

BIRD CHECKLIST

Hastings Sand Coulee SNA

MINNESOTA
SCIENTIFIC AND
NATURAL
AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
__ Canada Goose	O	X	X	X
__ Trumpeter Swan				X
__ Tundra Swan	O			X
__ Wood Duck	O			
__ Mallard	O	X	X	X
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
__ Wild Turkey	O	X	X	X
__ Ruffed Grouse	O			
__ Gray Partridge				X
__ Ring-necked Pheasant	U	X	X	X
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
__ Rock Pigeon	O	X		X
__ Eurasian Collared-Dove	O	X	X	
__ Mourning Dove	O	X	X	X
CUCKOOS				
__ Yellow-billed Cuckoo		X		
__ Black-billed Cuckoo	O	X		
NIGHTJARS				
__ Common Nighthawk	O	X		
__ Eastern Whip-poor-will	O	X		
SWIFTS				
__ Chimney Swift		X		
HUMMINGBIRDS				
__ Ruby-throated Hummingbird		X	X	
CRANES				
__ Sandhill Crane	O			
PLOVERS				
__ Killdeer	O	X		
SANDPIPERS				
__ American Woodcock	U	X		
GULLS AND TERNS				
__ Ring-billed Gull	O			
__ Black Tern		X		
PELICANS				
__ American White Pelican	O			
HERONS AND EGRETS				
__ Great Blue Heron	O	X	X	
__ Green Heron		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
__ Turkey Vulture	U	X		
OSPREYS				
__ Osprey	O			
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
__ Northern Harrier	O	X		X
__ Sharp-shinned Hawk	O		X	X
__ Cooper's Hawk	O	X	X	X
__ Northern Goshawk				X
__ Bald Eagle	O	X	X	X
__ Broad-winged Hawk		X		
__ Red-tailed Hawk	O	X	X	X
__ Rough-legged Hawk				X
OWLS				
__ Great Horned Owl	O			X
__ Barred Owl	O		X	
__ Long-eared Owl				X
__ Northern Saw-whet Owl				X
WOODPECKERS				
__ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	O	X		
__ Red-headed Woodpecker			X	
__ Red-bellied Woodpecker	U	X	X	X
__ Downy Woodpecker	O	X	X	X
__ Hairy Woodpecker	O	X	X	X
__ Pileated Woodpecker	O	X	X	X
__ Northern Flicker	U	X	X	X
FALCONS				
__ American Kestrel	O	X	X	X
__ Merlin				X
__ Peregrine Falcon		X		
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
__ Olive-sided Flycatcher	O	X		
__ Eastern Wood-Pewee	O	X	X	
__ Alder Flycatcher	O	X		
__ Willow Flycatcher		X		
__ Least Flycatcher	O	X		
__ Eastern Phoebe	O	X	X	
__ Great Crested Flycatcher	O	X	X	
__ Eastern Kingbird	O	X	X	

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VIREOS				
__ Bell's Vireo		X		
__ Yellow-throated Vireo	O	X		
__ Blue-headed Vireo	O			
__ Philadelphia Vireo	O			
__ Warbling Vireo		X	X	
__ Red-eyed Vireo		X		
SHRIKES				
__ Loggerhead Shrike	O			
__ Northern Shrike			X	X
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
__ Blue Jay	U	X	X	X
__ American Crow	U	X	X	X
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
__ Black-capped Chickadee	O	X	X	X
LARKS				
__ Horned Lark	O	X		
SWALLOWS				
__ Northern Rough-winged Swallow		X		
__ Purple Martin		X	X	
__ Tree Swallow	O	X	X	
__ Bank Swallow	O	X		
__ Barn Swallow	O	X	X	
__ Cliff Swallow		X		
KINGLETS				
__ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	O		X	
__ Golden-crowned Kinglet	O			
NUTHATCHES				
__ Red-breasted Nuthatch	O		X	X
__ White-breasted Nuthatch	O	X	X	X
CREEPERS				
__ Brown Creeper	O			X
GNATCATCHERS				
__ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	O	X	X	
WRENS				
__ House Wren	O	X	X	
__ Sedge Wren		X		
__ Marsh Wren		X		
__ Bewick's Wren		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
STARLINGS				
__ European Starling	O	X	X	X
MIMIDS				
__ Gray Catbird	O	X	X	
__ Brown Thrasher	O	X	X	
__ Northern Mockingbird		X		
THRUSHES				
__ Eastern Bluebird	U	X	X	X
__ Townsend's Solitaire			X	
__ Swainson's Thrush	O			
__ Hermit Thrush	O			
__ Wood Thrush	O	X		
__ American Robin	U	X	X	X
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing	O	X	X	X
OLD WORLD SPARROWS				
__ House Sparrow	O	X		X
FINCHES				
__ House Finch	O	X	X	X
__ Purple Finch			X	X
__ White-winged Crossbill			X	
__ Pine Siskin				X
__ American Goldfinch	U	X	X	X
LONGSPURS AND SNOW BUNTINGS				
__ Lapland Longspur	O		X	X
__ Snow Bunting				X
SPARROWS				
__ Grasshopper Sparrow	O	X	X	
__ Chipping Sparrow	O	X	X	
__ Clay-colored Sparrow	O	X	X	
__ Field Sparrow	U	X	X	
__ Lark Sparrow	O	X		
__ American Tree Sparrow	O		X	X
__ Fox Sparrow	U		X	X
__ Dark-eyed Junco	O		X	X
__ White-throated Sparrow	O		X	
__ Vesper Sparrow	O	X		
__ Savannah Sparrow	O	X	X	
__ Henslow's Sparrow	O	X	X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Song Sparrow	U	X	X	
__ Lincoln's Sparrow	O		X	
__ Swamp Sparrow	O	X		
__ Eastern Towhee	O	X	X	
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Bobolink	O	X		
__ Western Meadowlark	O			
__ Eastern Meadowlark	O	X	X	
__ Orchard Oriole	O	X		
__ Baltimore Oriole	O	X	X	
__ Red-winged Blackbird	O	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	U	X		
__ Rusty Blackbird	O			
__ Brewer's Blackbird	O			
__ Common Grackle	O	X		
WARBLERS				
__ Ovenbird	O	X	X	
__ Golden-winged Warbler	O			
__ Blue-winged Warbler	O	X		
__ Black-and-white Warbler	O			
__ Tennessee Warbler	O		X	
__ Orange-crowned Warbler	O		X	
__ Nashville Warbler			X	
__ Common Yellowthroat	O	X		
__ American Redstart	O	X		
__ Northern Parula	O			
__ Magnolia Warbler	O			
__ Blackburnian Warbler	O			
__ Yellow Warbler	O	X		
__ Chestnut-sided Warbler			X	
__ Palm Warbler	O		X	
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	O		X	
__ Prairie Warbler		X		
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Scarlet Tanager	O	X		
__ Northern Cardinal	U	X	X	X
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	O	X		
__ Blue Grosbeak		X		
__ Indigo Bunting	O	X	X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Dickcissel	O	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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