

BIRDS of the CARLTON RESERVE
is a handy reference for birders and other
visitors to this natural area.

This checklist summarizes a census conducted
by members of the Venice Area Audubon Society
(VAAS) and Carlton Reserve staff from March 1997
through May 1999.

The original census has been updated and revised
from 1999 through 2007 from monthly VAAS bird
walks and observations throughout the Carlton
Reserve area.

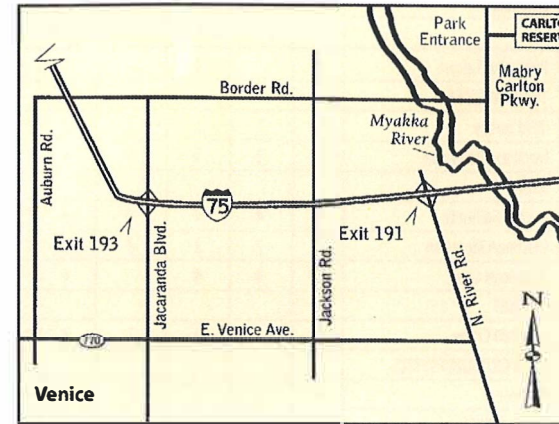
One hundred sixty-three bird species were identified
by sight and sound. The greatest number and variety
of birds are observed during migratory times.

The 24,565 acre T. Mabry Carlton, Jr. Memorial
Reserve is located in the central portion of Sarasota
County east of the Myakka River. The vast landscape
consists of pine flatwoods and dry prairies marked
by numerous wetlands and hammocks. The mosaic
of natural plant communities provides birds with a
variety of food sources and shelter.

The Carlton Reserve Public Park Area provides
nature-based recreation and picnic opportunities.

ONE TIME SIGHTINGS

Brown Pelican	Eurasian Collar-Dove
Great White Heron	Ruby-throated Hummingbird
Snow Goose	Least Flycatcher
Lesser Scaup	Western Kingbird
Red-breasted Merganser	Worm-eating Warbler
Hooded Merganser	Cape May Warbler
Long-billed Dowitcher	Blackpoll Warbler
Western Sandpiper	Orange-crowned Warbler
Semi-palmated Plover	Yellow Warbler
Black-necked Stilt	Hooded Warbler
Gray Kingbird	Gray-cheeked Thrush
Golden-crowned Kinglet	Painted Bunting



Directions: Take Jacaranda Blvd. north until it ends at Border Rd. Turn right
(east) for 2.5 miles. At the end of Border Rd. (stop sign), turn left onto
Mabry Carlton Parkway for 0.5 miles to park entrance. Go right on gravel
road that leads to the parking lot.

