

BIRD CHECKLIST

Butterwort Cliffs SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Merganser			X	
GREBES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Grebe			X	
GULLS AND TERNS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Herring Gull	X	X	X	
CORMORANTS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant		X		
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Goshawk		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle	X	X	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rough-legged Hawk			X	
WOODPECKERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker	X			
FALCONS				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Peregrine Falcon	X	X	X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Crow			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Raven	X		X	
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped Chickadee			X	
THRUSHES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Thrush			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Robin			X	
WAXWINGS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing			X	
FINCHES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine Grosbeak			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Redpoll			X	
SPARROWS				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Tree Sparrow			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> White-throated Sparrow	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow		X	X	
WARBLERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Redstart			X	

	Sp	S	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Chestnut-sided Warbler			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.)?

Data for this checklist were sourced from eBird as well as MNDNR staff and contractor observations. Checklist organization follows the most current Clements checklist and eBird taxonomy.

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