

BIRD CHECKLIST

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Prairie SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck	X			
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Wild Turkey	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruffed Grouse	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Pheasant	X	X	X	
GREBES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed Grebe			X	
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove	X	X	X	
HUMMINGBIRDS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-throated Hummingbird			X	
CRANES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill Crane	X		X	
PLOVERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer	X			
SANDPIPERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Woodcock	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary Sandpiper	X			
CORMORANTS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant	X			
HERONS AND EGRETS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron	X			
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cooper's Hawk	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-shouldered Hawk	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged Hawk		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk		X	X	
OWLS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Horned Owl	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-eared Owl			X	

	Sp	S	F	W
KINGFISHERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher		X		
WOODPECKERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-headed Woodpecker				X
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-bellied Woodpecker	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker	X	X	X	
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Wood-Pewee		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Alder Flycatcher		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Willow Flycatcher				X
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Crested Flycatcher	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird		X		
VIRES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-throated Vireo		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia Vireo	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Warbling Vireo	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo		X	X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Jay	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Crow	X	X	X	X
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	
LARKS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Lark			X	
SWALLOWS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Rough-winged Swallow	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Swallow		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow	X	X	X	
KINGLETS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-crowned Kinglet	X		X	

	Sp	S	F	W
NUTHATCHES				
__ Red-breasted Nuthatch			X	
__ White-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	
WRENS				
__ House Wren	X	X	X	
__ Winter Wren	X		X	
__ Sedge Wren	X		X	
__ Marsh Wren		X		
STARLINGS				
__ European Starling	X		X	
MIMIDS				
__ Gray Catbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown Thrasher	X		X	
THRUSHES				
__ Eastern Bluebird	X	X	X	
__ Veery		X	X	
__ Swainson's Thrush	X			
__ Hermit Thrush	X			
__ Wood Thrush	X	X		
__ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing		X	X	
OLD WORLD SPARROWS				
__ House Sparrow		X	X	
PIPITS				
__ American Pipit			X	
FINCHES				
__ House Finch	X	X	X	
__ Purple Finch			X	
__ Common Redpoll			X	X
__ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	
LONGSPURS AND SNOW BUNTINGS				
__ Lapland Longspur			X	
SPARROWS				
__ Chipping Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Clay-colored Sparrow		X	X	
__ American Tree Sparrow	X		X	
__ Fox Sparrow	X		X	
__ Dark-eyed Junco	X		X	X

	Sp	S	F	W
__ White-crowned Sparrow			X	
__ Harris's Sparrow	X		X	
__ White-throated Sparrow	X		X	
__ Vesper Sparrow	X		X	
__ Song Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lincoln's Sparrow	X		X	
__ Swamp Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Eastern Towhee	X			
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Bobolink			X	
__ Baltimore Oriole	X	X		
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X		
__ Rusty Blackbird			X	
__ Common Grackle	X	X	X	
WARBLERS				
__ Ovenbird	X		X	
__ Northern Waterthrush	X			
__ Golden-winged Warbler			X	
__ Black-and-white Warbler	X		X	
__ Tennessee Warbler	X			
__ Orange-crowned Warbler	X		X	
__ Nashville Warbler			X	
__ Common Yellowthroat	X	X	X	
__ American Redstart		X	X	
__ Cape May Warbler			X	
__ Bay-breasted Warbler			X	
__ Yellow Warbler	X	X		
__ Palm Warbler	X			
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	X		X	
__ Black-throated Green Warbler	X			
__ Wilson's Warbler	X		X	
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Northern Cardinal	X	X	X	
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	X	X	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.)?

Data for this checklist were sourced from eBird as well as MNDNR staff and contractor observations. Checklist organization follows the most current Clements checklist and eBird taxonomy.

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