



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Black Hawk County - 308 Species

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Date _____ Time _____ Locality _____ Sky _____ Wind _____ Temp _____

Observers _____ Total Species _____ Total Individuals _____

Ducks, Geese, Swans

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

New World Quail

- Northern Bobwhite

Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail

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

Grebes

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

Pigeons, Doves

- Rock Pigeon

Eurasian Collared-Dove

- White-winged Dove
- Mourning Dove

Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis

- Yellow-billed Cuckoo
- Black-billed Cuckoo

Goatsuckers

- Common Nighthawk
- Eastern Whip-poor-will

Swifts

- Chimney Swift

Hummingbirds

- Ruby-throated Hummingbird

Rails, Gallinules, and Coots

- Virginia Rail
- Sora
- Common Gallinule
- American Coot
- Purple Gallinule
- Yellow Rail

Cranes

- Sandhill Crane
- Whooping Crane

Stilts and Avocets

- Black-necked Stilt
- American Avocet

Lapwings and Plovers

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

Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies

- Upland Sandpiper
- 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
- 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

Gulls, Terns, Skimmers

- Black-legged Kittiwake
- Bonaparte's Gull
- Franklin's Gull
- Ring-billed Gull
- Herring Gull
- Glaucous Gull
- Least Tern
- Caspian Tern
- Black Tern
- Common Tern
- Forster's Tern

Swifts

- Ring-billed Gull
- Herring Gull
- Glaucous Gull

Loons

- Pacific Loon
- Common Loon

Cormorants

- Double-crested Cormorant

Pelicans

- American White Pelican

Bitterns, Herons, and Allies

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

Ibises and Spoonbills

- Glossy Ibis
- White-faced Ibis

New World Vultures

- Turkey Vulture

Ospreys

- Osprey

Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies

- Swallow-tailed Kite
- Golden Eagle
- Northern Harrier
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Cooper's Hawk
- American Goshawk
- Bald Eagle
- Mississippi Kite
- Red-shouldered Hawk

Broad-winged Hawk

- Swainson's Hawk
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Rough-legged Hawk

Barn Owls

- American Barn Owl

Typical Owls

- Eastern Screech-Owl
- Great Horned Owl
- Snowy Owl
- Northern Hawk Owl
- Burrowing Owl
- Barred Owl
- Long-eared Owl
- Short-eared Owl
- Boreal Owl
- Northern Saw-whet Owl

Kingfishers

- Belted Kingfisher

Woodpeckers

- Red-headed Woodpecker
- Red-bellied Woodpecker
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
- Downy Woodpecker
- Hairy Woodpecker
- Northern Flicker
- Pileated Woodpecker

Caracaras and Falcons

- American Kestrel
- Merlin
- Peregrine Falcon
- Prairie Falcon

Flycatchers

- 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
- Say's Phoebe

Vireos

- White-eyed Vireo
- Bell's Vireo
- Yellow-throated Vireo
- Blue-headed Vireo
- Philadelphia Vireo

Warbling Vireo

- Red-eyed Vireo

Shrikes

- Loggerhead Shrike
- Northern Shrike

Jays, Magpies, Crows

- Canada Jay
- Blue Jay
- American Crow

Chickadees, Titmice

- Black-capped Chickadee
- Tufted Titmouse

Larks

- Horned Lark

Swallows

- Bank Swallow
- Tree Swallow
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- Purple Martin
- Barn Swallow
- Cliff Swallow

Kinglets

- Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- Golden-crowned Kinglet

Waxwings

- Cedar Waxwing

Nuthatches

- Red-breasted Nuthatch
- White-breasted Nuthatch

Creepers

- Brown Creeper

Gnatcatchers

- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Wrens

- Carolina Wren
- Northern House Wren
- Winter Wren
- Sedge Wren
- Marsh Wren

Mimids

- Gray Catbird
- Brown Thrasher
- Sage Thrasher
- Northern Mockingbird

Starlings

- European Starling

Thrushes

- Eastern Bluebird
- Mountain Bluebird
- Veery
- Gray-cheeked Thrush

Swainson's Thrush

- Hermit Thrush
- Wood Thrush
- American Robin
- Varied Thrush

Old World Sparrows

- House Sparrow
- Eurasian Tree Sparrow

Pipits

- American Pipit

Finches

- Evening Grosbeak
- House Finch
- Purple Finch
- Redpoll
- Red Crossbill
- White-winged Crossbill
- Pine Siskin
- American Goldfinch

Longspurs, Snow Bunting

- Lapland Longspur
- Smith's Longspur
- Snow Bunting

Towhees, Sparrows

- Grasshopper Sparrow
- Black-throated 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

Chats

- Yellow-breasted Chat

Blackbirds, Orioles

- 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
- Wood-warblers**
- ___ Ovenbird
- ___ 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
- ___ Prairie Warbler
- ___ Black-throated Green Warbler
- ___ Canada Warbler
- ___ Wilson's Warbler

**Tanagers, Cardinals,
Grosbeaks, Buntings**

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

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