canadense*)
- ✓ Wild Hydrangea (*Hydrangea arborescens*)
- ✓ Wild Phlox (*Phlox divericata*)
- ✓ Wood Aster (*Aster divericata*)
- ✓ Yarrow (*Achillea millefolia*)
- ✓ Yellow Fumewort (*Corydalis Flavula*)
- ✓ Yellow Pimpernel (*Taenidia integerrima*)

Alien Plants (*star indicates invasive species)

- ✓ *Autumn Olive (*Eleagnus umbellata*)
- ✓ *Brome, Cheat Grass (*Bromus japonicas*)
- ✓ Celandine (*Chelidonium majus*)
- ✓ Cornsalad (*Valarianella olitoria*)
- ✓ *Crown-Vetch (*Coronilla varia*)
- ✓ Dame's Rocket (*Hesperis matronalis*)
- ✓ Field Pepperwood (*Lepidium campestre*)
- ✓ *Golden Bamboo (*Phyllostachys aurea*)
- ✓ Bladder Champion (*Silene cucubalis*)
- ✓ *Garlic Mustard (*Alliara officinalis*)
- ✓ *Henbit/Deadnettle (*Lamium amplexicaule/purpurea*)
- ✓ *Japanese Honeysuckle (*Lonicera japonica*)
- ✓ *Japanese Stilt Grass (*Microstegium vimineum*)
- ✓ *Mile-a-Minute Weed (*Polygonum perfoliatum*)
- ✓ *Morrow's Honeysuckle (*Lonicera morrowii*)
- ✓ Mullein (*Verbascum thapsus*)
- ✓ *Multiflora Rose (*Rosa multiflora*)
- ✓ *Paradise Tree (*Ailanthus altissimus*)
- ✓ *Periwinkle (*Vinca minor*)
- ✓ *Poison Hemlock (*Conium maculatum*)