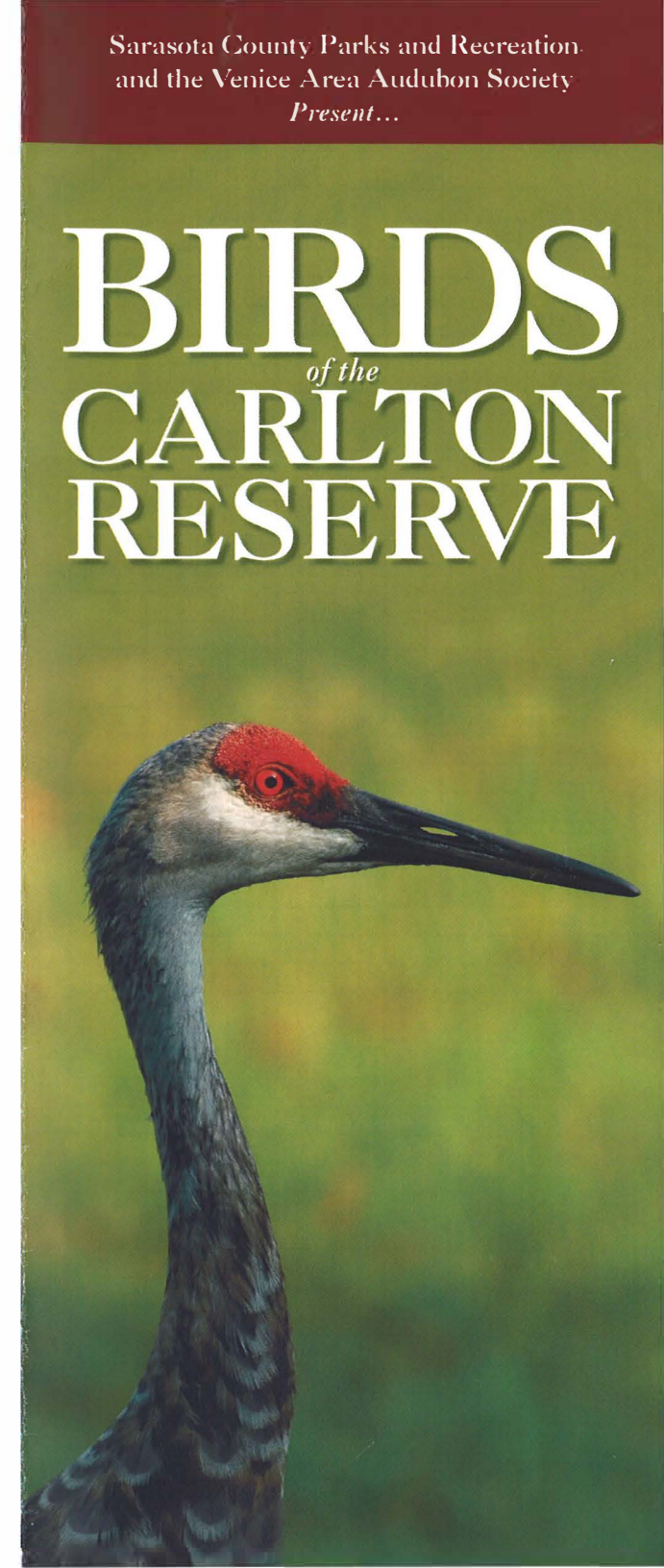
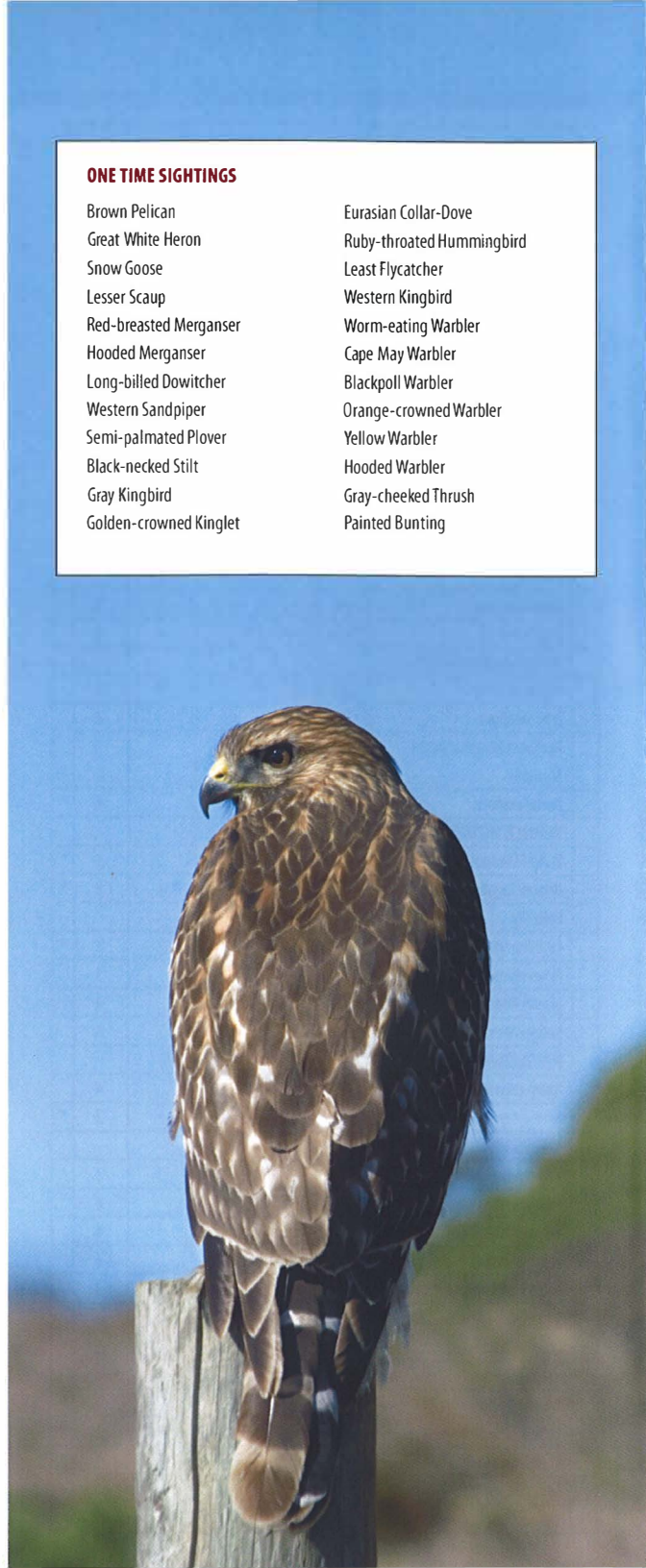
T. Mabry Carlton, Jr. Memorial Reserve
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volunteers made this valuable checklist possible.*

