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4/28/2024

Birders:

Sorry to be a little late with our bird report from Fort De Soto.

We had an incredible trip. Warblers never arrive on a definite date but we were really lucky!

Great group of 17 birders with good eyes and ears!

Mark Cudney is a super leader and teacher!

The list below is a composite of Thursday's bird sightings.

Some of us birded on Wednesday and reported additional species.

I have added them below the "trip list" with WED. notation.

If I missed any species please let me know.

Fort De Soto Park, Saint Petersburg US-FL 27.61742, -82.72682, Pinellas, Florida, US

Apr 25, 2024 7:05 AM - 1:35 PM

Protocol: Traveling

6.0 mile(s)

Checklist Comments: Mark Cudney, leader, The Village Birders annual Ft. D trip:
Birding park and north beach - EVERY BIRD WAS NOT SEEN BY ALL 17 birders.
78 species + 12 additional seen on Wednesday IMPRESSIVE 90 species..

Red-breasted Merganser 1

Common Ground Dove 2

Mourning Dove 1

Chuck-will's-widow 1

American Oystercatcher 1

Black-bellied Plover 12

Semipalmated Plover 8

Piping Plover 3

Wilson's Plover 2 Larger than Semipalmated, larger bill

Short-billed Dowitcher 20

Lesser Yellowlegs 2

Willet 8

Ruddy Turnstone 4

Red Knot 3

Sanderling 6

Dunlin 10

Western Sandpiper 1 Black legs, black bill, chestnut patch on shoulder

Semipalmated Sandpiper 2

Laughing Gull 20

Ring-billed Gull 5 Seen by Mark +

Herring Gull 1

Black Skimmer 1 Sleeping out on beach with many Terns

Least Tern 3

Caspian Tern 2
Forster's Tern 2
Sandwich Tern 7
Royal Tern 14
Magnificent Frigatebird 50
Anhinga 2
Double-crested Cormorant 5
Brown Pelican 4
Little Blue Heron 1
Tricolored Heron 1
Reddish Egret 3
Snowy Egret 2
Green Heron 1
Great Egret 1
Great Blue Heron 2
White Ibis 2
Black Vulture 2 Seen by Mark +
Turkey Vulture 1
Osprey 10
Red-shouldered Hawk 1 Seen by Mark +
Red-bellied Woodpecker 3
Downy Woodpecker 1 north beach trees
Pileated Woodpecker 1
Merlin 1 Seen by Mark +
Nanday Parakeet 15
Great Crested Flycatcher 2
Gray Kingbird 2
Red-eyed Vireo 1
Loggerhead Shrike 1
Blue Jay 2
Fish Crow 10 Seen by Mark
Tufted Titmouse 1
Tree Swallow 1
European Starling 2
Gray Catbird 2
Northern Mockingbird 1
Orchard Oriole 1 perched on top of fountain with Gray Catbird
Brown-headed Cowbird 3
Common Grackle 5
Boat-tailed Grackle 3
Northern Waterthrush 1 seen by Stacie
Blue-winged Warbler 1 yellow bird, black eye and bill in Sea Grapes, shrubbery at East Beach, poor picture...
Black-and-white Warbler 1
Tennessee Warbler 1
Kentucky Warbler 1 low in shrubbery/ground in area with female Hooded Warbler near fountain area at rangers's house
Hooded Warbler 2 both females, one near fountain area, in shrub area near beach at ranger's house
American Redstart 1
Cape May Warbler 1 female in shrub area near beach at rangers's house

Cape may warbler 1 1 female in shrub area near beach at ranger's house
Northern Parula 1 Seen by Mark +
Magnolia Warbler 1 Seen by Mark +
Blackpoll Warbler 3 2 male, 1 female in shrub area near beach at ranger's house
Black-throated Blue Warbler 1
Prairie Warbler 2 East Beach shrubbery singing/flitting in leaves
Summer Tanager 1 male at East Beach trail at top of small tree
Northern Cardinal 3

WEDNESDAY - BIRDS- (12 additional species) SEEN BY MARK, GISELE and TOM:
Snowy Plover, Indigo Bunting, Yellow-rumped and Palm Warbler, Gull-billed Tern,
House Sparrow, Eurasian Collared Dove, Cattle Egret, Marbled Godwit, Killdeer,
Red-winged Blackbird, Eastern Towhee,

Thank you, everyone, for joining us and helping "find the birds"!
Same time NEXT year - this list is going to be hard to beat!
THANK YOU MARK!!!

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