

# Michigan's Isle Royale & Minnesota's Hawk Ridge August 29 – September 6, 2019

(I)=introduced; (GO) guide only; (HO) heard only

## BIRDS (81 species)

#### **DUCKS, GEESE AND SWANS: Anatidae**

**Snow Goose** *Anser caerulescens*—One individual in a flock of Canada Geese at Grant Portage National Monument; perhaps a Snow/Ross's hybrid, in Dave's opinion.

**Canada Goose** *Branta canadensis*—Seen twice, at Park Point (Duluth) and Grant Portage National Monument.

Wood Duck Aix sponsa—Seen in the Brule River mouth at Naniboujou Lodge.

Mallard Anas platyrhynchos—Park Point, Duluth.

**Common Goldeneye** *Bucephala clangula*—A single bird seen in the bay out at the end of Scoville Point, Isle Royale.

**Common Merganser** *Mergus merganser*—Seen almost every day from the mainland or Isle Royale when near Lake Superior.

#### **LOONS:** Gaviidae

**Common Loon** *Gavia immer*—Commonly seen and/or heard every day while on Isle Royale.

#### **GREBES: Podicipedidae**

**Red-necked Grebe** *Podiceps grisegena*—(GO) Seen by Dodie and Dave from the Voyageur II off Isle Royale on the trip back from Rock Harbor to Windigo.

## **CORMORANTS: Phalacrocoracidae**

**Double-crested Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax auritus*—Seen on days 2 and 3 at Park Point and Two Harbors Lighthouse.

#### **PELICANS: Pelecanidae**

American White Pelican Pelecanus erythrorhynchos—one seen at Grand Portage Lodge & Casino.

#### **NEW WORLD VULTURES: Cathartidae**

**Turkey Vulture** Cathartes aura—Seen at Hawk Ridge.

#### **OSPREY: Pandionidae**

Osprey Pandion haliaetus—Seen on several days; at Hawk Ridge and on Isle Royale.

## **HAWKS, KITES AND EAGLES: Accipitridae**

Sharp-shinned Hawk Accipiter striatus—Several seen migrating at Hawk Ridge and at Naniboujou Lodge.

**Northern Goshawk** *Accipiter gentilis*—(GO) One seen flying over the Hawk Ridge counting platform. **Bald Eagle** *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*—Seen pretty much every day of the trip on both the mainland and Isle Royale.

**Broad-winged Hawk** *Buteo platypterus*—One seen flying over the Hawk Ridge counting platform. **Red-tailed Hawk** *Buteo jamaicensis*—One seen flying from Isle Royale.

## **PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS: Charadriidae**

**Semipalmated Plover** *Charadrius semipalmatus*—Seen on the beach on two days, at Park Point, Duluth, and Naniboujou Lodge.

**Killdeer** Charadrius vociferus—An extremely cooperative bird seen every day in front of the Rock Harbor Lodge restaurant, Isle Royale.

## **SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES: Scolopacidae**

Sanderling Calidris alba—(GO) On the beach at Park Point.

Baird's Sandpiper Calidris bairdii—One on the beach at Park Point.

Buff-breasted Sandpiper Calidris subruficollis—One on the beach in front of Naniboujou Lodge.

**Spotted Sandpiper** *Actitis macularius*—Seen on two days, at Park Point, Duluth, and once on Isle Royale. **Lesser Yellowlegs** *Tringa flavipes*—One extremely cooperative, almost tame, bird seen for several days right in front of the Rock Harbor Lodge restaurant, Isle Royale.

#### **GULLS AND TERNS: Laridae**

**Ring-billed Gull** *Larus delawarensis*—Seen pretty much every day of the trip from the mainland and Isle Royale.

Herring Gull Larus argentatus—Only recorded on two days, but probably present every day.

#### **PIGEONS AND DOVES: Columbidae**

**Rock Pigeon** *Columba livia* (I)—Duluth.

Mourning Dove Zenaida macroura—Seen at Naniboujou Lodge the last day.

#### **NIGHTJARS: Caprimulgidae**

Common Nighthawk Chordeiles minor—Seen while in Duluth, both at Hawk Ridge and by the hotel.

#### **HUMMINGBIRDS: Trochilidae**

Ruby-throated Hummingbird Archilochus colubris—Seen at various sites in the Duluth area.

## **KINGFISHERS: Alcedinidae**

**Belted Kingfisher** *Megaceryle alcyon*—Seen on at least 2 days on Isle Royale.

#### **WOODPECKERS: Picidae**

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker Sphyrapicus varius—(GO) One seen by Dave at Naniboujou Lodge.

**Downy Woodpecker** *Picoides pubescens*— One was near the feeder area at Tettegouche State Park Visitor Center.

**Hairy Woodpecker** *Picoides villosus*— Seen on Park Point and on Isle Royale.

**Northern Flicker** *Colaptes auratus*— There was one under the watchful eye of a Merlin on Park Point; seen on Isle Royale and at Naniboujou Lodge.

**Pileated Woodpecker** *Dryocopus pileatus*— (HO) Heard a few times, on the Island as well as at Naniboujou Lodge.

#### **FALCONS AND CARACARAS: Falconidae**

**American Kestrel** *Falco sparverius*—Seen on two days, at Two Harbors Lighthouse and on the Scoville Point trail, Isle Royale.

Merlin Falco columbarius—Seen at least 4 days of the trip on both the mainland and Isle Royale.

#### **TYRANT FLYCATCHERS: Tyrannidae**

Empidonax sp—Seen at Park Point, Duluth, most likely an Alder or Willow (aka Traill's Flycatcher).