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✓ SPECIES	Key	Winter DJF	Spring MAM	Summer JJA	Fall SON	B
LOONS						
Common Loon	OHV	4			4	
GREBES						
Pied-billed Grebe	RV	2	3		2	
PELICANS						
American White Pelican	OHV	4	4		4	
CORMORANT/ANHINGA						
Double-crested Cormorant	RV	3	3	4	3	
Anhinga	R	1	1	1	1	
BITTERNS/HERONS/WADERS						
Great Blue Heron	R	2	2	2	2	
Great Egret	R	1	1	1	1	
Tricolored Heron	R	2	2	2	2	
Little Blue Heron	R	2	2	2	2	
Snowy Egret	R	2	2	2	2	
Cattle Egret	RV	3	3	3	3	
Green Heron	R	3	3	3	3	*
Black-crowned Night Heron	R	3	3	3	3	*
Yellow-crowned Night Heron	RV	4	4	4	4	
American Bittern	WV	4				
White Ibis	R	2	2	2	2	
Glossy Ibis	R3	3	3	3		
Roseate Spoonbill	RV	4	4	4	4	
Wood Stork	RV	3	3	3	3	
VULTURES						
Black Vulture	R	1	1	1	1	*
Turkey Vulture	R	1	1	3	2	
DUCKS						
Black-bellied Whistling Duck	RV	4	4	4	4	*
Wood Duck	R	3	3	3	3	*
Mottled Duck	R	3	3	3	3	*
Green-winged Teal	WV	4			4	
Blue-winged Teal	WR	3	4		4	
Northern Shoveler	WV	4			4	
Ring-necked Duck	WR	3	4		3	
RAPTORS						
Osprey	R	3	3		3	*
Swallow-tailed Kite	R		3	3		*
Sharp-shinned Hawk	WV	4			4	
Cooper's Hawk	R	4	4		4	
Northern Harrier	WV	4			4	
Bald Eagle	R	3	3		3	*
Red-shouldered Hawk	R	1	2	2	1	*
Red-tailed Hawk	RV	3	3	3	3	
American Kestrel	WV	1	3		2	
Merlin	M		4		4	

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Peregrine Falcon	M		4			
TURKEY/QUAIL						
Wild Turkey	R	3	3	3	3	*
Northern Bobwhite	R	3	3	3	3	*
RAILS						
Purple Gallinule	R	4	4	4	4	*
Common Moorhen	R	2	2	2	2	*
American Coot	WV	4	4		4	
CRANES						
Sandhill Crane	R	3	3	3	3	*
PLOVER/SANDPIPERS						
Killdeer	R	3	3	3	3	*
Wilson's Snipe	WV	4			4	
Short-billed Dowitcher	WV	4	4		4	
Greater Yellowlegs	RV	3	3		4	
Lesser Yellowlegs	RV	3	3		4	
Solitary Sandpiper	M		4			
Spotted Sandpiper	WV	4	4			
Least Sandpiper	WV	4	4			
GULLS/TERN						
Ring-billed Gull	OHV	3	4		4	
Laughing Gull	OHV	3	3	3	3	
Least Tern	RV		3	3		*
DOVES						
Mourning Dove	R	1	1	1	1	*
Common Ground-Dove	R	3	3	3	3	*
CUCKOO						
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	RV		4	4		
OWLS						
Eastern Screech Owl	R	4	4	4	4	*
Great Horned Owl	R	4	4	4	4	*
Barred Owl	R	4	4	4	4	*
NIGHTJARS						
Common Nighthawk	OHV		3	3	4	
Chuck-will's-widow	RV		4	4		*
SWIFTS						
Chimney Swift	OHV		2	2	4	*
KINGFISHERS						
Belted Kingfisher	WR	2	4		3	
WOODPECKERS						
Red-headed Woodpecker	R	2	2	2	2	*
Red-bellied Woodpecker	R	1	1	1	1	*
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	WV	3	4		4	
Downy Woodpecker	R	2	2	2	2	*
Hairy Woodpecker	R	4	4	4	4	*
Northern Flicker	R	3	3	3	3	*
Pileated Woodpecker	R	2	2	2	2	*

