### AN ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO ABACO'S 37 WARBLER SPECIES

Abaco has 37 warbler species recorded for the main island and cays. They fall into 3 categories: 5 permanent residents (PR) that breed on Abaco (B), of which two are endemics; 21 winter residents (WR) ranging from 'everyday' species to rarities such as the Kirtland's Warbler; and 11 transients, most of which you will be lucky to encounter. The codes given for each bird show the residence status and also the likelihood of seeing each species in its season, rated from 1 (very likely) to 5 (extreme rarities, maybe only recorded once or twice).

The photos that follow show an example of each warbler, where possible (1) male (2) in breeding plumage and (3) taken on Abaco. Where I had no Abaco images - especially with the transients - I have used other mainstream birding resources and Wiki. All due credits are shown at the foot of the post.

### PERMANENT RESIDENTS



BAHAMA YELLOWTHROAT Geothlypis rostrata PR B 1 ENDEMIC



YELLOW WARBLER Setophaga petechia PR B 1



OLIVE-CAPPED WARBLER Setophaga pityophila PR B 1



PINE WARBLER Setophaga pinus PR B 1



BAHAMA WARBLER Setophaga flavescens PR B 1 ENDEMIC

## WINTER RESIDENTS (COMMON)



OVENBIRD Seiurus aurocapilla WR 1



WORM-EATING WARBLER Helmitheros vermivorum WR 2



NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH Parkesia noveboracensis WR 1



BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER Mniotilta varia WR 2



COMMON YELLOWTHROAT Geothlypis trichas WR 1



AMERICAN REDSTART Setophaga ruticilla WR 1



CAPE MAY WARBLER Setophaga tigrina WR 1



NORTHERN PARULA Setophaga americana WR 1



BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER Setophaga caerulescens WR 2



PALM WARBLER Setophaga palmarum WR 1



YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER Setophaga coronata WR 2



YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER Setophaga dominica WR 1



PRAIRIE WARBLER Setophaga discolor WR 1

# WINTER RESIDENTS (UNCOMMON TO RARE)



LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH Parkesia motacilla WR 3



BLUE-WINGED WARBLER Vermivora cyanoptera WR 3



SWAINSON'S WARBLER Limnothlypis swainsonii WR 4



NASHVILLE WARBLER Oreothlypis ruficapilla WR 4



HOODED WARBLER Setophaga citrina WR 3



🌌 KIRTLAND'S WARBLER Setophaga kirtlandii WR 4



MAGNOLIA WARBLER Setophaga magnolia WR 3



BLACK- THROATED GREEN WARBLER Setophaga virens WR 3

### **TRANSIENTS**



PROTHONOTARY WARBLER Protonotaria citrea TR 3



 ${\tt TENNESSEE~WARBLER~\it Ore othly pis~peregrina~TR~4}$ 



ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER  $\ Ore othly pis\ celata\ TR$  4



CONNECTICUT WARBLER Oporonis agilis TR 4



KENTUCKY WARBLER Geothlypis formosa TR 4



BAY-BREASTED WARBLER Setophaga castanea TR 4



BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER Setophaga fusca TR 4



CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER Setophaga pensylvanica TR 4



BLACKPOLL WARBLER Setophaga striata TR 3



WILSON'S WARBLER Cardellina pusilla TR 4



🖁 YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT Icteria virens TR 4

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**CHECKLIST** based on the complete checklist and codes for Abaco devised by Tony White with Woody Bracey







