

BIRD CHECKLIST

Prairie Smoke Dunes SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
___ Canada Goose	X			
___ Trumpeter Swan	X		X	
___ Mallard	X	X		
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
___ Ruffed Grouse	X			
GREBES				
___ Pied-billed Grebe	X			
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
___ Mourning Dove	X	X	X	
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS				
___ Sora	X	X		
CRANES				
___ Sandhill Crane	X	X		
PLOVERS				
___ Killdeer	X			
SANDPIPERS				
___ American Woodcock	X		X	
___ Wilson's Snipe	X			
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
___ Turkey Vulture	X		X	
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
___ Northern Harrier	X	X		
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk			X	
___ Bald Eagle	X		X	
___ Red-tailed Hawk	X	X	X	
___ Rough-legged Hawk	X			
WOODPECKERS				
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X	X	X	
___ Red-headed Woodpecker	X	X		
___ Downy Woodpecker			X	
___ Hairy Woodpecker			X	
___ Northern Flicker	X	X	X	
FALCONS				
___ American Kestrel	X		X	
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee			X	
___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher			X	
___ Alder Flycatcher		X	X	

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Least Flycatcher	X	X	X	
___ Eastern Phoebe		X		
___ Great Crested Flycatcher		X		
___ Western Kingbird	X			
___ Eastern Kingbird		X		
VIREOS				
___ Warbling Vireo		X		
___ Red-eyed Vireo		X		
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
___ Blue Jay	X	X	X	
___ Black-billed Magpie	X		X	
___ American Crow	X	X	X	
___ Common Raven			X	
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
___ Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	
LARKS				
___ Horned Lark			X	
SWALLOWS				
___ Tree Swallow	X	X		
___ Barn Swallow	X		X	
NUTHATCHES				
___ White-breasted Nuthatch			X	
WRENS				
___ House Wren	X	X	X	
___ Sedge Wren	X	X	X	
MIMIDS				
___ Gray Catbird		X		
___ Brown Thrasher			X	
THRUSHES				
___ Eastern Bluebird		X	X	
___ Veery		X		
___ American Robin		X	X	
WAXWINGS				
___ Cedar Waxwing			X	
FINCHES				
___ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	
SPARROWS				
___ Grasshopper Sparrow		X		
___ Chipping Sparrow	X	X		

	Sp	S	F	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Clay-colored Sparrow	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Lark Sparrow		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> American Tree Sparrow			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fox Sparrow			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dark-eyed Junco			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> White-crowned Sparrow			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Harris's Sparrow			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> White-throated Sparrow	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Vesper Sparrow		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> LeConte's Sparrow	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Savannah Sparrow	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln's Sparrow	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Swamp Sparrow		X		

BLACKBIRDS

<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-headed Blackbird	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Bobolink	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Meadowlark	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore Oriole	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Brewer's Blackbird		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Grackle	X	X	X	

WARBLERS

<input type="checkbox"/> Ovenbird		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Waterthrush	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-white Warbler	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Warbler			X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Warbler	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Palm Warbler	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler	X		X	

CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS

<input type="checkbox"/> Rose-breasted Grosbeak	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> 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.)?

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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