

# BIRD CHECKLIST

La Salle Lake SNA

## MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



*Natural places worth knowing*



	Sp	S	F	W
<b>DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS</b>				
___ Canada Goose	X			
___ Mallard	X			
<b>GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS</b>				
___ Ruffed Grouse	X	X		
<b>PIGEONS AND DOVES</b>				
___ Mourning Dove		X		
<b>CUCKOOS</b>				
___ Black-billed Cuckoo		X		
<b>SWIFTS</b>				
___ Chimney Swift	X			
<b>RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS</b>				
___ Sora		X		
<b>CRANES</b>				
___ Sandhill Crane		X		
<b>SANDPIPERS</b>				
___ Wilson's Snipe	X			
<b>LOONS</b>				
___ Common Loon	X			
<b>HERONS AND EGRETS</b>				
___ Great Blue Heron		X		
<b>HAWKS AND EAGLES</b>				
___ Bald Eagle	X	X		
<b>OWLS</b>				
___ Barred Owl	X			
<b>KINGFISHERS</b>				
___ Belted Kingfisher	X			
<b>WOODPECKERS</b>				
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X			
___ Red-bellied Woodpecker		X		
___ Black-backed Woodpecker	X			
___ Downy Woodpecker	X			
___ Hairy Woodpecker	X			
___ Pileated Woodpecker	X			
___ Northern Flicker		X		
<b>FALCONS</b>				
___ American Kestrel	X			
<b>TYRANT FLYCATCHERS</b>				
___ Olive-sided Flycatcher		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee		X		
___ Least Flycatcher	X	X		
___ Eastern Kingbird	X	X		
<b>VIREOS</b>				
___ Red-eyed Vireo	X	X		
<b>JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES</b>				
___ Blue Jay	X	X		
___ American Crow	X	X		
<b>CHICKADEES AND TITMICE</b>				
___ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X		
<b>SWALLOWS</b>				
___ Barn Swallow	X			
___ Cliff Swallow	X	X		
<b>NUTHATCHES</b>				
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	X			
___ White-breasted Nuthatch	X			
<b>WRENS</b>				
___ House Wren	X	X		
___ Winter Wren	X			
___ Sedge Wren	X			
<b>MIMIDS</b>				
___ Gray Catbird	X	X		
<b>THRUSHES</b>				
___ Eastern Bluebird	X			
___ Veery	X	X		
___ Hermit Thrush	X			
___ American Robin	X	X		
<b>WAXWINGS</b>				
___ Cedar Waxwing		X		
<b>FINCHES</b>				
___ Purple Finch		X		
___ American Goldfinch	X	X		
<b>SPARROWS</b>				
___ Chipping Sparrow	X	X		
___ Clay-colored Sparrow	X	X		
___ White-throated Sparrow	X	X		
___ Savannah Sparrow	X	X		
___ Song Sparrow	X	X		

Sp S F W

## BLACKBIRDS

<input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore Oriole		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird	X		

## WARBLERS

<input type="checkbox"/> Ovenbird	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-winged Warbler	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-white Warbler	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Warbler	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Nashville Warbler	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Warbler		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Redstart	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Parula		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackburnian Warbler	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Warbler		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chestnut-sided Warbler	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine Warbler		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Green Warbler	X	X	

## CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS

<input type="checkbox"/> Scarlet Tanager	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rose-breasted Grosbeak	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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