

FIELD CHECKLIST OF IOWA BIRDS

Iowa Ornithologists' Union, Revised 2023, 433 Total Species

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This checklist conforms to The American Ornithologists' Union Check-list of North American Birds, 7th ed. and its supplements to date.

Date _____ Time _____ to _____

Location(s) _____

Weather: Temp.: _____ Wind: _____ - _____ mph from _____

Sky _____

Observer(s) _____

Species _____

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IA-BIRD LISTSERV: Reports on current bird sightings are posted almost daily on the IA-BIRD listserv. Post to ia-bird@googlegroups.com. Subscribe at <<http://iowabirds.org>>.

REPORTING SIGHTINGS: Observers are encouraged to submit significant records to the IOU seasonal field reports editors. These may be entered on eBird or the IOU web site <<http://iowabirds.org>> or by sending sightings to the seasonal editor (see inside front cover of Iowa Bird Life for deadlines and addresses).

Unusual sightings should always be substantiated by notes taken at the time of observation and, if possible, with photographs. Species for which details are desirable are indicated with an asterisk (*) on this checklist. Birds listed as Casual or those not on this checklist should always be documented. Documentations may be completed on-line at <http://iowabirdrecords.org/> or sent to the seasonal field reports editor. Also document species seen out of season. Documentations will be reviewed by the field reports editors or the IOU Records Committee.

The IOU, in partnership with Iowa Audubon, is actively involved in identifying Iowa's Important Bird Areas (IBA) and monitoring bird populations in these areas. IBA criteria species—endangered, threatened, or of conservation concern—are indicated on the checklist by a pound sign (#). Please report your encounters with these species.

REGULAR SPECIES

(recorded in at least 7 of last 10 years)

ANATIDAE

- _____ Black-bellied Whistling-Duck
- _____ Snow Goose
- _____ Ross's Goose
- _____ Greater White-fronted Goose
- _____ Cackling Goose
- _____ Canada Goose
- _____ Mute Swan
- _____ Trumpeter Swan
- _____ Tundra Swan
- _____ Wood Duck
- _____ Blue-winged Teal
- _____ Cinnamon Teal
- _____ Northern Shoveler
- _____ Gadwall
- _____ American Wigeon
- _____ Mallard
- _____ American Black Duck
- _____ Northern Pintail
- _____ Green-winged Teal
- _____ Canvasback
- _____ Redhead
- _____ Ring-necked Duck
- _____ Greater Scaup
- _____ Lesser Scaup
- _____ Surf Scoter
- _____ White-winged Scoter
- _____ Black Scoter
- _____ Long-tailed Duck
- _____ Bufflehead
- _____ Common Goldeneye
- _____ Hooded Merganser
- _____ Common Merganser
- _____ Red-breasted Merganser
- _____ Ruddy Duck

ODONTOPHORIDAE

- _____ Northern Bobwhite

PHASIANIDAE

- _____ Wild Turkey
- _____ Ruffed Grouse
- _____ Gray Partridge
- _____ Ring-necked Pheasant

PODICIPEDIDAE

- _____ Pied-billed Grebe
- _____ Horned Grebe
- _____ Red-necked Grebe
- _____ Eared Grebe
- _____ Western Grebe

COLUMBIDAE

- _____ Rock Pigeon
- _____ Eurasian Collared-Dove
- _____ White-winged Dove
- _____ Mourning Dove

CUCULIDAE

- _____ Yellow-billed Cuckoo
- _____ #Black-billed Cuckoo

CAPRIMULGIDAE

- _____ Common Nighthawk
- _____ #Chuck-will's-widow
- _____ Eastern Whip-poor-will

APODIDAE

- _____ Chimney Swift

TROCHILIDAE

- _____ Ruby-throated Hummingbird

RALLIDAE

- _____ Virginia Rail
- _____ Sora
- _____ #Common Gallinule
- _____ American Coot
- _____ Yellow Rail

GRUIDAE

- _____ Sandhill Crane

RECURVIROSTRIDAE

- _____ Black-necked Stilt
- _____ American Avocet

CHARADRIIDAE

- _____ Black-bellied Plover
- _____ American Golden-Plover
- _____ Killdeer
- _____ Semipalmated Plover

