

BIRD CHECKLIST

Blue Devil Valley SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
___ Canada Goose	X	X	X	X
___ Trumpeter Swan	X			
___ Wood Duck	X	X	X	
___ Blue-winged Teal	X		X	
___ Mallard	X	X	X	
___ Ring-necked Duck	X			
___ Lesser Scaup	X			
___ Hooded Merganser	X			
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
___ Wild Turkey	X	X		
___ Ring-necked Pheasant	X		X	X
GREBES				
___ Pied-billed Grebe	X		X	
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
___ Mourning Dove	X	X	X	
SWIFTS				
___ Chimney Swift	X		X	
HUMMINGBIRDS				
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird			X	
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS				
___ Sora	X			
PLOVERS				
___ Killdeer	X			
SANDPIPERS				
___ Wilson's Snipe			X	
___ Spotted Sandpiper	X			
___ Greater Yellowlegs			X	
GULLS AND TERNS				
___ Ring-billed Gull	X	X		
CORMORANTS				
___ Double-crested Cormorant	X			
PELICANS				
___ American White Pelican	X	X	X	
HERONS AND EGRETS				
___ Great Blue Heron	X		X	
___ Great Egret			X	
___ Green Heron		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
___ Turkey Vulture	X	X		
OSPREYS				
___ Osprey	X			
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk			X	
___ Cooper's Hawk		X		X
___ Bald Eagle	X		X	
___ Broad-winged Hawk	X			
___ Red-tailed Hawk	X		X	
___ Rough-legged Hawk	X			
OWLS				
___ Great Horned Owl	X	X		
KINGFISHERS				
___ Belted Kingfisher	X		X	
WOODPECKERS				
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X	X	X	
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker	X	X	X	X
___ Downy Woodpecker	X	X	X	X
___ Hairy Woodpecker	X	X	X	X
___ Pileated Woodpecker	X	X		X
___ Northern Flicker	X	X	X	X
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee	X	X	X	
___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	X			
___ Alder Flycatcher	X		X	
___ Willow Flycatcher	X	X		
___ Least Flycatcher	X		X	
___ Eastern Phoebe	X		X	
___ Great Crested Flycatcher	X	X	X	
___ Eastern Kingbird	X			
VIREOS				
___ Yellow-throated Vireo	X	X		
___ Blue-headed Vireo	X			
___ Warbling Vireo	X	X	X	
___ Red-eyed Vireo	X	X	X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
___ Blue Jay	X	X	X	X
___ American Crow	X	X	X	X

	Sp	S	F	W
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
___ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	X
SWALLOWS				
___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	X	X		
___ Purple Martin	X			
___ Tree Swallow	X	X	X	
___ Barn Swallow	X	X	X	
___ Cliff Swallow	X	X		
KINGLETS				
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	X		X	X
NUTHATCHES				
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	X		X	
___ White-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	X
CREEPERS				
___ Brown Creeper	X		X	X
GNATCATCHERS				
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	X	X	X	
WRENS				
___ House Wren	X	X	X	
___ Winter Wren	X			X
___ Marsh Wren		X		
STARLINGS				
___ European Starling	X		X	
MIMIDS				
___ Gray Catbird	X	X	X	
THRUSHES				
___ Eastern Bluebird	X	X	X	
___ Swainson's Thrush	X			
___ Hermit Thrush	X		X	
___ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
___ Cedar Waxwing	X	X	X	
OLD WORLD SPARROWS				
___ House Sparrow	X	X	X	X
FINCHES				
___ House Finch	X		X	X
___ Purple Finch	X		X	X
___ Common Redpoll	X			

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Pine Siskin	X		X	X
__ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	X
SPARROWS				
__ Chipping Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Clay-colored Sparrow	X			
__ Field Sparrow	X		X	
__ American Tree Sparrow			X	X
__ Fox Sparrow	X		X	X
__ Dark-eyed Junco	X		X	X
__ White-crowned Sparrow			X	
__ Harris's Sparrow	X		X	X
__ White-throated Sparrow	X		X	X
__ Savannah Sparrow			X	
__ Song Sparrow	X	X	X	X
__ Lincoln's Sparrow	X		X	
__ Swamp Sparrow	X		X	
__ Eastern Towhee	X			
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Bobolink	X			
__ Orchard Oriole	X	X		
__ Baltimore Oriole	X	X	X	
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X		
__ Rusty Blackbird				X
__ Brewer's Blackbird	X			
__ Common Grackle	X	X	X	
WARBLERS				
__ Ovenbird	X			
__ Northern Waterthrush	X			
__ Black-and-white Warbler	X		X	
__ Tennessee Warbler	X		X	
__ Orange-crowned Warbler	X		X	
__ Nashville Warbler	X		X	
__ Mourning Warbler	X			
__ Common Yellowthroat	X	X	X	
__ American Redstart	X		X	
__ Cape May Warbler	X			
__ Northern Parula	X			
__ Magnolia Warbler	X			

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Bay-breasted Warbler			X	
__ Blackburnian Warbler			X	
__ Yellow Warbler	X	X	X	
__ Blackpoll Warbler	X			
__ Palm Warbler	X			
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	X		X	
__ Wilson's Warbler	X			
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Northern Cardinal	X	X	X	X
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	X	X	X	
__ Blue Grosbeak		X	X	
__ Indigo Bunting	X	X	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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