

Squalicum Mountain Birds

Squalicum Mountain is located in Whatcom County, Washington, and rises 1,549 feet (472 meters) above sea level. The highest point on the mountain is approximately five miles from the center of Bellingham and the mixed coniferous/deciduous forests provide an ideal haven for a variety of woodland birds throughout the year.

The following is an accurate list of the species that can be found on the mountain.

Red-tailed Hawk	Black-capped Chickadee	Dark-eyed Junco
Northern Goshawk	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	
Cooper's Hawk	Mountain Chickadee	Red-winged Blackbird
Sharp-shinned Hawk	Bushtit	Brown-headed Cowbird
	Red-breasted Nuthatch	Bullock's Oriole
Wild Turkey	Brown Creeper	Pine Grosbeak
	Bewick's Wren	Purple Finch
Band-tailed Pigeon	House Wren	Cassin's Finch
Rock Pigeon	Pacific Wren	House Finch
Mourning Dove	Golden-crowned Kinglet	Red Crossbill
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Pine Siskin
Great Horned Owl	Townsend's Solitaire	American Goldfinch
Barred Owl	Swainson's Thrush	Evening Grosbeak
Northern Pygmy Owl	Hermit Thrush	House Sparrow.
Northern Saw-whet Owl	American Robin	
	Varied Thrush	
Anna's Hummingbird	Cedar Waxwing	
Rufous Hummingbird	European Starling	
		This list follows the <i>Checklist of Whatcom County Birds</i> , published in spring of 2011 by the North Cascades Audubon Society.
Red-breasted Sapsucker	Hutton's Vireo	Many of the birds listed here are year round residents of Whatcom County and all are known to nest here in the spring and summer months.
Downy Woodpecker	Warbling Vireo	
Hairy Woodpecker	Red-eyed Vireo	
Northern Flicker		
Pileated Woodpecker	Orange-crowned Warbler	
	Black-throated Gray Warbler	
Olive-sided Flycatcher	Townsend's Warbler	
Western Wood Pewee	MacGillivray's Warbler	
Willow Flycatcher	Wilson's Warbler	
Pacific-slope Flycatcher	Western Tanager	
	Black-headed Grosbeak	
Tree Swallow	Spotted Towhee	
Violet-green Swallow		
Barn Swallow	Chipping Sparrow	
	Fox Sparrow	
Steller's Jay	Song Sparrow	
American Crow	Golden-crowned Sparrow	
Common Raven	White-crowned Sparrow	

This brief summary of birds on Squalicum Mountain was prepared by Joe Meche, President of the North Cascades Audubon Society, an affiliated chapter of the National Audubon Society. These birds have all been personally observed on the mountain by the author.