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FLYCATCHERS						
Eastern Wood-Pewee	M		4		4	
Great Crested Flycatcher	RV		2	3		*
Eastern Phoebe	WV	2	3		3	
Eastern Kingbird	M		4		4	
SHRIKES						
Loggerhead Shrike	R	4	4	4	4	?
VIREOS						
White-eyed Vireo	R	2	2	2	2	*
Yellow-throated Vireo	M				4	
Blue-headed Vireo	WR	4	4		4	
Red-eyed Vireo	M		4		4	
JAYS/CROWS						
Blue Jay	R	2	2	2	2	*
American Crow	R	1	1	1	1	*
Fish Crow	OHV	4	4	4	4	
MARTINS/SWALLOWS						
Purple Martin	OHV		3	3	4	
Tree Swallow	OHV	1	3		2	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	OHV	4	4		4	?
Barn Swallow	R		3		4	*
TITMICE/NUTHATCHES						
Tufted Titmouse	R	3	3	3	3	*
Brown-headed Nuthatch	R	3	3	4	3	*
WRENS						
Carolina Wren	R	2	2	2	2	*
House Wren	WR	3	4		3	
Marsh Wren	WR	4			4	
Sedge Wren	WR	4			4	
KINGLETS/GNATCATCHERS						
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	WR	3			4	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	R	2	3	3	2	*
THRUSHES						
Eastern Bluebird	R	2	2	3	3	*
Veery	M		4		4	
Swainson's Thrush	M		4		4	
Hermit Thrush	WR	4	4		4	
American Robin	WR	3	4		3	
MIMIDS/STARLINGS/WAXWINGS						
Gray Catbird	WR	2	2		3	
Northern Mockingbird	R	2	2	2	2	*
Brown Thrasher	R	2	2	3	2	*
European Starling	R	3	3	3	3	*
Cedar Waxwing	WV	4				

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WARBLERS						
Northern Parula Warbler	R	4	2	4	4	*
Black-throated Blue Warbler	M		4		4	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	RV	1	2		3	
Blackburnian Warbler	M		4		4	
Yellow-throated Warbler	RV	3	4		3	
Pine Warbler	R	3	3	3	3	*
Prairie Warbler	R	3	3		3	*
Palm Warbler	WR	2	2		3	
Black and White Warbler	WR	3	4		3	
American Redstart	M		4		4	
Ovenbird	M		4		4	
Northern Waterthrush	M		4			
Common Yellowthroat	R	3	2	3	3	*
TANAGERS/TOWHEES						
Scarlet Tanager	M		4			
Summer Tanager	M		4		4	
Eastern Towhee	R	3	2	3	3	*
SPARROWS						
Bachman's Sparrow	R	4	3		4	*
Chipping Sparrow	WR	4			4	
Swamp Sparrow	RV	4			4	
Grasshopper Sparrow	RV	4			4	
CARDINALS/GROSBEAKS						
Northern Cardinal	R	2	2	3	2	*
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	M		4		4	
Blue Grosbeak	M		4		4	
Indigo Bunting	M		4		4	
ICTERIDS						
Red-winged Blackbird	R	3	3	3	3	*
Eastern Meadowlark	R	4	4	4	4	*
Common Grackle	R	3	3	3	3	*
Boat-tailed Grackle	R	3	3	3	3	*
Brown-headed Cowbird	RV	3			4	
FINCHES						
American Goldfinch	RV	4				

KEY

R - Resident
M - Migrant
RV - Resident Visitor
WR - Winter Resident
OHV - Overhead Visitor
B - Nests in Season

1 - Abundant (always seen)
2 - Common (usually seen)
3 - Uncommon (sometimes seen)
4 - Rare (seldom seen)