

## Introduction

In 2001 an eclectic group of environmentalists, artists, and educators joined forces with the Puffin Foundation to rescue a small parcel of land in the southern most portion of Teaneck. Once a staging ground for the construction of the intersection of Routes 80 and 95, the land had been an unofficial dumpsite for nearly half a century. Refrigerators and old tires lay half-buried under mountains of broken concrete and asphalt.

Working with community leaders and the Bergen County Parks Department the founding team crafted a restoration plan driven by their passion to see something else for this humbled parcel of land. In 2006, after hundreds of hours of community meetings and thousands of hours of sweat equity, the Teaneck Creek Park emerged with over 1.3 miles of groomed trails, an Outdoor Classroom, and ecological art exhibits that make this oasis unlike any other.

Teaneck Creek Park is located along the *Atlantic Flyway*, a migration pathway for hundreds of bird species. It serves as a stopover site for waterfowl, song birds and predatory birds during spring and fall migration. The habitat in the Park is also used by overwintering birds, breeding birds, and birds that are residents' year-round.

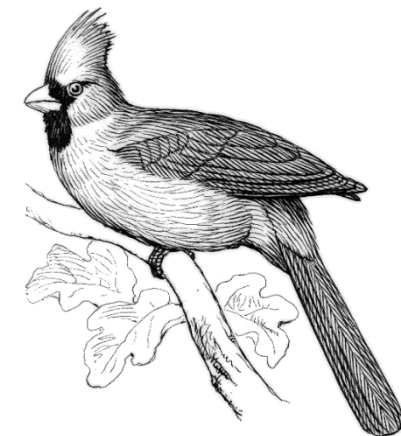
*Urban Ecology* is the study of ecosystems that include plants, animals and people in a landscape dominated by a high-density of buildings, paved surfaces, and other human made structures. This field of research is growing rapidly. Due to the location of Teaneck Creek Conservancy, there is a major need for more urban ecology studies to help us better understand the relationship between people, wildlife, and the environment in this unique setting.

For more information about Bergen County Audubon Society, please visit the website at [www.bergencountyaudubon.org](http://www.bergencountyaudubon.org).

For More information about Teaneck Creek Conservancy, our upcoming events, or to become a member, please visit us at [www.teaneckcreek.org](http://www.teaneckcreek.org).

## BIRDS

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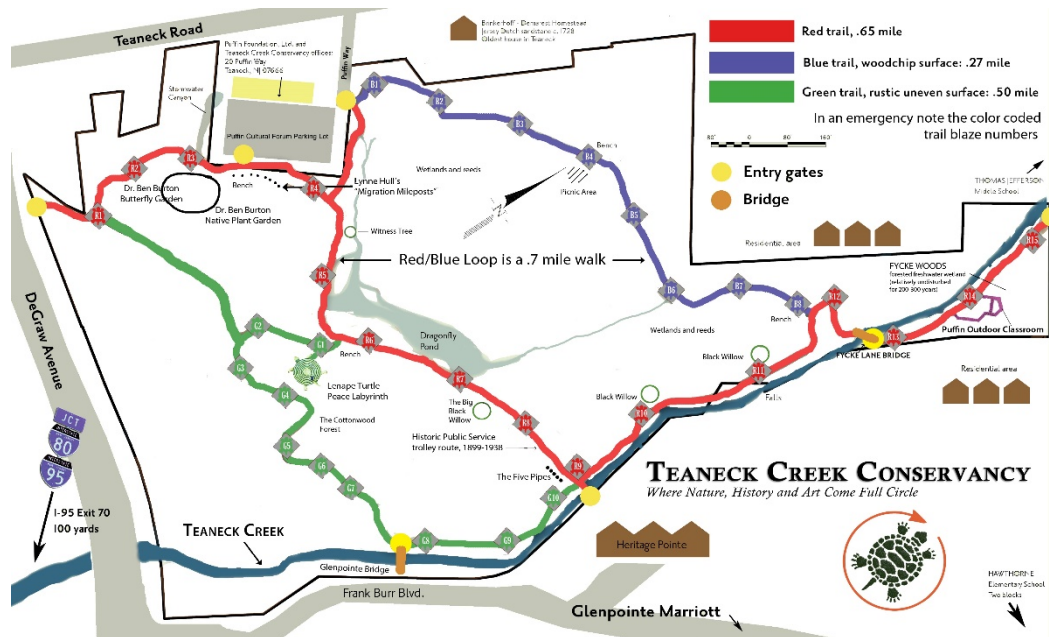


