

BIRD CHECKLIST

Pin Oak Prairie SNA

MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS				
__ Wood Duck			X	
GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASANTS				
__ Wild Turkey				X
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
__ Rock Pigeon				X
__ Mourning Dove		X		
RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS				
__ Sora	X			
PLOVERS				
__ Killdeer			X	
HERONS AND EGRETS				
__ Great Blue Heron	X		X	
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
__ Turkey Vulture	X	X	X	
HAWKS AND EAGLES				
__ Sharp-shinned Hawk			X	
__ Bald Eagle			X	X
__ Red-tailed Hawk			X	
WOODPECKERS				
__ Red-bellied Woodpecker	X			
__ Downy Woodpecker			X	X
__ Hairy Woodpecker		X		
__ Northern Flicker			X	
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
__ Eastern Phoebe		X		
VIREOS				
__ Yellow-throated Vireo		X		
__ Warbling Vireo		X		
JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES				
__ Blue Jay			X	
__ American Crow		X		X
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
__ Black-capped Chickadee		X	X	X
SWALLOWS				
__ Tree Swallow		X		
__ Cliff Swallow		X		
NUTHATCHES				
__ White-breasted Nuthatch				X

	Sp	S	F	W
WRENS				
__ House Wren		X		
__ Sedge Wren		X		
STARLINGS				
__ European Starling				X
MIMIDS				
__ Gray Catbird	X	X		
__ Brown Thrasher		X		
THRUSHES				
__ Eastern Bluebird	X			
__ American Robin		X	X	
WAXWINGS				
__ Cedar Waxwing		X		
FINCHES				
__ American Goldfinch		X	X	
SPARROWS				
__ Chipping Sparrow	X			
__ Field Sparrow	X	X		
__ Lark Sparrow		X		
__ Dark-eyed Junco				X
__ Harris's Sparrow				X
__ White-throated Sparrow				X
__ Song Sparrow	X	X	X	
__ Swamp Sparrow	X	X		
__ Eastern Towhee		X		
BLACKBIRDS				
__ Baltimore Oriole	X	X		
__ Red-winged Blackbird	X	X		
__ Brown-headed Cowbird		X		
__ Common Grackle		X		
WARBLERS				
__ Blue-winged Warbler		X		
__ Orange-crowned Warbler				X
__ Common Yellowthroat		X		
__ American Redstart		X		
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler				X
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS				
__ Indigo Bunting		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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