- _____ #Piping Plover

SCOLOPACIDAE

- _____ Upland Sandpiper
- _____ Whimbrel
- _____ Hudsonian Godwit
- _____ Marbled Godwit
- _____ Ruddy Turnstone
- _____ Stilt Sandpiper
- _____ Sanderling
- _____ Dunlin
- _____ Baird's Sandpiper
- _____ Least Sandpiper
- _____ White-rumped Sandpiper
- _____ Buff-breasted Sandpiper
- _____ Pectoral Sandpiper
- _____ Semipalmated Sandpiper
- _____ Western Sandpiper
- _____ Short-billed Dowitcher
- _____ Long-billed Dowitcher
- _____ #American Woodcock
- _____ Wilson's Snipe
- _____ Spotted Sandpiper
- _____ Solitary Sandpiper
- _____ Lesser Yellowlegs
- _____ Willet
- _____ Greater Yellowlegs
- _____ Wilson's Phalarope
- _____ Red-necked Phalarope

LARIDAE

- _____ Black-legged Kittiwake
- _____ Sabine's Gull
- _____ Bonaparte's Gull
- _____ Laughing Gull
- _____ Franklin's Gull
- _____ Ring-billed Gull
- _____ *California Gull
- _____ Herring Gull
- _____ Iceland Gull
- _____ Lesser Black-backed Gull
- _____ Glaucous Gull
- _____ *Great Black-backed Gull
- _____ #Least Tern
- _____ Caspian Tern
- _____ #Black Tern
- _____ Common Tern

- _____ #Forster's Tern

GAVIIDAE

- _____ Red-throated Loon
- _____ Pacific Loon
- _____ Common Loon

PHALACROCORACIDAE

- _____ Double-crested Cormorant
- _____ *Neotropic Cormorant

PELECANIDAE

- _____ American White Pelican

ARDEIDAE

- _____ #American Bittern
- _____ #Least Bittern
- _____ Great Blue Heron
- _____ Great Egret
- _____ Snowy Egret
- _____ Cattle Egret
- _____ Green Heron
- _____ #Black-crowned Night-Heron
- _____ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

THRESKIORNITHIDAE

- _____ *Glossy Ibis
- _____ White-faced Ibis

CATHARTIDAE

- _____ Turkey Vulture

PANDIONIDAE

- _____ Osprey

ACCIPITRIDAE

- _____ Golden Eagle
- _____ #Northern Harrier
- _____ Sharp-shinned Hawk
- _____ Cooper's Hawk
- _____ Northern Goshawk
- _____ #Bald Eagle
- _____ Mississippi Kite
- _____ #Red-shouldered Hawk
- _____ #Broad-winged Hawk
- _____ Swainson's Hawk
- _____ Red-tailed Hawk