**Eastern Phoebe** Sayornis phoebe—One seen at Park Point, Duluth.

**Eastern Kingbird** *Tyrannus tyrannus*—(GO) Seen by guides only at Park Point, Duluth.

## **VIREOS: Vireonidae**

Red-eyed Vireo Vireo olivaceus—Park Point, Duluth.

#### **CROWS AND JAYS: Corvidae**

**Canada Jay** *Perisoreus canadensis*—Seen on two days by different groups on the Scoville Point Trail, Isle Royale.

Blue Jay Cyanocitta cristata—Seen various times on Isle Royale.

American Crow Corvus brachyrhynchos—Duluth area and Naniboujou Lodge.

**Common Raven** *Corvus corax*—Seen every day on Isle Royale.

#### **SWALLOWS AND MARTINS: Hirundinidae**

**Barn Swallow** *Hirundo rustica*—1 or 2 roosting in the driveway canopy at Grand Portage Lodge & Casino upon the early morning departure.

**Cliff Swallow** Petrochelidon pyrrhonota—Quite numerous migrating high overhead at Hawk Ridge.

#### **TITS AND CHICKADEES: Paridae**

**Black-capped Chickadee** *Poecile atricapillus*—Frequently encountered at many sites on the mainland and on Isle Royale.

#### **NUTHATCHES: Sittidae**

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** *Sitta canadensis*—Found every day on Isle Royale and occasionally elsewhere.

#### **WRENS: Troglodytidae**

Winter Wren Troglodytes troglodytes—Found almost every day on Isle Royale.

#### **KINGLETS: Regulidae**

**Golden-crowned Kinglet** Regulus satrapa—Isle Royale and Naniboujou Lodge.

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** *Regulus calendula*—(GO) Seen with mixed flock along the Rock Harbor Lodge trail.

#### **THRUSHES: Turdidae**

**Swainson's Thrush** *Catharus ustulatus*—Passage Island and on the trail to the Wolf-Moose Research Center.

**American Robin** *Turdus migratorius*— Seen on Park Point from the van.

## **WAXWINGS: Bombycillidae**

**Cedar Waxwing** *Bombycilla cedrorum*—Quite common and noticeable at virtually every stop of the trip, including Superior North Shore and on Isle Royale.

#### **NEW WORLD WARBLERS: Parulidae**

**Northern Waterthrush** *Parkesia noveboracensis*—Seen at Park Point and at Grand Portage Lodge & Casino.

Black-and-white Warbler Mniotilta varia—Park Point.

**Tennessee Warbler** *Oreothlypis peregrina*—Seen regularly on Isle Royale and at Park Point and Naniboujou Lodge.

**Nashville Warbler** *Oreothlypis ruficapilla*—At Park Point and Naniboujou Lodge and on day on Isle Royale.

**Common Yellowthroat** *Geothlypis trichas*—At Park Point and on Passage Island.

**American Redstart** *Setophaga ruticilla*—Regularly seen at several mainland sites and once on Isle Royale.

Cape May Warbler Setophaga tigrina—(GO) Naniboujou Lodge.

Northern Parula Setophaga americana— Naniboujou Lodge.

Magnolia Warbler Setophaga magnolia—Seen several days on Isle Royale.

Blackburnian Warbler Setophaga fusca—Park Point by guides only.

Yellow Warbler Setophaga petechia—Naniboujou Lodge and Park Point (latter guides only).

**Chestnut-sided Warbler** *Setophaga pensylvanica*—(GO) Park Point.

Blackpoll Warbler Setophaga striata—Passage Island.

Yellow-rumped Warbler Setophaga coronata—Common and ubiquitous, particularly on Isle Royale.

**Black-throated Green Warbler** *Setophaga virens*—One seen at Bangsund Cabin while talking to Rolf and Candy Peterson.

Wilson's Warbler Cardellina pusilla—Park Point.

#### **NEW WORLD SPARROWS: Passerellidae**

**Chipping Sparrow** *Spizella passerina*—Park Point.

White-throated Sparrow Zonotrichia albicollis—Common and ubiquitous at almost all locations.

**Song Sparrow** *Melospiza melodia*—Park Point and Passage Island.

#### **NEW WORLD BLACKBIRDS: Icteridae**

**Brown-headed Cowbird** *Molothrus ater*—One bird, probably a juvenile, on one day on Isle Royale.

**Red-winged Blackbird** *Agelaius phoeniceus*—One day on Isle Royale.

**Common Grackle** *Quiscalus quiscula*—Seen on several days at mainland sites.

#### **FINCHES: Fringillidae**

**Purple Finch** *Haemorhous purpureus*—Tettegouche State Park feeders.

Pine Siskin Spinus pinus—Naniboujou Lodge.

American Goldfinch Spinus tristis—Park Point and Naniboujou Lodge.

#### Mammals (6 species)

American Red Squirrel Tamiasciurus hudsonicus—Common on Isle Royale.

Eastern Chipmunk Tamias striatus—Hawk Ridge.

**Snowshoe Hare** *Lepus americanus*—Seen most days on Isle Royale.

**Moose** Alces alces—Seen at least on two days on Isle Royale.

**White-tailed Deer** *Odocoileus virginianus*—Seen at least once running across highway on mainland. **Red Fox** *Vulpes* —one seen on Isle Royale by Dave, but much fox scat observed.

## Insects (6 species)

Monarch Danaus plexippus—Frequently seen throughout the trip at virtually all stops.

Mourning Cloak Nymphalis antiopa--

American Lady Vanessa virginiensis--

Red Admiral Vanessa atalanta--

Cabbage White Pieris brassicae--

Tussock moth spp. Lymantriinae—Cascade Falls State Park

Common Sulphur Colias philodice--

Dragonfly spp.—Many individuals at almost all stops, presumably mostly migrants.