

WFS 340 Wetlands Ecology and Management
Common Waterbirds in the Southeast

GEESE	Common vernacular (slang) names
Greater white-fronted goose*	Specklebelly
Snow goose*: <i>white phase and blue phase</i>	Blue phase – Blue goose
Canada goose*	

SWANS
Tundra swan*

TREE DUCKS	Common vernacular (slang) names
Black-bellied whistling duck*	
Wood duck*	Woodie or Summer duck

DABBLING DUCKS (a.k.a. puddle ducks)	Common vernacular (slang) names
Mallard *	Greenhead
American black duck*	
Gadwall*	Gray duck
Green-winged teal*	
American wigeon*	Baldpate
Northern pintail*	Sprig
Northern shoveler*	Spoonbill
Blue-winged teal*	

DIVING DUCKS	Common vernacular (slang) names
Canvasback*	Can
Redhead*	
Ring-necked duck*	Ringbill or Blackjack
Greater and Lesser scaup*	Bluebills
Bufflehead*	
Hooded merganser*	
Ruddy duck*	

WADING BIRDS
Common Herons, Egrets, Ibis, Wood stork* & Roseate spoonbill*

SECRETIVE MARSH BIRDS
Rails & Bitterns
OTHER
American coot*; Gallinules & Moorhens

SHOREBIRDS
Wilson's snipe*
American woodcock*
Common Inland shorebirds
Common Coastal shorebirds

*Sight identification for all species with an asterisk, entire common name (spelled correctly) required
 Vernacular names required for those indicated