_____ Rough-legged Hawk

TYTONIDAE

_____ #Barn Owl

STRIGIDAE

_____ Eastern Screech-Owl

_____ Great Horned Owl

_____ Snowy Owl

_____ Barred Owl

_____ #Long-eared Owl

_____ #Short-eared Owl

_____ Northern Saw-whet Owl

ALCEDINIDAE

_____ Belted Kingfisher

PICIDAE

_____ Red-headed Woodpecker

_____ Red-bellied Woodpecker

_____ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

_____ Downy Woodpecker

_____ Hairy Woodpecker

_____ Northern Flicker

_____ #Pileated Woodpecker

FALCONIDAE

_____ American Kestrel

_____ Merlin

_____ #Peregrine Falcon

_____ *Prairie Falcon

TYRANNIDAE

_____ Great Crested Flycatcher

_____ Western Kingbird

_____ Eastern Kingbird

_____ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

_____ Olive-sided Flycatcher

_____ Eastern Wood-Pewee

_____ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher

_____ Acadian Flycatcher

_____ Alder Flycatcher

_____ Willow Flycatcher

_____ Least Flycatcher

_____ Eastern Phoebe

VIREONIDAE

_____ #White-eyed Vireo

_____ #Bell's Vireo

_____ Yellow-throated Vireo

_____ Blue-headed Vireo

_____ Philadelphia Vireo

_____ Warbling Vireo

_____ Red-eyed Vireo

LANIIDAE

_____ #Loggerhead Shrike

_____ Northern Shrike

CORVIDAE

_____ Blue Jay

_____ American Crow

_____ Fish Crow

PARIDAE

_____ Black-capped Chickadee

_____ Tufted Titmouse

ALAUDIDAE

_____ Horned Lark

HIRUNDINIDAE

_____ Bank Swallow

_____ Tree Swallow

_____ Northern Rough-winged Swallow

_____ Purple Martin

_____ Barn Swallow

_____ Cliff Swallow

REGULIDAE

_____ Ruby-crowned Kinglet

_____ Golden-crowned Kinglet

BOMBYCILLIDAE

_____ Bohemian Waxwing

_____ Cedar Waxwing

SITTIDAE

_____ Red-breasted Nuthatch

_____ White-breasted Nuthatch

CERTHIIDAE

_____ Brown Creeper

POLIOPTILIDAE

_____ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

TROGLODYTIDAE

_____ #Bewick's Wren

_____ Carolina Wren

_____ House Wren

_____ Winter Wren

_____ Sedge Wren

_____ Marsh Wren

MIMIDAE

_____ Gray Catbird

_____ Brown Thrasher

_____ Northern Mockingbird

STURNIDAE

_____ European Starling

TURDIDAE

_____ Eastern Bluebird

_____ Townsend's Solitaire

_____ #Veery

_____ Gray-cheeked Thrush

_____ Swainson's Thrush

_____ Hermit Thrush

_____ #Wood Thrush

_____ American Robin

PASSERIDAE

_____ House Sparrow

_____ Eurasian Tree Sparrow

MOTACILLIDAE

_____ American Pipit

FRINGILLIDAE

_____ House Finch

_____ Purple Finch

_____ Common Redpoll

_____ Red Crossbill

_____ White-winged Crossbill

_____ Pine Siskin

_____ American Goldfinch

CALCARIIDAE

_____ Lapland Longspur

_____ Smith's Longspur

_____ Snow Bunting

PASSERELLIDAE

_____ #Grasshopper Sparrow

_____ Lark Sparrow

_____ Chipping Sparrow

_____ Clay-colored Sparrow

_____ Field Sparrow

_____ Fox Sparrow

_____ American Tree Sparrow

_____ Dark-eyed Junco

_____ White-crowned Sparrow

_____ Harris's Sparrow

_____ White-throated Sparrow

_____ Vesper Sparrow

_____ LeConte's Sparrow

_____ Nelson's Sparrow

_____ #Henslow's Sparrow

_____ Savannah Sparrow

_____ Song Sparrow

_____ Lincoln's Sparrow

_____ Swamp Sparrow

_____ Spotted Towhee

_____ Eastern Towhee

ICTERIIDAE

_____ #Yellow-breasted Chat

ICTERIDAE

_____ Yellow-headed Blackbird

_____ #Bobolink

_____ Eastern Meadowlark

_____ Western Meadowlark

_____ Orchard Oriole

_____ Baltimore Oriole

_____ Red-winged Blackbird

_____ Brown-headed Cowbird

_____ Rusty Blackbird

_____ Brewer's Blackbird

_____ Common Grackle

_____ Great-tailed Grackle

PARULIDAE

_____ Ovenbird

_____ #Worm-eating Warbler

_____ Louisiana Waterthrush

_____ Northern Waterthrush

_____ Golden-winged Warbler

_____ Blue-winged Warbler

_____ Black-and-white Warbler

_____ Prothonotary Warbler

_____ Tennessee Warbler

_____ Orange-crowned Warbler

_____ Nashville Warbler

_____ Connecticut Warbler

_____ Mourning Warbler

_____ #Kentucky Warbler

_____ Common Yellowthroat

_____ #Hooded Warbler

_____ American Redstart

_____ Cape May Warbler

_____ #Cerulean Warbler

_____ Northern Parula

_____ Magnolia Warbler

_____ Bay-breasted Warbler

_____ Blackburnian Warbler

_____ Yellow Warbler

_____ Chestnut-sided Warbler

_____ Blackpoll Warbler

_____ Black-throated Blue Warbler

_____ Palm Warbler

_____ Pine Warbler

_____ Yellow-rumped Warbler

_____ Yellow-throated Warbler

_____ Black-throated Green Warbler

_____ Canada Warbler

_____ Wilson's Warbler

CARDINALIDAE

_____ Summer Tanager

_____ Scarlet Tanager

_____ *Western Tanager

_____ Northern Cardinal

_____ Rose-breasted Grosbeak

_____ Blue Grosbeak

_____ Lazuli Bunting

_____ Indigo Bunting

_____ Dickcissel

CASUAL SPECIES

(recorded in 3 to 8 of last 10 years)

_____ Mottled Duck

_____ Harlequin Duck

_____ Rufous Hummingbird

_____ King Rail

_____ Red Knot

_____ Ruff

_____ Red Phalarope

_____ Parasitic Jaeger

_____ Little Gull

_____ Little Blue Heron

_____ Roseate Spoonbill

_____ Black Vulture

_____ Swallow-tailed Kite

_____ Ferruginous Hawk

_____ Burrowing Owl

_____ Gyrfalcon

_____ Say's Phoebe

_____ Black-billed Magpie

_____ Rock Wren

_____ Mountain Bluebird

_____ Varied Thrush

_____ Sprague's Pipit

_____ Evening Grosbeak

_____ Hoary Redpoll

_____ Bullock's Oriole

_____ Prairie Warbler

_____ Black-headed Grosbeak

_____ Painted Bunting

ACCIDENTAL SPECIES

(recorded in less than 4 of last 10 years)
