

BIRD CHECKLIST

Bonanza Prairie SNA

MINNESOTA
SCIENTIFIC AND
NATURAL
AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
__ Canada Goose	X	X	X	
__ Wood Duck	X	X	X	
__ Blue-winged Teal	X	X	X	
__ Northern Shoveler	X	X	X	
__ Gadwall		X		
__ Mallard	X	X	X	
__ Lesser Scaup	X			
__ Bufflehead	X			
__ Hooded Merganser	X			
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
__ Wild Turkey	X	X	X	
__ Sharp-tailed Grouse			X	
__ Ring-necked Pheasant	X	X	X	
GREBES				
__ Horned Grebe	X			
__ Western Grebe	X			
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
__ Rock Pigeon	X	X		
__ Eurasian Collared-Dove		X		
__ Mourning Dove	X	X	X	
CUCKOOS				
__ Yellow-billed Cuckoo	X			
__ Black-billed Cuckoo	X	X		
NIGHTJARS				
__ Common Nighthawk	X			
SWIFTS				
__ Chimney Swift	X		X	
HUMMINGBIRDS				
__ Ruby-throated Hummingbird			X	
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS				
__ American Coot			X	
PLOVERS				
__ Killdeer	X	X	X	
SANDPIPERS				
__ Upland Sandpiper		X		
__ Pectoral Sandpiper		X		
__ Short-billed Dowitcher		X		
__ Spotted Sandpiper	X		X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Lesser Yellowlegs	X	X		
GULLS AND TERNS				
__ Franklin's Gull	X	X	X	
__ Ring-billed Gull	X	X	X	
__ Caspian Tern	X			
__ Black Tern		X		
LOONS				
__ Common Loon	X		X	
CORMORANTS				
__ Double-crested Cormorant	X	X	X	
PELICANS				
__ American White Pelican	X	X	X	
HERONS AND EGRETS				
__ Great Blue Heron		X		
__ Great Egret	X	X		
__ Green Heron	X		X	
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
__ Turkey Vulture	X	X	X	
OSPREYS				
__ Osprey	X		X	
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
__ Northern Harrier	X		X	
__ Cooper's Hawk	X	X	X	
__ Bald Eagle	X		X	
__ Red-shouldered Hawk			X	
__ Broad-winged Hawk	X		X	
__ Swainson's Hawk	X			
__ Red-tailed Hawk	X	X	X	
__ Rough-legged Hawk			X	
OWLS				
__ Eastern Screech-Owl	X	X	X	
__ Great Horned Owl	X			
KINGFISHERS				
__ Belted Kingfisher			X	
WOODPECKERS				
__ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X	X	X	
__ Red-bellied Woodpecker	X	X	X	
__ Downy Woodpecker	X	X	X	
__ Hairy Woodpecker	X	X	X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Pileated Woodpecker	X	X	X	
__ Northern Flicker	X	X	X	
FALCONS				
__ American Kestrel		X	X	
__ Peregrine Falcon	X			
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
__ Olive-sided Flycatcher	X		X	
__ Eastern Wood-Pewee	X	X	X	
__ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	X		X	
__ Willow Flycatcher		X		
__ Least Flycatcher	X	X	X	
__ Eastern Phoebe	X		X	
__ Great Crested Flycatcher	X	X	X	
__ Western Kingbird	X	X		
__ Eastern Kingbird	X	X	X	
VIREOS				
__ Yellow-throated Vireo	X	X	X	
__ Blue-headed Vireo	X		X	
__ Philadelphia Vireo	X		X	
__ Warbling Vireo	X	X	X	
__ Red-eyed Vireo	X	X	X	
SHRIKES				
__ Loggerhead Shrike			X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
__ Blue Jay	X	X	X	
__ American Crow	X	X	X	
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
__ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	
LARKS				
__ Horned Lark	X	X		
SWALLOWS				
__ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	X	X	X	
__ Purple Martin	X	X	X	
__ Tree Swallow	X	X	X	
__ Barn Swallow	X	X	X	
__ Cliff Swallow	X	X		
KINGLETS				
__ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	X		X	
__ Golden-crowned Kinglet	X		X	

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NUTHATCHES				
__ Red-breasted Nuthatch			X	
__ White-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	
CREEPERS				
__ Brown Creeper	X			
GNATCATCHERS				
__ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	X		X	
WRENS				
__ House Wren	X	X	X	
__ Winter Wren	X		X	
__ Sedge Wren		X		
STARLINGS				
__ European Starling	X	X	X	
MIMIDS				
__ Gray Catbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown Thrasher	X	X	X	
THRUSHES				
__ Eastern Bluebird	X	X	X	
__ Swainson's Thrush	X			
__ Hermit Thrush	X			
__ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing	X	X	X	
OLD WORLD SPARROWS				
__ House Sparrow			X	
FINCHES				
__ House Finch		X	X	
__ Purple Finch			X	
__ Red Crossbill			X	
__ Pine Siskin			X	
__ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	
SPARROWS				
__ Grasshopper Sparrow	X			
__ Chipping Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Clay-colored Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Field Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lark Sparrow	X			
__ American Tree Sparrow			X	
__ Fox Sparrow			X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Dark-eyed Junco	X		X	
__ White-crowned Sparrow			X	
__ Harris's Sparrow	X		X	
__ White-throated Sparrow	X		X	
__ Vesper Sparrow		X	X	
__ LeConte's Sparrow			X	
__ Savannah Sparrow		X	X	
__ Song Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lincoln's Sparrow	X		X	
__ Swamp Sparrow	X		X	
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Yellow-headed Blackbird		X		
__ Bobolink	X	X	X	
__ Western Meadowlark	X			
__ Orchard Oriole	X	X	X	
__ Baltimore Oriole	X	X	X	
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X		
__ Common Grackle	X	X	X	
WARBLERS				
__ Ovenbird		X	X	
__ Northern Waterthrush	X			
__ Black-and-white Warbler	X		X	
__ Tennessee Warbler	X		X	
__ Orange-crowned Warbler	X		X	
__ Nashville Warbler	X		X	
__ Mourning Warbler			X	
__ Common Yellowthroat	X	X	X	
__ American Redstart	X	X	X	
__ Cape May Warbler	X			
__ Northern Parula	X		X	
__ Magnolia Warbler	X		X	
__ Bay-breasted Warbler			X	
__ Blackburnian Warbler	X			
__ Yellow Warbler	X	X	X	
__ Chestnut-sided Warbler	X			
__ Blackpoll Warbler	X		X	
__ Palm Warbler	X		X	
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	X		X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ Black-throated Green Warbler	X			
__ Canada Warbler	X		X	
__ Wilson's Warbler			X	
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Scarlet Tanager	X	X	X	
__ Northern Cardinal	X	X		
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	X	X	X	
__ Indigo Bunting	X	X	X	
__ Dickcissel		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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