

Seasonal Status

PR - Permanent Resident
 SR - Summer Resident
 WR - Winter Resident
 T - Transient/Migratory

Abundance

ab - abundant
 co - common
 un - uncommon
 ra - rare

Grebes

___ Pied-billed Grebe

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Pelicans and Allies

___ American White Pelican
 ___ Double-crested Cormorant

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Herons and Allies

___ American Bittern
 ___ Great Blue Heron
 ___ Little Blue Heron
 ___ Cattle Egret
 ___ Green-backed Heron
 ___ Black-crowned Night-Heron

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Waterfowl

___ Snow Goose
 ___ Canada Goose
 ___ Wood Duck
 ___ Green-winged Teal
 ___ Mallard
 ___ Blue-winged Teal
 ___ Northern Shoveler
 ___ Gadwall
 ___ American Wigeon
 ___ Lesser Scaup

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Vultures, Hawks, and Falcons

___ Turkey Vulture
 ___ Osprey
 ___ Mississippi Kite
 ___ Bald Eagle
 ___ Northern Harrier
 ___ Sharp-shinned Hawk
 ___ Cooper's Hawk
 ___ Broad-winged Hawk
 ___ Swainson's Hawk
 ___ Red-tailed Hawk
 ___ Rough-legged Hawk
 ___ American Kestrel
 ___ Merlin
 ___ Prairie Falcon

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Gallinaceous Birds

___ Greater Prairie-Chicken
 ___ Northern Bobwhite
 ___ Wild Turkey

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Cranes and Allies

___ American Coot

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Shorebirds, Gulls, and Alcids

___ Black-bellied Plover
 ___ American Golden Plover
 ___ Killdeer
 ___ Spotted Sandpiper
 ___ Upland Sandpiper
 ___ Common Snipe
 ___ American Woodcock

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Pigeons and Doves

___ Rock Dove
 ___ Mourning Dove
 ___ Eurasian Collared Dove

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Cuckoos

___ Black-billed Cuckoo
 ___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo

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Owls

___ Barn Owl
 ___ Eastern Screech-Owl
 ___ Great Horned Owl
 ___ Barred Owl
 ___ Long-eared Owl
 ___ Short-eared Owl

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Goatsuckers

___ Common Nighthawk
 ___ Chuck-will's-widow
 ___ Whip-poor-will

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Swifts and Hummingbirds

___ Chimney Swift
 ___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird

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Kingfishers and Woodpeckers

___ Belted Kingfisher
 ___ Red-headed Woodpecker
 ___ Red-bellied Woodpecker
 ___ Downy Woodpecker
 ___ Hairy Woodpecker
 ___ Northern Flicker
 ___ Pileated Woodpecker

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Flycatchers, Kingbirds, Swallows

___ Eastern Wood-Pewee
 ___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
 ___ Acadian Flycatcher
 ___ Willow Flycatcher
 ___ Least Flycatcher
 ___ Eastern Phoebe
 ___ Great Crested Flycatcher
 ___ Western Kingbird
 ___ Eastern Kingbird
 ___ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
 ___ Horned Lark
 ___ Purple Martin
 ___ Tree Swallow
 ___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow
 ___ Bank Swallow
 ___ Cliff Swallow
 ___ Barn Swallow

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Jays, Crows, Wrens

___ Blue Jay
 ___ American Crow
 ___ Black-capped Chickadee
 ___ Carolina Chickadee
 ___ Tufted Titmouse
 ___ White-breasted Nuthatch
 ___ Brown Creeper
 ___ Carolina Wren
 ___ House Wren
 ___ Sedge Wren
 ___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

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Thrushes, Mimics, and Starlings

___ Eastern Bluebird	SS AS
___ Veery	PR un
___ Wood Thrush	T ra
___ American Robin	SR ra
___ Gray Catbird	PR co
___ Northern Mockingbird	SR co
___ Brown Thrasher	PR co
___ Cedar Waxwing	SR co
___ Loggerhead Shrike	PR un
___ European Starling	PR ra
	PR ab