Northern Cardinal, public domain image

*For a safe birding experience  
please be aware of your  
surroundings at all times.*

This checklist was compiled by Bergen County Audubon Society and prepared by the Teaneck Creek Conservancy. You can contribute to this checklist by reporting new or unusual sightings via email at [alexa@teaneckcreek.org](mailto:alexa@teaneckcreek.org) or mail to Teaneck Creek Conservancy, c/o Alexa Marques, 20 Puffin Way, Teaneck NJ 07666. Nomenclature and overall organization for this checklist follows the 7th edition of the American Ornithologists Union, Checklist of North American Birds.

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**CHECKLIST**

Species	Seen
Canada Goose	
Wood Duck	
American Black Duck	
Mallard Duck	
Green-winged Teal	
Hooded Merganser	
Wild Turkey	
Rock Pigeon	
Mourning Dove	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	
Common Nighthawk	
Chimney Swift	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	
American Woodcock	
Solitary Sandpiper	
Ring-billed Gull	
Herring Gull	
Double-crested Cormorant	
Great Blue Heron	
Green Heron	
Black-crowned Night-Heron	
Black Vulture	
Turkey Vulture	
Osprey	
Bald Eagle	
Northern Harrier	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	
Cooper's Hawk	
Red-shouldered Hawk	
Broad-winged Hawk	
Red-tailed Hawk	
Great Horned Owl	
Belted Kingfisher	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	

Downy Woodpecker	
Hairy Woodpecker	
Northern Flicker	
American Kestrel	
Merlin	
Peregrine Falcon	
Olive-sided Flycatcher	
Eastern Wood-Pewee	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	
Willow Flycatcher	
Eastern Phoebe	
Great Crested Flycatcher	
Eastern Kingbird	
White-eyed Vireo	
Blue-headed Vireo	
Philadelphia Vireo	
Warbling Vireo	
Red-eyed Vireo	
Blue Jay	
American Crow	
Fish Crow	
Tree Swallow	
Barn Swallow	
Black-capped Chickadee	
Tufted Titmouse	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	
White-breasted Nuthatch	
Brown Creeper	
House Wren	
Winter Wren	
Marsh Wren	
Carolina Wren	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	
Eastern Bluebird	
Veery	
Swainson's Thrush	
Hermit Thrush	

Wood Thrush	
American Robin	
Grey Catbird	
Northern Mockingbird	
European Starling	
Cedar Waxwing	
House Sparrow	
House Finch	
Purple Finch	
Pine Siskin	
American Goldfinch	
Ovenbird	
Worm-eating Warbler	
Louisiana Waterthrush	
Northern Waterthrush	
Blue-winged Warbler	
Black-and-white Warbler	
Tennessee Warbler	
Nashville Warbler	
Mourning Warbler	
Kentucky Warbler	
Common Yellowthroat	
American Redstart	
Northern Parula	
Magnolia Warbler	
Blackburnian Warbler	
Yellow Warbler	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	
Blackpoll Warbler	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	
Palm Warbler	
Pine Warbler	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	
Prairie Warbler	
Black-throated Green Warbler	
Canada Warbler	
Eastern Towhee	
American Tree Sparrow	

Chipping Sparrow	
Field Sparrow	
Savannah Sparrow	
Fox Sparrow	
Song Sparrow	
Swamp Sparrow	
White-throated Sparrow	
White-crowned Sparrow	
Dark-eyed Junco	
Scarlet Tanager	
Northern Cardinal	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	
Indigo Bunting	
Red-winged Blackbird	
Rusty Blackbird	
Common Grackle	
Brown-Headed Cowbird	
Baltimore Oriole	

**FIELD NOTES**

**Date:**

**Time:**

**Location:**

**Weather:**

**Unusual Sightings:**