

# Species Survey

## Varner Hogg Plantation State Historic Site

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*Editor's note:* This species survey was conducted in June 2001 by Charles Brower, Gardner Campbell, Tom Collins, David Heinicke, and Jim Renfro. At the time Varner Hogg Plantation State Historic Site was administered by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

After the founding of the Cradle of Texas Chapter in September 2001, the Chapter established a partnership agreement with the park. This document thus became a part of the chapter's records.

In 2008 the Texas Legislature moved most of the state historic parks, including Varner Hogg, to the jurisdiction of the Texas Historical Commission. Our partnership agreement with the park terminated at that time.

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### **Birds:**

Great Blue Heron	Great Egret	Little Blue Heron
Cattle Egret	Roseate Spoonbill	Black Vulture
Mississippi Kite	Mourning Dove	Inca Dove
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Red-bellied Woodpecker	Downy Woodpecker
Great Crested Flycatcher	Purple Martin	Blue Jay
American Crow	Carolina Chickadee	Tufted Titmouse
Eastern Bluebird	Northern Mockingbird	European Starling
Northern Parula	Northern Cardinal	Common Grackle
Brown-headed Cowbird		

### **Butterflies:**

Black Swallowtail ( <i>Papilio polyxenes</i> )	Giant Swallowtail ( <i>Papilio cresphontes</i> )
Eastern Tiger Swallowtail ( <i>Papilio glaucus</i> )	Little Yellow ( <i>Eurema lisa</i> )
Red-banded Hairstreak ( <i>Calycopis cecrops</i> )	Gray Hairstreak ( <i>Strymon melinus</i> )
Variiegated Fritillary ( <i>Euptoieta claudia</i> )	Phaon Crescent ( <i>Phyciodes phaon</i> )
Pearl Crescent ( <i>Phyciodes tharos</i> )	Question Mark ( <i>Polygonia interrogationis</i> )
American Lady ( <i>Vanessa viginienis</i> )	Viceroy ( <i>Limenitis archippus</i> )
Hackberry Emperor ( <i>Asterocampa celtis</i> )	Carolina Satyr ( <i>Hermeuptychia sosybius</i> )
Trop. Checkered Skipper ( <i>Pyrgus oileus</i> )	Least Skipper ( <i>Ancyloxyphus numitor</i> )
Dun Skipper ( <i>Euphyes vestries</i> )	Clouded Skipper ( <i>Lerema accius</i> )

### **Dragonflies and Damselflies:**

Cyrano Darner ( <i>Nasiaeschna pentacantha</i> )	Prince Baskettail ( <i>Epitheca princeps</i> )
Widow Skimmer ( <i>Libellula luctuosa</i> )	Roseate Skimmer ( <i>Orthemis ferruginea</i> )
Eastern Amberwing ( <i>Perithemis tenera</i> )	Blue Dasher ( <i>Pachydiplax longipennis</i> )
Eastern Pondhawk ( <i>Erythemis simplicicollis</i> )	Black Saddlebags ( <i>Tamea lacerata</i> )
Halloween Pennant ( <i>Celithemis eponina</i> )	<u>Blue Fronted Dancer (<i>Argia apicalis</i>)</u>
<u>Fragile Forktail (<i>Ischnura posita</i>)</u>	

### **Mammals:**

White-tailed Deer

**Reptiles:**

Ground Skink

Diamondback Watersnake

**Spiders:**Golden silk Orbweaver (*Nephila clavipes*)Orbweaver (*Araneus bicentarius*)Yellow Garden Spider (*Argiope aurantia*)Arrowshaped Orbweaver (*Micrathena* sp.)**Wildflowers:**Mistflower (*Eupatorium coelestinum*)Turk's cap (*Malvaviscus drummondii*)Texas dandelion (*Pyrrhopappas multicaulis*)Alligatorweed (*Alternanthera philoxeroides*)Staggler daisy (*Calyptocarpus vialis*)Powerpuff (*Mimosa strigillosa*)Eryngo (not blooming) (*Eryngium leavenworthii*)Carolina horse-nettle (*Solanum carolinense*)Skullcap specie (genus *Scutellaria*)Curly-leaf dock (*Rumex crispus*)Evening primrose (*Oenothera speciosa*)Plain coreopsis (*Coreopsis tinctoria*)Spiderwort specie (genus *Tradescantia*)Yellow passionflower (nb) (*Passifora incarnata*)Mallow specie (genus *Hibiscus*)White clover (*Trifolium repens*)Smartweed (*Polygonum pennsylvanicum*)Texas frog-fruit (*Phyla incisa*)Dwarf dandelion (*Krigia oppositifolia*)Erect dayflower (*Commelina erecta*)Texan vervain (*Verbena haliei*)Brazilian vervain (*Verbena brasiliensis*)Mexican hat (*Ratibida columnaris*)Violet ruellia (*Ruellia nudiflora*)Broom-wood (*Melochia corchorifolia*)**Trees, Shrubs, Vines, and Grasses:**Pecan (*Carya illinoensis*)American sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*)Red cedar (genus *Juniperus*)Chinese tallow (*Sapium sebiferum*)Sugarberry (*Celtis laevigata*)Bald cypress (*Taxodium distichum*)Green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*)Live oak (*Quercus virginiana*)

Pine (genus) (Probably Loblolly)

Poison ivy (*Toxicodendrum radicans*)Cedar elm (*Ulmus crassifolia*)Osage orange (*Maclura pumifolia*)Red mulberry (*Morus rubra*)Chinaberry (*Melia azedarach*)Dwarf palmetto (*Sabal minor*)Mimosa (*Alibizia julibrissin*)Elderberry (Blooming) (*Sambucus Canadensis*)Honey locust (*Gleditis triacanthos*)Trumpet-vine (*Campis radican*)Rough-leaf dogwood (*Cornus drummondii*)Carolina cherry laurel (*Prunus caroliniana*)Redbud (*Crecis Canadensis*)Black walnut (*Juglans nigra*)Box elder (*Acer negundo*)Wax-leaf ligustrum (genus *ligustrum*)Water oak (*Quercus negra*)Western soapberry (*Sapindus drummondii*)Yucca specie (genus *Yucca*)Sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*)Catalpa specie (genus *Catalpa*)

Banana tree ( ???)

Gum bumelia (*Bumelia lanuginose*)Black willow (*dalix nigra*)Buffalograss (*Buchloe dactyloides*)Deciduous holly (*Ilex deciduas*)Hawthorn specie (probably *Crataegus texana*)Chinese privet (*Ligustrum sinense*)Camphor tree (*Cinnamomum comphora*)Swamp privet (*Forestiera acuminata*)

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