

# ANIMALS OBSERVED BY WALTER GUTHRIE IN SALEM WOODS

## MAMMALS

Cottontail Rabbit (*Sylvilagus* sp.)

There are two cottontail rabbits in Essex County, the eastern cottontail and the New England cottontail, each having different pelage.

However, the most reliable way to distinguish between the two is the skull characteristics.

Eastern Chipmunk (*Tamias striatus*)

Woodchuck (*Marmota monax*)

Gray Squirrel (*Sciurus carolinensis*)

Field Mouse (*Peromyscus* sp.)

Deer mice and the white-footed mice can be told from each other by subtle external differences. However, the skulls are the most reliable way to determine between the two.

Muskrat (*Ondatra zibethicus*)

Red Fox (*Vulpes vulpes*)

Raccoon (*Procyon lotor*)

Striped Skunk (*Mephitis mephitis*)

River Otter (*Lutra canadensis*)

## - AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES

Bull Frog (*Rana catesbyviana*)

Northern Leopard Frog (*Rana pipiens*)

Eastern Painted Turtle (*Chrysemys picta*)

Wood Turtle (*Clemmys insulpta*)

Snapping Turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*)

Eastern Garter Snake (*Thamnophis sirtalis*)

## BIRDS

Red-shouldered Hawk (*Buteo lineatus*)

Northern Harrier (*Circus cyaneus*)

Belted Kingfisher (*Megasceryle alcyon*)

Canada Goose (*Branta canadensis*)

Bufflehead (*Bucephala albeola*)

Ring-necked Duck (*Aythya affinis*)

Lesser Scaup (*Aythya affinis*)

American Black Duck (*Anas rubripes*)

American Wigeon (*Anas americana*)

Blue-winged Teal (*Anas discors*)

Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*)

Wood Duck (*Aix sponsa*)

ChimneySwift (*Chaetura pelagica*)

American Bittern (*Botaurus lentiginosus*)

Black-crowned Night Heron (*Nycticorax nycticorax*)

Great Blue Heron (*Ardea herodias*)

Green Heron (*Butorides striatus*)

Least Bittern (*Ixobrychus exilis*)

Cedar Waxwing (*Bombycillia cedrorum*)

Mourning Dove (*Zenaida macroura*)

Rock Dove (pigeon) (*Columba livia*)

American Crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos*)

Blue Jay (*Cyanocitta cristata*)

American Kestrel (*Falco sparverius*)

American Goldfinch (*Carduelis tristis*)

American Tree Sparrow (*Spizella arborea*)

Common Redpoll (*Carduelis flammea*)

Field Sparrow (*Spizella pusilla*)

Fox Sparrow (*Passerella iliaca*)

Indigo Bunting (*Passerina cyanea*)

Northern Cardinal (*Cardinalis cardinalis*)

Rufus-sided Towhee (*Pipilo erythrophthalmus*)

Slate-colored Junco (*Junco hyemalis*)

Song Sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*)

Swamp Sparrow (*Melospiza georgiana*)

American Tree Sparrow (*Spizella arborea*)

Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*)

Tree Swallow (*Iridoprocne bicolor*)

Baltimore Oriole (*Icterus galbula*)

Brown-headed Cowbird (*Molothrus ater*)

Common Grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula*)

Red-winged Blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*)

Herring Gull (*Larus argentatus*)

Ring-billed Gull (*Larus delawarensis*)

Brown Thrasher (*Toxostoma rufum*)

Gray Catbird (*Dumetella carolinensis*)

Northern Mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos*)

Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*)

Black-capped Chickadee (*Parus atricapillus*)

Tufted Titmouse (*Parus bicolor*)

American Redstart (*Setophaga ruticilla*)

Blackpoll Warbler (*Dendroica striata*)

Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*)

Palm Warbler (*Dendroica palmarum*)

Yellow-rumped Warbler (*Dendroica coronata*)

Yellow Warbler (*Dendroica petechia*)

Ring-necked Pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*)

Common Flicker (*Colaptes auratus*)

Downy Woodpecker (*Picoides pubescens*)

American Coot (*Fulcia americana*)

Common Gallinule (*Gallinula chloropus*)

Virginia Rail (*Rallus limicola*)

European Starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*)

Golden-crowned Kinglet (*Regulus satrapa*)

American Robin (*Turdus migratorius*)

Hermit Thrush (*Catharus guttatus*)

Eastern Kingbird (*Tyrannus tyrannus*)

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