

BIRD CHECKLIST

Greenwater Lake SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
___ Canada Goose	X	X		
___ Trumpeter Swan	X	X		
___ Wood Duck	X	X		
___ Blue-winged Teal	X			
___ Mallard	X		X	
___ Green-winged Teal	X			
___ Ring-necked Duck			X	
___ Common Goldeneye	X			
___ Hooded Merganser	X			
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
___ Wild Turkey		X		
___ Ruffed Grouse	X	X		X
GREBES				
___ Pied-billed Grebe	X			
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
___ Rock Pigeon		X		
___ Mourning Dove	X		X	
HUMMINGBIRDS				
___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird	X			
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS				
___ Sora		X		
___ American Coot	X			
CRANES				
___ Sandhill Crane		X		
PLOVERS				
___ Killdeer	X			
SANDPIPERS				
___ Wilson's Snipe		X		
___ Solitary Sandpiper	X			
___ Greater Yellowlegs	X			
___ Lesser Yellowlegs	X			
GULLS AND TERNS				
___ Ring-billed Gull	X		X	
LOONS				
___ Common Loon	X	X		
HERONS AND EGRETS				
___ Great Blue Heron		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
___ Turkey Vulture	X	X	X	
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
___ Northern Harrier	X			
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk			X	
___ Bald Eagle	X	X	X	X
___ Red-shouldered Hawk		X		
___ Broad-winged Hawk	X	X		
___ Red-tailed Hawk	X		X	
___ Rough-legged Hawk				X
OWLS				
___ Barred Owl	X	X		
KINGFISHERS				
___ Belted Kingfisher	X	X		
WOODPECKERS				
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X	X		
___ Downy Woodpecker	X		X	X
___ Hairy Woodpecker	X	X	X	X
___ Pileated Woodpecker	X	X		X
___ Northern Flicker	X		X	
FALCONS				
___ American Kestrel	X		X	
___ Merlin		X	X	
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
___ Olive-sided Flycatcher	X			
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee	X	X		
___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher		X		
___ Alder Flycatcher		X		
___ Least Flycatcher	X	X		
___ Eastern Phoebe	X			
___ Great Crested Flycatcher		X		
___ Eastern Kingbird	X			
VIREOS				
___ Yellow-throated Vireo		X		
___ Blue-headed Vireo	X			
___ Red-eyed Vireo	X	X		
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
___ Blue Jay	X	X	X	X
___ American Crow	X	X	X	X

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Common Raven	X	X	X	X
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
___ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	X
SWALLOWS				
___ Purple Martin	X	X		
___ Tree Swallow	X	X		
___ Barn Swallow	X	X		
___ Cliff Swallow		X		
KINGLETS				
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
NUTHATCHES				
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	X
___ White-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	X
CREEPERS				
___ Brown Creeper	X		X	
WRENS				
___ House Wren	X			
___ Winter Wren	X		X	
___ Sedge Wren	X	X		
STARLINGS				
___ European Starling			X	
MIMIDS				
___ Gray Catbird	X			
THRUSHES				
___ Eastern Bluebird			X	
___ Veery		X		
___ Gray-cheeked Thrush	X			
___ Swainson's Thrush	X			
___ Hermit Thrush	X	X	X	
___ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
___ Cedar Waxwing		X		
OLD WORLD SPARROWS				
___ House Sparrow	X		X	
PIPITS				
___ American Pipit			X	
FINCHES				
___ Pine Grosbeak				X

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Purple Finch	X	X	X	X
__ Common Redpoll				X
__ Pine Siskin	X		X	X
__ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	

LONGSPURS AND SNOW BUNTINGS

__ Lapland Longspur			X	
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SPARROWS

__ Chipping Sparrow	X	X		
__ American Tree Sparrow	X		X	X
__ Fox Sparrow	X		X	
__ Dark-eyed Junco	X		X	
__ White-crowned Sparrow	X		X	
__ White-throated Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Savannah Sparrow	X			
__ Song Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lincoln's Sparrow			X	
__ Swamp Sparrow	X	X	X	

BLACKBIRDS

__ Bobolink			X	
__ Baltimore Oriole	X	X		
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	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	X		
__ Mourning Warbler	X			
__ Common Yellowthroat	X	X		
__ American Redstart	X	X		
__ Northern Parula	X	X		
__ Magnolia Warbler	X			
__ Blackburnian Warbler	X	X		
__ Yellow Warbler	X	X		
__ Chestnut-sided Warbler	X	X		

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Blackpoll Warbler	X			
__ Palm Warbler	X		X	
__ Pine Warbler	X	X		
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	X	X	X	
__ Black-throated Green Warbler	X	X		
__ Canada Warbler	X			
__ Wilson's Warbler	X			

CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS

__ Scarlet Tanager		X		
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	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.)?

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