

BIRD CHECKLIST

Spring Beauty Northern  
Hardwoods SNA

MINNESOTA  
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NATURAL  
AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
___ Trumpeter Swan			X	
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
___ Ruffed Grouse	X	X	X	
CRANES				
___ Sandhill Crane			X	
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
___ Turkey Vulture			X	
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
___ Bald Eagle			X	
___ Broad-winged Hawk		X	X	
WOODPECKERS				
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X	X		
___ Downy Woodpecker	X	X	X	
___ Hairy Woodpecker		X	X	
___ Pileated Woodpecker		X		
___ Northern Flicker			X	
FALCONS				
___ Merlin			X	
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee		X		
___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher		X		
___ Alder Flycatcher		X		
___ Least Flycatcher	X	X		
___ Eastern Phoebe	X	X		
___ Great Crested Flycatcher		X		
VIREOS				
___ Philadelphia Vireo			X	
___ Red-eyed Vireo		X	X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
___ Blue Jay	X		X	
___ American Crow		X	X	
___ Common Raven	X	X	X	
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
___ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	
KINGLETS				
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet			X	
NUTHATCHES				
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	

	Sp	S	F	W
___ White-breasted Nuthatch	X		X	
WRENS				
___ Winter Wren		X		
THRUSHES				
___ Veery		X		
___ Swainson's Thrush		X		
___ Hermit Thrush	X	X		
___ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
___ Cedar Waxwing			X	
FINCHES				
___ Evening Grosbeak			X	
___ Common Redpoll			X	
___ American Goldfinch		X		
SPARROWS				
___ Chipping Sparrow		X		
___ American Tree Sparrow			X	
___ Dark-eyed Junco			X	
___ White-throated Sparrow		X	X	
___ Song Sparrow		X		
WARBLERS				
___ Ovenbird	X	X		
___ Black-and-white Warbler		X		
___ Nashville Warbler		X		
___ Mourning Warbler		X		
___ American Redstart	X	X		
___ Northern Parula		X		
___ Magnolia Warbler		X		
___ Blackburnian Warbler		X		
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler	X	X	X	
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler		X		
___ Palm Warbler			X	
___ Black-throated Green Warbler	X	X	X	
___ Canada Warbler		X		
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
___ Scarlet Tanager		X		
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak		X		
___ Indigo Bunting		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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