SUPERIOR NATIONAL FOREST, MINNESOTA · USA

Boundary Waters

Over a million acres of lakes, portages and boreal forest on the Canadian border: loons calling across every lake, beavers at dusk, moose in the bogs, black bears in the berry patches and wolves heard far more often than seen.

132 animals 23 mammals, 84 birds, 4 reptiles, 10 amphibians, 5 fish, 4 butterflies and 2 dragonflies

Best time: Jun to Sept

Seen _____ of 132

ANIMAL DATE AND PLACE

01 Big mammals 3

- [ ] Moose
- [ ] White-tailed Deer
- [ ] Black Bear

02 Hunters 11

- [ ] Grey Wolf Rare
- [ ] Red Fox
- [ ] Coyote Rare
- [ ] Canada Lynx Rare
- [ ] Fisher Rare
- [ ] American Marten Rare
- [ ] American Mink
- [ ] River Otter
- [ ] Short-tailed Weasel (Ermine) Rare
- [ ] Raccoon
- [ ] Striped Skunk

03 Small mammals 9

- [ ] North American Beaver
- [ ] Muskrat
- [ ] Porcupine
- [ ] Snowshoe Hare
- [ ] Red Squirrel (American)
- [ ] Eastern Chipmunk

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03 Small mammals continued

- [ ] Least Chipmunk
- [ ] Northern Flying Squirrel Rare
- [ ] Groundhog (Woodchuck)

04 Birds of prey and owls 13

- [ ] Bald Eagle
- [ ] Osprey
- [ ] Broad-winged Hawk
- [ ] Red-tailed Hawk
- [ ] Turkey Vulture
- [ ] Merlin
- [ ] Sharp-shinned Hawk
- [ ] American Goshawk Rare
- [ ] Peregrine Falcon Rare
- [ ] Barred Owl
- [ ] Great Horned Owl Rare
- [ ] Great Grey Owl Rare
- [ ] Northern Saw-whet Owl Rare

05 Lake and marsh birds 18

- [ ] Common Loon
- [ ] Common Merganser
- [ ] Hooded Merganser
- [ ] Common Goldeneye
- [ ] Wood Duck

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05 Lake and marsh birds continued

- [ ] Mallard
- [ ] American Black Duck
- [ ] Ring-necked Duck
- [ ] Canada Goose
- [ ] Trumpeter Swan Rare
- [ ] Red-necked Grebe Rare
- [ ] Double-crested Cormorant
- [ ] Great Blue Heron
- [ ] American Bittern
- [ ] Sandhill Crane
- [ ] Herring Gull
- [ ] Spotted Sandpiper
- [ ] Belted Kingfisher

06 Grouse and woodpeckers 9

- [ ] Ruffed Grouse
- [ ] Spruce Grouse
- [ ] Pileated Woodpecker
- [ ] Black-backed Woodpecker Rare
- [ ] American Three-toed Woodpecker Rare
- [ ] Hairy Woodpecker
- [ ] Downy Woodpecker
- [ ] Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
- [ ] Northern Flicker

07 Boreal birds 16

- [ ] Canada Jay
- [ ] Blue Jay
- [ ] Common Raven
- [ ] American Crow
- [ ] Black-capped Chickadee
- [ ] Boreal Chickadee
- [ ] Red-breasted Nuthatch
- [ ] Evening Grosbeak
- [ ] Pine Grosbeak Rare

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07 Boreal birds continued

- [ ] Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- [ ] White-winged Crossbill
- [ ] Red Crossbill
- [ ] Purple Finch
- [ ] American Goldfinch
- [ ] Redpoll
- [ ] Cedar Waxwing

08 Songbirds and warblers 28

- [ ] Dark-eyed Junco
- [ ] White-throated Sparrow
- [ ] Chipping Sparrow
- [ ] Song Sparrow
- [ ] Hermit Thrush
- [ ] Swainson's Thrush
- [ ] American Robin
- [ ] Winter Wren
- [ ] Golden-crowned Kinglet
- [ ] Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- [ ] Ovenbird
- [ ] Red-eyed Vireo
- [ ] Olive-sided Flycatcher
- [ ] Eastern Phoebe
- [ ] Tree Swallow
- [ ] Common Nighthawk
- [ ] Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- [ ] Yellow-rumped Warbler
- [ ] Nashville Warbler
- [ ] Chestnut-sided Warbler
- [ ] Black-throated Green Warbler
- [ ] Blackburnian Warbler
- [ ] Magnolia Warbler
- [ ] Black-and-white Warbler
- [ ] American Redstart

	ANIMAL	DATE AND PLACE
08 Songbirds and warblers	continued	
☐	Common Yellowthroat	
☐	Pine Warbler	
☐	Red-winged Blackbird	
09 Reptiles and amphibians	14	
☐	Painted Turtle	
☐	Snapping Turtle	
☐	Common Garter Snake	
☐	Red-bellied Snake	
☐	Spring Peeper	
☐	Wood Frog	
☐	Green Frog	
☐	Mink Frog	
☐	Northern Leopard Frog	
☐	American Toad	
☐	Grey Treefrog	

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09 Reptiles and amphibians	continued	
☐	Boreal Chorus Frog	
☐	Red-spotted Newt	
☐	Red-backed Salamander	
10 Fish and insects	11	
☐	Walleye	
☐	Northern Pike	
☐	Smallmouth Bass	
☐	Lake Trout Rare	
☐	Brook Trout	
☐	Canadian Tiger Swallowtail	
☐	Mourning Cloak	
☐	Red-spotted Admiral	
☐	Monarch	
☐	Common Green Darner	
☐	Chalk-fronted Corporal	

My trip

FROM _____ TO _____

TRAVELLING WITH _____

STAYING AT _____ SEEN _____ OF 132

FIRST ANIMAL WE SAW _____

BEST MOMENT _____

FIELD NOTES AND SKETCHES

KEEP IT IN WILDER

Tick them off in the app

Scan to open this checklist in Wilder. Add your photos, see your whole trip, earn badges and the Boundary Waters passport stamp, and watch your life list grow.

BEST TIME

Jun to Sept

The lakes are frozen from about December until ice-out in late April or early May.

A guide, not a guarantee: what you see depends on season, luck and patience. Give wildlife space and never feed it. Follow the local rules on distance.