

BIRD CHECKLIST

Itasca Wilderness Sanctuary
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MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
__ Trumpeter Swan	X	X	X	
__ Wood Duck	X	X	X	
__ Mallard	X	X		
__ Ring-necked Duck	X			
__ Bufflehead	X			
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
__ Ruffed Grouse	X	X	X	
HUMMINGBIRDS				
__ Ruby-throated Hummingbird		X		
LOONS				
__ Common Loon	X	X		
CORMORANTS				
__ Double-crested Cormorant			X	
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
__ Turkey Vulture		X		
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
__ Northern Harrier	X			
__ Northern Goshawk		X		
__ Bald Eagle	X	X		
__ Red-shouldered Hawk		X		
__ Broad-winged Hawk	X	X		
__ Red-tailed Hawk	X			
WOODPECKERS				
__ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X	X	X	
__ Red-bellied Woodpecker		X		
__ Downy Woodpecker	X		X	
__ Hairy Woodpecker	X	X	X	
__ Pileated Woodpecker		X		
__ Northern Flicker	X	X	X	
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
__ Eastern Wood-Pewee		X	X	
__ Alder Flycatcher	X	X		
__ Least Flycatcher	X	X		
__ Eastern Phoebe	X	X	X	
__ Great Crested Flycatcher	X	X	X	
__ Eastern Kingbird		X	X	
VIREOS				
__ Yellow-throated Vireo		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Red-eyed Vireo		X	X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
__ Blue Jay	X	X	X	
__ American Crow	X	X	X	
__ Common Raven	X	X		
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
__ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	
NUTHATCHES				
__ Red-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	
__ White-breasted Nuthatch	X	X		
CREEPERS				
__ Brown Creeper	X	X		
WRENS				
__ House Wren		X		
__ Winter Wren		X		
MIMIDS				
__ Gray Catbird		X		
THRUSHES				
__ Eastern Bluebird		X		
__ Veery	X	X		
__ Gray-cheeked Thrush	X			
__ Swainson's Thrush	X			
__ Hermit Thrush	X	X		
__ Wood Thrush		X		
__ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing	X	X		
OLD WORLD SPARROWS				
__ House Sparrow		X		
FINCHES				
__ Evening Grosbeak		X		
__ Purple Finch		X		
__ Pine Siskin	X	X		
SPARROWS				
__ Chipping Sparrow	X	X		
__ White-throated Sparrow		X		
__ Song Sparrow	X	X		
__ Swamp Sparrow		X		
__ Eastern Towhee		X		

Sp S F W

BLACKBIRDS

__ Baltimore Oriole	X		
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	X		
__ Common Grackle	X		

WARBLERS

__ Ovenbird	X	X	
__ Golden-winged Warbler	X	X	X
__ Black-and-white Warbler	X	X	
__ Nashville Warbler	X	X	
__ Mourning Warbler		X	
__ Common Yellowthroat	X	X	
__ American Redstart	X	X	
__ Northern Parula	X	X	
__ Magnolia Warbler	X	X	
__ Bay-breasted Warbler	X	X	
__ Blackburnian Warbler	X	X	X
__ Yellow Warbler		X	
__ Chestnut-sided Warbler	X	X	X
__ Pine Warbler	X	X	
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	X	X	
__ Black-throated Green Warbler	X	X	
__ Canada Warbler	X	X	
__ Wilson's Warbler	X		

CARDINALS, GROSBILLS, AND BUNTINGS

__ Scarlet Tanager	X	X	X
__ Northern Cardinal		X	
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	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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