

BIRD CHECKLIST

Swedes Forest SNA

MINNESOTA  
SCIENTIFIC AND  
NATURAL  
AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
___ Snow Goose				X
___ Canada Goose	X	X		X
___ Trumpeter Swan			X	
___ Wood Duck	X	X	X	
___ Blue-winged Teal	X			
___ Gadwall	X			
___ Mallard	X	X	X	
___ Green-winged Teal			X	
___ Ring-necked Duck	X		X	
___ Bufflehead	X			
___ Hooded Merganser	X	X	X	
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
___ Northern Bobwhite		X	X	
___ Wild Turkey	X		X	
___ Ring-necked Pheasant	X	X	X	
GREBES				
___ Pied-billed Grebe	X	X		
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
___ Mourning Dove	X	X	X	
CUCKOOS				
___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo		X		
SWIFTS				
___ Chimney Swift			X	
HUMMINGBIRDS				
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird		X	X	
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS				
___ Sora		X	X	
PLOVERS				
___ Killdeer	X	X	X	
SANDPIPERS				
___ Wilson's Snipe	X			
GULLS AND TERNS				
___ Ring-billed Gull	X			
CORMORANTS				
___ Double-crested Cormorant			X	
PELICANS				
___ American White Pelican	X	X		

	Sp	S	F	W
HERONS AND EGRETS				
___ Great Blue Heron			X	
___ Green Heron		X		
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
___ Turkey Vulture	X	X	X	
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk	X		X	
___ Cooper's Hawk	X		X	
___ Bald Eagle	X	X	X	X
___ Red-shouldered Hawk		X		
___ Red-tailed Hawk	X	X	X	
___ Rough-legged Hawk				X
KINGFISHERS				
___ Belted Kingfisher	X	X	X	
WOODPECKERS				
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X	X	X	
___ Red-headed Woodpecker			X	
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker		X	X	
___ Downy Woodpecker		X	X	X
___ Hairy Woodpecker	X	X	X	
___ Pileated Woodpecker	X	X	X	
___ Northern Flicker	X	X	X	
FALCONS				
___ American Kestrel	X		X	
___ Merlin			X	
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
___ Olive-sided Flycatcher			X	
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee		X	X	
___ Alder Flycatcher			X	
___ Willow Flycatcher		X	X	
___ Least Flycatcher			X	
___ Eastern Phoebe			X	
___ Great Crested Flycatcher		X	X	
___ Western Kingbird		X		
___ Eastern Kingbird	X	X	X	
VIREOS				
___ Yellow-throated Vireo		X	X	
___ Warbling Vireo		X	X	
___ Red-eyed Vireo		X	X	

	Sp	S	F	W
SHRIKES				
___ Northern Shrike			X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
___ Blue Jay	X	X	X	X
___ American Crow	X	X	X	
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
___ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	X
SWALLOWS				
___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	X	X		
___ Tree Swallow	X	X	X	
___ Bank Swallow	X	X	X	
___ Barn Swallow	X	X	X	
___ Cliff Swallow	X	X		
KINGLETS				
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
NUTHATCHES				
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch			X	
___ White-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	
CREEPERS				
___ Brown Creeper	X			
GNATCATCHERS				
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		X	X	
WRENS				
___ House Wren		X	X	
___ Winter Wren			X	
___ Sedge Wren		X	X	
___ Marsh Wren		X	X	
STARLINGS				
___ European Starling	X	X	X	
MIMIDS				
___ Gray Catbird		X	X	
___ Brown Thrasher		X		
___ Northern Mockingbird	X			
THRUSHES				
___ Eastern Bluebird	X	X	X	X
___ Swainson's Thrush			X	
___ Hermit Thrush			X	
___ Wood Thrush		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
__ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing	X	X	X	
FINCHES				
__ Purple Finch			X	X
__ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	
SPARROWS				
__ Chipping Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Clay-colored Sparrow		X	X	
__ Field Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lark Sparrow		X		
__ American Tree Sparrow			X	
__ Fox Sparrow	X		X	
__ Dark-eyed Junco	X		X	X
__ White-crowned Sparrow	X			
__ Harris's Sparrow			X	
__ White-throated Sparrow			X	
__ Vesper Sparrow		X	X	
__ Song Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lincoln's Sparrow			X	
__ Eastern Towhee		X		
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Yellow-headed Blackbird		X		
__ Bobolink	X	X		
__ Orchard Oriole		X		
__ Baltimore Oriole	X	X	X	
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X		
__ Common Grackle	X	X		
WARBLERS				
__ Ovenbird		X	X	
__ Tennessee Warbler			X	
__ Nashville Warbler			X	
__ Connecticut Warbler			X	
__ Common Yellowthroat		X	X	
__ American Redstart		X	X	
__ Northern Parula			X	
__ Magnolia Warbler			X	
__ Bay-breasted Warbler			X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Blackburnian Warbler			X	
__ Yellow Warbler	X	X	X	
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler			X	
__ Canada Warbler			X	
__ Wilson's Warbler			X	
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Scarlet Tanager		X	X	
__ Northern Cardinal	X	X	X	
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	X	X	X	
__ Blue Grosbeak		X		
__ Indigo Bunting	X	X	X	
__ Dickcissel		X		

### 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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