

# Nature at Tall Pines State Preserve

## Wildlife Species Seen at Tall Pines

**Note:** This bird list is not the definitive list of all species found at Tall Pines or potentially present there. That number is very likely even larger and we expect our list to increase over time as additional species are seen. Each species listed here has been sighted and confirmed by an expert birder.

### BIRDS IDENTIFIED AT TALL PINES

Bald Eagle  
Great Blue Heron  
Great Egret  
Canada Goose  
American Black Duck  
Mallard  
Ring-billed Gull  
Turkey Vulture  
Black Vulture  
Coopers Hawk  
Sharpshinned Hawk  
Red-tailed Hawk  
Red-tailed Hawk (albino adult - very rare)  
Rock Dove  
Mourning Dove  
Great Horned Owl  
Eastern Screech Owl  
Short-eared Owl  
Belted Kingfisher  
Red-Bellied Woodpecker  
Northern Flicker  
Yellow Bellied Sapsucker  
Downy Woodpecker  
Hairy Woodpecker  
Blue Jay  
American Crow  
Fish Crow  
Tufted Titmouse  
Carolina Chickadee  
White-breasted nuthatch  
Red-breasted nuthatch  
Winter Wren  
Golden crowned Kinglet  
Eastern Bluebird  
Hermit Thrush  
American Robin  
Northern Mockingbird  
European Starling  
Northern Parula Warbler  
Black and White Warbler  
Black-throated Blue Warbler  
Magnolia Warbler  
Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myrtle Race)

Yellow-rumped Warbler (Audubon's Race)  
Prairie Warbler  
Pine Warbler  
Palm Warbler  
Yellow Warbler  
Common Yellowthroat Warbler  
Northern Cardinal  
Rufus Sided Towhee (Eastern Towhee)  
Clay-colored Sparrow  
Savannah Sparrow  
Song Sparrow  
American Tree Sparrow  
Field Sparrow  
Chipping Sparrow  
Dark-eyed Junco  
White-throated Sparrow  
Swamp Sparrow  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Brown-headed Cowbird  
Common Grackle  
Rusty Blackbird  
Pine Siskin  
American Goldfinch  
House Finch  
Purple Finch

#### **Other Wildlife**

A formal natural resources inventory for mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish and insects has not been done for the site but all indications are that wildlife is abundant and thriving.

**Mammals-** White-tail Deer, Red Fox (a fox den has also been located) and Raccoon are confirmed and abundant. It is also very likely that the Tall Pines tract is home to the other mammal species one would expect to see in Southern New Jersey such as Opossum, Grey Squirrel, Eastern Chipmunk and Southern Flying Squirrel.

**Reptiles, Amphibians and Fish-** Indications are that turtles, snakes, frogs and salamanders are abundant, particularly in the wetland, pond and creek areas at Tall Pines. Identification of species will become possible when they become active in the warmer months. To date, a Red-bellied Turtle was spotted on 3/30/08, Red-eared Sliders in 4/08 and Wenonah resident, Dave Kreck, recently confirmed (and caught) a Largemouth Bass in the pond at Tall Pines.

#### **Plants at Tall Pines**

#### **TREES, SHRUBS, AND WOODY VINES NOTED AT TALL PINES - APRIL 3, 2008**

**(Note:** The tree and shrub survey was conducted by Karl Anderson, one of New Jersey's most respected botanists and former director of the Rancocas Nature Center.)

#### **TREES**

Acer negundo - Box elder  
Acer platanoides - Norway maple  
Acer rubrum - Red maple  
Acer saccharinum - Silver maple  
Ailanthus altissima - Ailanthus

Betula populifolia - Gray birch  
Carpinus caroliniana - Ironwood  
Carya glabra - Pignut  
Carya tomentosa - Mockernut  
Catalpa sp. - Catalpa (need flowers/leaves to i.d.)  
Cornus florida - Flowering dogwood  
Fagus grandifolia - American beech  
Fraxinus pennsylvanica - Green ash  
Ilex opaca - American holly  
Juglans nigra - Black walnut  
Juniperus virginiana - Eastern redcedar  
Liriodendron tulipifera - Tuliptree  
Malus sp. - Apple  
Morus alba - White mulberry  
Nyssa sylvatica - Black gum  
Picea abies – Norway Spruce  
Pinus echinata - Shortleaf pine  
Pinus rigida – Pitch Pine  
Pinus strobus - White pine  
Pinus virginiana - Virginia pine  
Platanus occidentalis - Sycamore  
Populus x jackii - Balm of Gilead  
Prunus avium - Sweet cherry  
Prunus serotina - Black cherry  
Pyrus calleryana - Bradford pear  
Quercus alba - White oak  
Quercus falcata - Southern red oak  
Quercus palustris - Pin oak  
Quercus prinus - Chestnut oak  
Quercus velutina - Black oak  
Salix babylonica - Weeping willow  
Salix nigra - Black willow  
Sassafras albidum - Sassafras  
Thuja occidentalis - Arborvitae  
Ulmus americana - American elm

#### SHRUBS

Clethra alnifolia - Coastal sweetpepperbush  
Cornus amomum - Silky dogwood  
Forsythia sp. - Forsythia  
Kalmia latifolia - Mountain laurel  
Ligustrum sp. - Privet  
Lindera benzoin - Spicebush  
Lonicera fragrantissima - Winter honeysuckle  
Lonicera sp. - Honeysuckle (probably L. tatarica or L. morrowii)(need flowers/leaves to i.d.)  
Rosa multiflora - Multiflora rose  
Rubus occidentalis - Black raspberry  
Rubus sp. - Blackberry  
Salix discolor - Pussy willow