

Bird Watching Highlights

- Alder Flycatcher
- American Black Duck
- American Crow
- American Goldfinch
- American Kestrel
- American Robin
- American Woodcock
- Bald Eagle
- Baltimore Oriole
- Bank Swallow
- Barn Swallow
- Barred Owl
- Belted Kingfisher
- Black-billed Cuckoo
- Blackburnian Warbler
- Black-capped Chickadee
- Black-throated Blue Warbler
- Black-throated Green Warbler
- Blue Jay
- Blue-headed Vireo
- Blue-winged Teal
- Brewer's Blackbird
- Broad-winged Hawk
- Brown Creeper
- Brown Thrasher
- Brown-headed Cowbird
- Bufflehead
- Canada Goose
- Cedar Waxwing
- Chestnut-sided Warbler
- Chipping Sparrow
- Common Grackle
- Common Loon
- Common Merganser
- Common Nighthawk
- Common Raven
- Cooper's Hawk
- Dark-eyed Junco
- Double-crested Cormorant
- Downy Woodpecker
- Eastern Bluebird
- Eastern Kingbird
- Eastern Meadowlark
- Eastern Phoebe
- Eastern Screech-Owl
- Eastern Towhee
- Eastern Wood-Pewee
- European Starling
- Evening Grosbeak
- Field Sparrow
- Gray Catbird
- Great Blue Heron
- Green Heron
- Green-winged Teal
- Hairy Woodpecker
- Hermit Thrush
- House Sparrow
- House Wren
- Indigo Bunting
- Killdeer
- Kirtland's Warbler
- Least Flycatcher
- Mallard
- Mourning Dove
- Nashville Warbler
- Northern Cardinal
- Northern Flicker
- Northern Goshawk
- Northern Saw-whet Owl
- Northern Shrike
- Osprey
- Pied-billed Grebe
- Pileated Woodpecker
- Pine Siskin
- Pine Warbler
- Purple Finch
- Red-bellied Woodpecker
- Red-breasted Nuthatch
- Red-eyed Vireo
- Red-headed Woodpecker
- Red-shouldered Hawk
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Red-winged Blackbird
- Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- Rough-legged Hawk
- Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- Ruffed Grouse
- Savannah Sparrow
- Scarlet Tanager
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Short-eared Owl
- Song Sparrow
- Spotted Sandpiper
- Swamp Sparrow
- Tufted Titmouse
- Turkey Vulture
- Upland Sandpiper
- Veery
- Vesper Sparrow
- Whip-poor-will
- White-breasted Nuthatch
- White-crowned Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow
- Wild Turkey
- Wilson's Snipe
- Winter Wren
- Wood Duck
- Wood Thrush
- Yellow-rumped Warbler
- Yellow Warbler
- Yellow-billed Cuckoo

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BIRD WATCHING

Grayling



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Birdwatching Opportunities

AuSable and Manistee Rivers

- Numerous public access sites
- Canoe/kayak trips

Deward Watchable Wildlife Site

- Non-motorized area
- River system

Dyer Truck Trail

- Red Pine old growth area

Hanson Hills Recreation Area

- 35k of trails through rolling oak hills
- Walking or mountain biking trails

Hartwick Pines State Park

- Four trails with a total length of 7 miles
- 15 miles of mountain biking trails accessible to foot traffic
- 9,672 acre state park
- 49 acre tract of "Old Growth Pine Forest"
- 1 1/4 mile long paved trail
- 3 of the 4 trails have a self-guided, educational brochure
- Birdfeeding station and monitor at the Visitor Center
- Two lakes with easy access and floating docks
- Rolling hills to flat landscapes with a wide variety of forest types

Kirtland's Warbler Tours

- Michigan's world-famous endangered songbird - the rarest Warbler in North America.
- Guided tours are conducted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in partnership with the Michigan Audubon Society from mid-May to the first week in July
- All tours are guided by expert wildlife professionals
- Reservations required for groups of five or more
- Free tours depart from the Grayling Holiday Inn at 7:00am & 11:00am daily
- For more information or reservations for large groups contact USFWS - 517-351-8316



Mason Tract Pathway

- 11 1/3 miles of trails along the AuSable River
- Mixture of hardwood/Jack Pine and river system
- No biking/non-motorized area

Rayburn Property

- Paved hiking/biking trail leads to the AuSable River
- 2 miles of trail
- Jack Pine & Oak/river system

Wakeley Lake Quiet Area

- Foot travel area designed for the protection and restoration of threatened loons and eagles
- Loon nesting area March 1 to July 15
- Numerous species at and around the lake
- Open year round
- 16.5 miles of hiking & biking trails

W.J. Beal Plantation

- 40 species of trees
- Short rustic trail

Types of Tours/Terrain

Guided Tours

Kirtland's Warbler Tours

Paved trails

Hartwick Pines State Park

Rayburn Property

All other trails are unpaved and rustic

River Systems/Wetlands

AuSable and Manistee Rivers

Mason Tract

Deward Watchable Wildlife Site

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Hartwick Pines State Park

Wakeley Lake

Crawford County Recreation Maps

are available by calling

1-800-495-1772

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