

BIRD CHECKLIST

Blanket Flower Prairie SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
___ Canada Goose			X	
___ Wood Duck	X			
___ Mallard	X	X	X	
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
___ Wild Turkey	X		X	
___ Ruffed Grouse	X		X	
___ Greater Prairie-Chicken	X			
___ Ring-necked Pheasant	X	X	X	
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
___ Mourning Dove	X	X	X	
HUMMINGBIRDS				
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird		X		
CRANES				
___ Sandhill Crane	X			
PLOVERS				
___ Killdeer	X		X	
GULLS AND TERNS				
___ Franklin's Gull	X			
___ Ring-billed Gull			X	
HERONS AND EGRETS				
___ Great Blue Heron			X	
___ Green Heron		X		
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
___ Turkey Vulture	X		X	
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
___ Northern Harrier			X	
___ Cooper's Hawk	X			
___ Bald Eagle			X	
___ Broad-winged Hawk		X		
___ Red-tailed Hawk	X	X	X	
___ Rough-legged Hawk	X			
OWLS				
___ Great Horned Owl			X	
WOODPECKERS				
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X	X	X	
___ Red-headed Woodpecker		X		
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker	X		X	
___ Downy Woodpecker	X	X	X	

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Hairy Woodpecker			X	
___ Pileated Woodpecker			X	
___ Northern Flicker	X	X	X	
FALCONS				
___ American Kestrel	X		X	
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee		X	X	
___ Alder Flycatcher	X			
___ Least Flycatcher	X	X	X	
___ Eastern Phoebe			X	
___ Great Crested Flycatcher	X	X		
___ Eastern Kingbird	X	X	X	
VIREOS				
___ Yellow-throated Vireo		X		
___ Warbling Vireo		X		
___ Red-eyed Vireo		X	X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
___ Blue Jay	X	X	X	
___ American Crow	X	X	X	
___ Common Raven			X	
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
___ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	
LARKS				
___ Horned Lark	X			
SWALLOWS				
___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	X			
___ Tree Swallow	X	X	X	
___ Bank Swallow	X	X	X	
___ Barn Swallow	X	X	X	
___ Cliff Swallow			X	
KINGLETS				
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet			X	
NUTHATCHES				
___ White-breasted Nuthatch		X	X	
CREEPERS				
___ Brown Creeper			X	
GNATCATCHERS				
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
WRENS				
__ House Wren	X	X	X	
__ Sedge Wren		X	X	
STARLINGS				
__ European Starling			X	
MIMIDS				
__ Gray Catbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown Thrasher	X	X		
THRUSHES				
__ Eastern Bluebird	X	X	X	
__ Veery		X		
__ Hermit Thrush			X	
__ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing		X	X	
FINCHES				
__ House Finch	X			
__ Purple Finch			X	
__ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	
LONGSPURS AND SNOW BUNTINGS				
__ Lapland Longspur			X	
SPARROWS				
__ Grasshopper Sparrow	X			
__ Chipping Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Clay-colored Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Field Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lark Sparrow	X			
__ American Tree Sparrow	X		X	
__ Fox Sparrow			X	
__ Dark-eyed Junco			X	
__ Harris's Sparrow			X	
__ Vesper Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Savannah Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Song Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lincoln's Sparrow			X	
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Bobolink	X			
__ Western Meadowlark			X	
__ Baltimore Oriole			X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X	X	
__ Rusty Blackbird			X	
__ Common Grackle	X		X	
WARBLERS				
__ Orange-crowned Warbler	X		X	
__ Common Yellowthroat		X	X	
__ American Redstart		X	X	
__ Yellow Warbler	X	X	X	
__ Palm Warbler	X			
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	X		X	
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Scarlet Tanager		X		
__ Northern Cardinal			X	
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	X		X	
__ Indigo Bunting	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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