

BIRD CHECKLIST

Whitney Island SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hooded Merganser	X		X	
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Pheasant	X	X		
GREBES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed Grebe	X		X	
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Pigeon	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove	X	X	X	
CUCKOOS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-billed Cuckoo	X	X		
SWIFTS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Chimney Swift	X	X		
HUMMINGBIRDS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-throated Hummingbird		X	X	
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Coot	X		X	
PLOVERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer	X	X	X	
SANDPIPERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary Sandpiper	X		X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Yellowlegs	X			
GULLS AND TERNS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Tern	X	X		
CORMORANTS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant	X	X	X	
HERONS AND EGRETS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Egret	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Green Heron	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-crowned Night-Heron	X			
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture			X	

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OSPREYS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Osprey	X	X		
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier				X
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk				X
<input type="checkbox"/> Cooper's Hawk		X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle	X			X
<input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged Hawk	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk	X	X		X
OWLS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Barred Owl	X			
KINGFISHERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher	X	X	X	
WOODPECKERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-bellied Woodpecker	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker	X	X	X	X
<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker	X	X	X	
FALCONS				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel	X			X
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Wood-Pewee	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher		X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Crested Flycatcher	X	X		
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird	X	X		
VIREOS				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-throated Vireo	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo	X			
<input type="checkbox"/> Warbling Vireo	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo	X	X	X	
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Jay	X	X	X	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Crow	X	X	X	
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped Chickadee	X	X	X	X

	Sp	S	F	W
SWALLOWS				
__ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	X	X		
__ Purple Martin	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	
NUTHATCHES				
__ White-breasted Nuthatch	X	X	X	
CREEPERS				
__ Brown Creeper	X		X	X
GNATCATCHERS				
__ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher			X	
WRENS				
__ House Wren	X	X	X	
__ Winter Wren			X	
STARLINGS				
__ European Starling	X	X	X	
MIMIDS				
__ Gray Catbird	X	X	X	
THRUSHES				
__ Eastern Bluebird	X	X	X	
__ Gray-cheeked Thrush			X	
__ Hermit Thrush			X	
__ American Robin	X	X	X	
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing	X	X	X	
OLD WORLD SPARROWS				
__ House Sparrow	X	X	X	
FINCHES				
__ House Finch	X	X	X	
__ American Goldfinch	X	X	X	
SPARROWS				
__ Chipping Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Dark-eyed Junco			X	
__ White-crowned Sparrow	X		X	
__ Harris's Sparrow			X	

	Sp	S	F	W
__ White-throated Sparrow	X		X	
__ Song Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Lincoln's Sparrow			X	
__ Swamp Sparrow	X	X	X	
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Yellow-headed Blackbird	X			
__ Baltimore Oriole	X	X		
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X	X	
__ Brown-headed Cowbird	X	X		
__ Common Grackle	X	X	X	
WARBLERS				
__ Ovenbird	X			
__ Northern Waterthrush	X			
__ Black-and-white Warbler	X		X	
__ Tennessee Warbler			X	
__ Orange-crowned Warbler	X		X	
__ Nashville Warbler	X			
__ Common Yellowthroat	X	X	X	
__ American Redstart	X	X	X	
__ Magnolia Warbler	X		X	
__ Yellow Warbler	X	X		
__ Chestnut-sided Warbler	X		X	
__ Palm Warbler	X			
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler	X		X	
__ Wilson's Warbler			X	
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Scarlet Tanager		X		
__ Northern Cardinal	X	X	X	
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	X	X	X	
__ Indigo Bunting	X	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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