

BIRD CHECKLIST

Mound Prairie SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



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NATURAL RESOURCES

Sp S F W

DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS

— Canada Goose	X		
— Trumpeter Swan	X	X	
— Tundra Swan	X		
— Northern Shoveler	X		
— American Wigeon	X		
— Mallard	X		
— Ring-necked Duck	X		
— Greater Scaup	X		
— Lesser Scaup	X		
— Bufflehead	X		
— Common Goldeneye	X		
— Hooded Merganser	X		

GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS

— Ruffed Grouse	X		
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PIGEONS AND DOVES

— Rock Pigeon			X
— Mourning Dove	X	X	X

CUCKOOS

— Yellow-billed Cuckoo		X	
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NIGHTJARS

— Common Nighthawk			X
— Eastern Whip-poor-will			X

HUMMINGBIRDS

— Ruby-throated Hummingbird		X	X
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RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS

— Common Gallinule			X
— American Coot	X		

CRANES

— Sandhill Crane	X		X
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HERONS AND EGRETS

— Great Blue Heron	X	X	
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NEW WORLD VULTURES

— Turkey Vulture	X	X	X
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HAWKS AND EAGLES

— Cooper's Hawk			X
— Bald Eagle		X	X
— Red-tailed Hawk	X	X	X

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OWLS

— Barred Owl			X
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WOODPECKERS

— Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		X	
— Red-headed Woodpecker		X	X
— Red-bellied Woodpecker		X	X
— Downy Woodpecker	X	X	
— Hairy Woodpecker		X	
— Pileated Woodpecker		X	X
— Northern Flicker	X	X	

FALCONS

— American Kestrel			X
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TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

— Eastern Wood-Pewee		X	X
— Eastern Phoebe			X
— Great Crested Flycatcher	X		
— Eastern Kingbird			X

VIREOS

— Yellow-throated Vireo		X	
— Red-eyed Vireo	X	X	

JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES

— Blue Jay	X	X	X
— American Crow		X	X

CHICKADEES AND TITMICE

— Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X
— Tufted Titmouse	X		

LARKS

— Horned Lark			X
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SWALLOWS

— Northern Rough-winged Swallow	X	X	
— Tree Swallow		X	
— Bank Swallow		X	
— Barn Swallow		X	X
— Cliff Swallow	X		

NUTHATCHES

— White-breasted Nuthatch			X
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GNATCATCHERS

— Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	X	X	
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WRENS				
__ House Wren		X		
MIMIDS				
__ Gray Catbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown Thrasher		X	X	
THRUSHES				
__ Eastern Bluebird	X		X	
__ Wood Thrush		X		
__ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing		X	X	
FINCHES				
__ House Finch		X		
__ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	
SPARROWS				
__ Chipping Sparrow		X	X	
__ Clay-colored Sparrow		X		
__ Field Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lark Sparrow	X	X		
__ Song Sparrow		X		
__ Eastern Towhee	X	X	X	
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Eastern Meadowlark	X			
__ Orchard Oriole		X		
__ Baltimore Oriole	X	X		
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X		
__ Brown-headed Cowbird		X		
__ Common Grackle		X		
WARBLERS				
__ Ovenbird	X	X		
__ Blue-winged Warbler	X	X		
__ Black-and-white Warbler			X	
__ Nashville Warbler	X			
__ Common Yellowthroat		X		
__ American Redstart		X		
__ Yellow Warbler	X	X		
__ Chestnut-sided Warbler	X			
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Scarlet Tanager	X			

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__ Northern Cardinal	X	X	X	
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	X	X		
__ Indigo Bunting		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.)?

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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