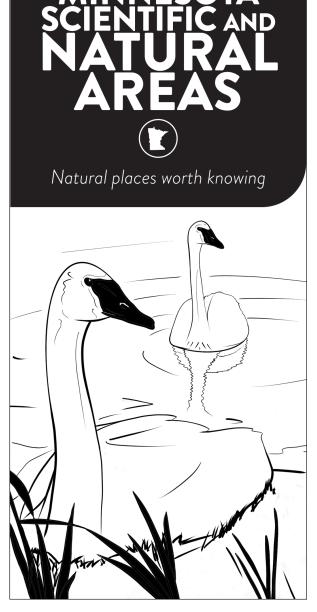
## **BIRD CHECKLIST**

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	Sp	S	F	W		Sp	S	F
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS					SHRIKES			
Canada Goose	Χ				Loggerhead Shrike		Χ	
Northern Shoveler	Х				Northern Shrike			Х
Mallard	Χ	Χ			JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES			
Northern Pintail		Х			Blue Jay			Χ
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANT	S				American Crow		Χ	
Greater Prairie-Chicken	Χ			Х	LARKS			
Ring-necked Pheasant	Χ		Χ	Х	Horned Lark			Χ
PIGEONS AND DOVES					SWALLOWS			
Rock Pigeon				Х	Barn Swallow		Χ	
Mourning Dove	Χ	Χ			WRENS			
PLOVERS					House Wren	Χ		
Killdeer	Χ				Sedge Wren	Х	Χ	
SANDPIPERS					STARLINGS			
Upland Sandpiper	Χ	Χ			European Starling	Χ		
Marbled Godwit	Χ	Χ			MIMIDS			
Wilson's Snipe	Χ				Brown Thrasher		Χ	
Wilson's Phalarope	Χ	Χ			THRUSHES			
PELICANS					Eastern Bluebird			Χ
American White Pelican	Χ				American Robin	Χ		
HERONS AND EGRETS					WAXWINGS			
Great Blue Heron			Χ		Cedar Waxwing			Χ
NEW WORLD VULTURES					PIPITS			
Turkey Vulture		Χ			American Pipit			Χ
HAWKS AND EAGLES					FINCHES			
Northern Harrier		Χ	Χ		American Goldfinch	Χ	Χ	
Red-tailed Hawk		Χ	Χ		LONGSPURS AND SNOW BUNTINGS			
OWLS					Lapland Longspur			Χ
Short-eared Owl	Χ	Χ	Χ		Snow Bunting			Χ
WOODPECKERS					SPARROWS			
Downy Woodpecker			Χ		Chipping Sparrow			Χ
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS					Clay-colored Sparrow	Χ	Χ	
Eastern Wood-Pewee			Χ		Fox Sparrow			Χ
Willow Flycatcher		Х			Dark-eyed Junco			Χ
Least Flycatcher	Χ				White-throated Sparrow			Χ
Western Kingbird	Χ				LeConte's Sparrow	Χ	Χ	
Eastern Kingbird	Χ	Х			Savannah Sparrow	Χ	Χ	Χ
VIREOS					Song Sparrow	Χ	Χ	Χ
Warbling Vireo	Χ				Swamp Sparrow	Χ	Χ	
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	Sp	S	F	W						
BLACKBIRDS										
Bobolink	Χ	Χ								
Western Meadowlark	Χ	Χ	Χ							
Red-winged Blackbird	Χ	Χ	Χ							
Brown-headed Cowbird	Χ									
Common Grackle	Χ	Χ								
WARBLERS										
Common Yellowthroat	Χ	Χ								
Yellow Warbler	Χ									
Yellow-rumped Warbler			Χ							
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS										
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	Χ									
Dickcissel		Χ								

## **Seasonal Occurrence Key**

- Sp Spring (March through May)
- S Summer (June through July)
- **F** Fall (August through November)
- **W** Winter (December through February)
- **C** Common (seen every year/season)
- **U** Uncommon (seen every 2-3 years/season)
- O Occasional (seen every 4-9 years/season)
- **R** Rare (seen less than once every 10 years/season)
- X Observed during season, data insufficient for calculating occurrence

## **Bird Identification Tips**

When you observe a bird, make note of at least **three** characteristics:

**Location** - Where did you see the bird (water, forest, feeder, lower branch, tree trunk)?

**Body size and shape** - Compare it to a known bird (smaller than a... bigger than a... plump like a... slender like a...). Looks at its tail, legs, and bill (long, short, thick, thin, curved, straight).

**Colors and markings** - Look on wings, tail, back, belly, rump, and head (stripe above eye, white spot on tail, etc.).

**Sounds and movements** - How does it act and sound (traveling alone or in groups, soaring, flapping, flap and glide, etc.)?

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