

# BIRD CHECKLIST

Oronoco Prairie SNA

## MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



|  | Sp | S | F | W |
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| <b>DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS</b>                   |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose            | X  |   |   |   |
| <b>GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS</b>            |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wild Turkey             | X  | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Pheasant    | X  | X | X |   |
| <b>PIGEONS AND DOVES</b>                         |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove           |    |   | X |   |
| <b>PLOVERS</b>                                   |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer                |    | X |   |   |
| <b>NEW WORLD VULTURES</b>                        |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture          | X  | X | X |   |
| <b>HAWKS AND EAGLES</b>                          |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk         |    | X | X |   |
| <b>WOODPECKERS</b>                               |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red-bellied Woodpecker  |    | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker        |    | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker        |    |   | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker     |    |   | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker        | X  |   | X |   |
| <b>TYRANT FLYCATCHERS</b>                        |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Wood-Pewee      |    | X |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Willow Flycatcher       |    | X |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher        |    | X |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird        |    | X |   |   |
| <b>VIREOS</b>                                    |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo          |    | X |   |   |
| <b>JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES</b>                  |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue Jay                | X  | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Crow           | X  |   | X |   |
| <b>CHICKADEES AND TITMICE</b>                    |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped Chickadee  | X  |   | X |   |
| <b>SWALLOWS</b>                                  |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow            |    | X |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow            |    | X |   |   |
| <b>NUTHATCHES</b>                                |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White-breasted Nuthatch | X  |   |   |   |
| <b>WRENS</b>                                     |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> House Wren              |    | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sedge Wren              |    |   | X |   |

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| <b>MIMIDS</b>                                   |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird           |    |   | X |   |
| <b>THRUSHES</b>                                 |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Bluebird       |    | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Robin         | X  | X | X |   |
| <b>WAXWINGS</b>                                 |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing          |    | X | X |   |
| <b>OLD WORLD SPARROWS</b>                       |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow          |    | X |   |   |
| <b>FINCHES</b>                                  |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Goldfinch     |    | X | X |   |
| <b>SPARROWS</b>                                 |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grasshopper Sparrow    | X  |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chipping Sparrow       |    |   | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Field Sparrow          |    | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dark-eyed Junco        | X  |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White-throated Sparrow |    |   | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vesper Sparrow         | X  |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Savannah Sparrow       | X  |   | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow           | X  | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln's Sparrow      |    |   | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swamp Sparrow          |    |   | X |   |
| <b>BLACKBIRDS</b>                               |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore Oriole       |    | X |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird   | X  | X |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird   |    | X |   |   |
| <b>WARBLERS</b>                                 |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat    |    | X |   |   |
| <b>CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS</b>       |    |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Cardinal      | X  | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rose-breasted Grosbeak |    | X |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Indigo Bunting         |    | X | X |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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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