

# BIRD CHECKLIST

Pine and Curry Island SNA

## MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



*Natural places worth knowing*



	Sp	S	F	W
<b>DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpeter Swan		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> American Wigeon		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Pintail		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Scaup		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bufflehead			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Goldeneye		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Merganser	X	X	X	
<b>RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Coot			X	
<b>CRANES</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill Crane		X	X	
<b>STILTS AND AVOCETS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Avocet	X			
<b>PLOVERS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied Plover	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> American Golden-Plover	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Plover	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Piping Plover	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer	X	X		
<b>SANDPIPERS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Marbled Godwit	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Turnstone	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Knot	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Sanderling	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Dunlin	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Baird's Sandpiper			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Sandpiper	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> White-rumped Sandpiper	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Buff-breasted Sandpiper			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pectoral Sandpiper		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Sandpiper	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Dowitcher	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Snipe	X			

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<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Phalarope	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Yellowlegs			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Willet	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Yellowlegs	X		X	
<b>GULLS AND TERNS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Bonaparte's Gull		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Franklin's Gull		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Herring Gull		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Caspian Tern		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Tern		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Tern	X	X	X	
<b>LOONS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Loon			X	
<b>CORMORANTS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant		X	X	
<b>PELICANS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> American White Pelican		X	X	
<b>HERONS AND EGRETS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron			X	
<b>NEW WORLD VULTURES</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture	X	X		
<b>HAWKS AND EAGLES</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle	X	X	X	
<b>OWLS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-eared Owl		X		
<b>KINGFISHERS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher			X	
<b>WOODPECKERS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker		X		
<b>FALCONS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Merlin			X	
<b>TYRANT FLYCATCHERS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird		X		
<b>VIREOS</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Warbling Vireo		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo		X		

Sp S F W

**JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES**

___ Black-billed Magpie		X	X	
___ American Crow	X	X	X	
___ Common Raven				X

**SWALLOWS**

___ Purple Martin		X		
___ Tree Swallow		X		
___ Bank Swallow		X		
___ Barn Swallow	X	X	X	

**MIMIDS**

___ Gray Catbird		X		
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**THRUSHES**

___ Veery		X		
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**PIPITS**

___ American Pipit	X	X		
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**SPARROWS**

___ Song Sparrow	X	X		
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**BLACKBIRDS**

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

**WARBLERS**

___ Yellow Warbler		X		
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**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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