

## IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Benton County - 263 Species

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Observers			Total Spe	Total Species Total Individuals	
Ducks, Geese, Swans	Chimney Swift	American White Pelican	Acadian Flycatcher	Mimids	Spotted Towhee
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	Hummingbirds	Bitterns, Herons, and Allies	Alder Flycatcher	Gray Catbird	Eastern Towhee
Snow Goose	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Least Bittern	Willow Flycatcher	Brown Thrasher	Chats
Ross's Goose	Rails, Gallinules, and Coots	Great Blue Heron	Least Flycatcher	Northern Mockingbird	Yellow-breasted Chat
Greater White-fronted Goose	Virginia Rail	Great Egret	Eastern Phoebe	Starlings	Blackbirds. Orioles
Cackling Goose	Sora	Western Cattle Egret	Vireos	European Starling	Yellow-headed Blackbird
Canada Goose	American Coot	Green Heron	White-eyed Vireo	Thrushes	Bobolink
Mute Swan	Cranes	Black-crowned Night Heron	Bell's Vireo	Eastern Bluebird	Eastern Meadowlark
Trumpeter Swan	Sandhill Crane	Yellow-crowned Night Heron	Yellow-throated Vireo	Eastern Bidebild Townsend's Solitaire	Western Meadowlark
Tundra Swan		New World Vultures	Blue-headed Vireo		Orchard Oriole
Wood Duck	Lapwings and Plovers	Turkey Vulture	Philadelphia Vireo	Veery Gray-cheeked Thrush	Baltimore Oriole
Blue-winged Teal	American Golden-Plover	Ospreys	Warbling Vireo	Swainson's Thrush	Red-winged Blackbird
Northern Shoveler	Killdeer	Ospreys	Red-eyed Vireo	Hermit Thrush	Brown-headed Cowbird
Gadwall	Semipalmated Plover	• •	Shrikes	Wood Thrush	Rusty Blackbird
American Wigeon	Snowy Plover	Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies	Loggerhead Shrike	American Robin	Brewer's Blackbird
Mallard	Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and	Golden Eagle	Northern Shrike		Common Grackle
Northern Pintail	Allies	Northern Harrier	Jays, Magpies, Crows	Old World Sparrows	Great-tailed Grackle
Green-winged Teal	Upland Sandpiper	Sharp-shinned Hawk	Blue Jay	House Sparrow	Wood-warblers
Canvasback	Hudsonian Godwit	Cooper's Hawk	Blue Jay American Crow	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Ovenbird
Redhead	Stilt Sandpiper	Bald Eagle		Pipits	Louisiana Waterthrush
Ring-necked Duck	Sanderling	Mississippi Kite	Chickadees, Titmice	American Pipit	Northern Waterthrush
Greater Scaup	Dunlin	Red-shouldered Hawk	Black-capped Chickadee	Finches	Golden-winged Warbler
Lesser Scaup	Baird's Sandpiper	Broad-winged Hawk	Tufted Titmouse	House Finch	Blue-winged Warbler
Bufflehead	Least Sandpiper	Swainson's Hawk	Larks	Purple Finch	Black-and-white Warbler
Common Goldeneye	White-rumped Sandpiper	Red-tailed Hawk	Horned Lark	Redpoll	Prothonotary Warbler
Hooded Merganser	Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Rough-legged Hawk	Swallows	Red Crossbill	Tennessee Warbler
Common Merganser	Pectoral Sandpiper	Typical Owls	Bank Swallow	White-winged Crossbill	Orange-crowned Warbler
Red-breasted Merganser	Semipalmated Sandpiper	Eastern Screech-Owl	Tree Swallow	Pine Siskin	Nashville Warbler
Ruddy Duck	Short-billed Dowitcher	Great Horned Owl	Northern Rough-winged Swallow	American Goldfinch	Connecticut Warbler
New World Quail	Long-billed Dowitcher	Snowy Owl	Purple Martin	Longspurs, Snow Bunting	Mourning Warbler
Northern Bobwhite	American Woodcock	Barred Owl	Barn Swallow	Lapland Longspur	Kentucky Warbler
Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys,	Wilson's Snipe	Long-eared Owl	Cliff Swallow	Smith's Longspur	Common Yellowthroat
	Spotted Sandpiper	Short-eared Owl	Kinglets	Snow Bunting	American Redstart
and Old World Quail	Solitary Sandpiper	Kingfishers	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Towhees, Sparrows	Cape May Warbler
Wild Turkey	Lesser Yellowlegs	Belted Kingfisher	Golden-crowned Kinglet	Grasshopper Sparrow	Cape May Warbler
Gray Partridge	Willet	Woodpeckers	Waxwings	Lark Sparrow	Northern Parula
Ring-necked Pheasant	Greater Yellowlegs	Red-headed Woodpecker	Bohemian Waxwing	Chipping Sparrow	Magnolia Warbler
Grebes	Wilson's Phalarope	Red-bellied Woodpecker	Cedar Waxwing	Clay-colored Sparrow	Bay-breasted Warbler
Pied-billed Grebe	Gulls, Terns, Skimmers	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Nuthatches	Field Sparrow	Blackburnian Warbler
Horned Grebe	Franklin's Gull	Downy Woodpecker	Red-breasted Nuthatch	Fox Sparrow	Yellow Warbler
Red-necked Grebe	Ring-billed Gull	Hairy Woodpecker	White-breasted Nuthatch	American Tree Sparrow	Chestnut-sided Warbler
Pigeons, Doves	Herring Gull	Northern Flicker	Creepers	Dark-eyed Junco	Blackpoll Warbler
Rock Pigeon	Caspian Tern	Pileated Woodpecker		White-crowned Sparrow	Palm Warbler
Eurasian Collared-Dove	Black Tern	Caracaras and Falcons	Brown Creeper	Harris's Sparrow	Pine Warbler
White-winged Dove	Forster's Tern	American Kestrel	Gnatcatchers	White-throated Sparrow	Yellow-rumped Warbler
Mourning Dove	Loons	Merlin	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Vesper Sparrow	Yellow-throated Warbler
Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis	Common Loon	Peregrine Falcon	Wrens	LeConte's Sparrow	Prairie Warbler
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Darters	Flycatchers	Bewick's Wren	Nelson's Sparrow	Black-throated Green Warb
Black-billed Cuckoo	Anhinga	Great Crested Flycatcher	Carolina Wren	Henslow's Sparrow	Canada Warbler
Goatsuckers	Cormorants	Eastern Kingbird	Northern House Wren	Savannah Sparrow	Wilson's Warbler
Common Nighthawk		Olive-sided Flycatcher	Winter Wren	Song Sparrow	
Eastern Whip-poor-will	Double-crested Cormorant	Eastern Wood-Pewee	Sedge Wren	Lincoln's Sparrow	Tanagers, Cardinals,
—	Pelicans	Lastern Wood-Fewer	Marsh Wren	Swamp Sparrow	Grosbeaks, Buntings

Summer Tanager
Scarlet Tanager
Northern Cardinal
Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Blue Grosbeak
Indigo Bunting
Dickcissel

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