Vireos and Warblers

___ White-eyed Vireo	SS AS
___ Bell's Vireo	SR un
___ Yellow-throated Vireo	SR co
___ Red-eyed Vireo	SR ra
___ Blue-winged Warbler	SR un
___ Tennessee Warbler	SR ra
___ Nashville Warbler	T ra
___ Northern Parula	T ra
___ Yellow Warbler	SR un
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler	SR ra
___ Yellow-throated Warbler	T un
___ Prairie Warbler	SR ra
___ Black-and-white Warbler	
___ Prothonotary Warbler	
___ Northern Waterthrush	T ra
___ Common Yellowthroat	SR co
___ Yellow-breasted Chat	SR co

Tanagers, Grosbeaks, and Towhees

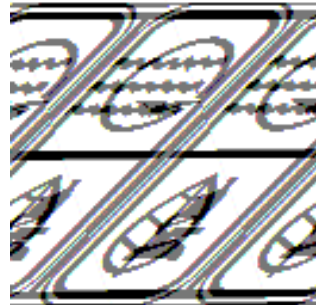
___ Eastern Towhee	SS AS
___ Summer Tanager	PR co
___ Northern Cardinal	SR un
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	PR co
___ Blue Grosbeak	SR co
___ Indigo Bunting	SR un
___ Painted Bunting	SR co
___ Dickcissel	SR ra
	SR co

Sparrows and Juncos

___ American Tree Sparrow	SS AS
___ Chipping Sparrow	WR co
___ Field Sparrow	SR un
___ Lark Sparrow	PR co
___ Savannah Sparrow	SR un
___ Grasshopper Sparrow	SR co
___ Henslow's Sparrow	SR co
___ Song Sparrow	SR un
___ White-throated Sparrow	PR co
___ White-crowned Sparrow	WR un
___ Harris' Sparrow	WR un
___ Dark-eyed Junco	WR ra
	WR co

Blackbirds, Orioles, and Goldfinches

___ Bobolink	SS AS
___ Red-winged Blackbird	T ra
___ Eastern Meadowlark	PR ab
___ Western Meadowlark	PR co
___ Yellow-headed Blackbird	WR un
___ Brewer's Blackbird	T ra
___ Common Grackle	WR ra
___ Brown-headed Cowbird	PR ab
___ Orchard Oriole	SR co
___ Baltimore Oriole	SR un
___ Purple Finch	SR un
___ American Goldfinch	WR un
___ House Sparrow	PR co
	PR ab



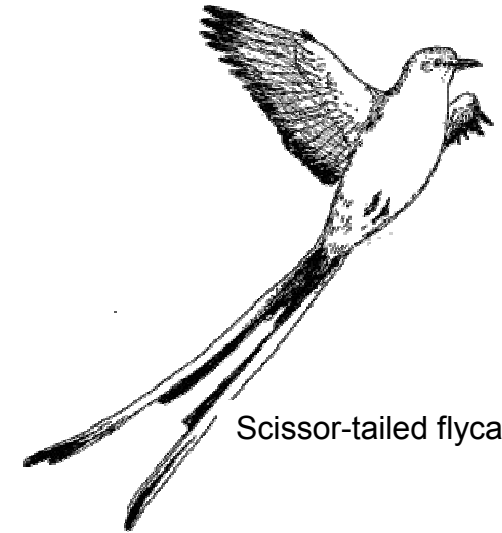
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Birds of Prairie SP Checklist

A mantle of tall grasses and prairie wildflowers once covered 33% of Missouri and provided a home for many animals. Known as the tallgrass prairie, this once vast landscape has dwindled to less than half of one percent of its original size. The largest remaining example of tallgrass prairie in Missouri is preserved and interpreted on the nearly 4000 acres that make up Prairie State Park.



Scissor-tailed flycatcher

The tallgrass prairie flourishes in areas where the forests of the eastern United States meet the Great Plains of the west. This prairie is located in an area that has more rainfall, higher humidity and deeper soil than the Great Plains. Under these conditions, prairie grasses grow the tallest, earning the tallgrass prairie its name.

Remember that the plants and animals are protected in all state parks, and they should not be disturbed.

Also remember that bison roam freely in portions of the park. Before exploring the park, stop in at the visitor center to get safety guidelines. For your safety stay in your vehicle in areas that contain the bison.