ombstone Territorial Park lies just south of the Arctic Circle in the Ogilvie Mountains of central Yukon. The Dempster Highway provides access to the park which features diverse habitats including forested river valleys, small lakes and ponds, rich wetlands, alpine and arctic tundra, and rugged mountain tops. The Tombstone wilderness is well known as one of the best places in North America to view subarctic breeders such as Gyrfalcon, Surfbird, Long-tailed Jaeger, Northern Wheatear, and Smith's Longspur.

This checklist summarizes the occurrence and breeding status of 148 species which have been recorded in Tombstone Territorial Park and vicinity. Breeding has been confirmed for 38 species. Species names and taxonomic order follow the A.O.U. checklist (1998) and supplements.

The book *Birds by the Dempster Highway* by the late Robert Frisch is an essential reference for visitors to the Tombstone area. Information on the region's birdlife is also provided by staff at the Tombstone Interpretive Centre.

FREQUENCY and BREEDING CODES

- Rare: expected annually, but easily missed.
 ca Casual: at least two records but not seen every year.
 ac Accidental: recorded only once.
- w Winter: expected annually in winter (Dec 1 Feb 28).
- * Confirmed Breeding: Observations of an active nest or dependent, flightless young.

DOCUMENTING BIRD SIGHTINGS

This checklist was compiled using the Birds of the Yukon Database (Canadian Wildlife Service, Whitehorse). Contribute to our knowledge of the Yukon's birdlife by sending field notes including written or photo documentation of rare, casual, or accidental species or those not on the checklist, and details of breeding observations to:

The Yukon Bird Club Box 31054, Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada Y1A 5P7 www.yukonweb.com/community/ybc/

✓ SPECIES	Α	В	С	D
Red-throated Loon *				
Pacific Loon				
Common Loon *				
Yellow-billed Loon ac				
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Horned Grebe				
Red-necked Grebe * ca				
Greater White-fronted Goose				
Brant ca				
Canada Goose				
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Trumpeter Swan r				
Tundra Swan				
Gadwall r			<u> </u>	
Eurasian Wigeon ca				
American Wigeon *				
Mallard *				
Blue-winged Teal r				
Northern Shoveler				
Northern Pintail *				
Green-winged Teal				
Canvasback				
Redhead r				
Ring-necked Duck				
Greater Scaup *				
Lesser Scaup				
Harlequin Duck *				
Surf Scoter				
White-winged Scoter				
Long-tailed Duck *				
Bufflehead *				
Common Goldeneye				
Barrow's Goldeneye				
Hooded Merganser ac				
Common Merganser				
Red-breasted Merganser				
Bald Eagle *				
Northern Harrier				
Sharp-shinned Hawk				
Northern Goshawk w				
Red-tailed Hawk				
Rough-legged Hawk				
Golden Eagle *				
American Kestrel *				
Merlin * r				
Gyrfalcon * w				
Peregrine Falcon				

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	Ruffed Grouse w				
	Spruce Grouse w				
	Willow Ptarmigan * w				
	Rock Ptarmigan * w				
_	White-tailed Ptarmigan * w				
_	American Coot ca				
	Sandhill Crane				
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	American Golden-Plover *				
	Semipalmated Plover *				
	Killdeer ca				
	Lesser Yellowlegs				
	Solitary Sandpiper				
	Wandering Tattler *				
	Spotted Sandpiper *				
	Upland Sandpiper *				
	Whimbrel				
	Hudsonian Godwit ca				
	Ruddy Turnstone ac				
	Surfbird * r				
	Semipalmated Sandpiper				
	Least Sandpiper *				
	Baird's Sandpiper				
	Pectoral Sandpiper				
	Buff-breasted Sandpiper ca				
	Long-billed Dowitcher				
	Wilson's Snipe				
	Wilson's Phalarope ac				
	Red-necked Phalarope				
	Parasitic Jaeger ca				
	Long-tailed Jaeger *				
	Bonaparte's Gull				
	Mew Gull *				
_	Herring Gull				
_	Glaucous Gull ca				
	Arctic Tern				
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	Mourning Dove ac				
_	Great Horned Owl w				
_	Snowy Owl ca				-
_	Northern Hawk Owl				
_	Great Gray Owl ac				-
_	Long-eared Owl ac				
_	Short-eared Owl				
_	Boreal Owl * w				
	Common Nighthawk ac				
	Sommon Myndiawk ac				1

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	Belted Kingfisher				
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	Hairy Woodpecker				
	Three-toed Woodpecker w				
	Black-backed Woodpecker ac				
	Northern Flicker *				
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	Olive-sided Flycatcher				
	Western Wood-Pewee				
	Alder Flycatcher				
	Hammond's Flycatcher *				
	Say's Phoebe *				
	Eastern Kingbird ac				
	Northern Shrike		1	1	
	Northern Sillike		ļ	ļ	
	Gray Jay w				
	Common Raven w				
	Horned Lark				
	Tree Swallow				
	Violet-green Swallow				
	Bank Swallow				
	Cliff Swallow *				
	Cilii Swallow				
	Black-capped Chickadee w				
	Boreal Chickadee w				
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	American Dipper w				
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet				
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	Northern Wheatear *				
	Townsend's Solitaire				
	Gray-cheeked Thrush				
	Swainson's Thrush				
	Hermit Thrush				
	American Robin				
	Varied Thrush				
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	American Pipit		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
	Bohemian Waxwing				
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	Tennessee Warbler ac				
	Orange-crowned Warbler				
	Yellow Warbler				
	Yellow-rumped Warbler				
	Townsend's Warbler				
	Blackpoll Warbler				
	Northern Waterthrush				
	Wilson's Warbler *				

✓ SPECIES	Α	В	С	D
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American Tree Sparrow *	-			
Chipping Sparrow				
Savannah Sparrow *	-			
Fox Sparrow	-			
Lincoln's Sparrow				
White-crowned Sparrow *				
Golden-crowned Sparrow r				
Dark-eyed Junco				
Lapland Longspur				
Smith's Longspur				
Snow Bunting w				
Red-winged Blackbird ac				
Rusty Blackbird *				
Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch				
Pine Grosbeak w				
Red Crossbill ac				
White-winged Crossbill w				
Common Redpoll w				
Hoary Redpoll w				
Pine Siskin ac				
Notes:				

A Sensitive Environment

Northern environments are sensitive with fragile habitats;

- Observe birds and wildlife from a responsible distance.
- ✓ Leave plants, animals, and cultural and ecological artifacts untouched.
- ✓ Avoid nesting areas.
- ✓ Keep a clean camp and leave nothing behind.

Awareness ~ Appreciation ~ Conservation

BIRDS
TOMBSTONE
TERRITORIAL PARK
OBSERVERS:

DATE:
LOCATIONS:
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