



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Decatur County - 300 Species

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

Observers _____ Total Species _____ Total Individuals _____

Ducks, Geese, Swans

- Snow Goose
- Ross's Goose
- Greater White-fronted Goose
- Tundra Bean-Goose
- Cackling Goose
- Canada Goose
- 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
- Bufflehead
- Common Goldeneye
- Barrow's 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
- Greater Prairie-Chicken
- Ring-necked Pheasant

Grebes

- Pied-billed Grebe
- Horned Grebe
- Eared 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
- Chuck-will's-widow
- Eastern Whip-poor-will

Swifts

- Chimney Swift

Hummingbirds

- Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- Rufous Hummingbird

Rails, Gallinules, and Coots

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

Cranes

- Sandhill Crane

Stilts and Avocets

- American Avocet

Lapwings and Plovers

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

Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and

Allies

- Upland Sandpiper
- Hudsonian Godwit
- Red Knot
- Stilt Sandpiper
- Dunlin
- Baird's Sandpiper
- Least Sandpiper
- White-rumped 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

Gulls, Terns, Skimmers

- Sabine's Gull
- Bonaparte's Gull
- Laughing Gull
- Franklin's Gull
- Ring-billed Gull
- Herring Gull
- Least Tern
- Caspian Tern
- Black Tern
- Common Tern
- Forster's Tern

Loons

- Pacific Loon
- Common Loon

Cormorants

- Double-crested Cormorant
- Neotropic Cormorant

Pelicans

- American White Pelican

Bitterns, Herons, and Allies

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

Ibises and Spoonbills

- White-faced Ibis

New World Vultures

- Black Vulture
- Turkey Vulture

Ospreys

- Osprey

Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies

- White-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
- Ferruginous Hawk

Barn Owls

- American Barn Owl

Typical Owls

- Eastern Screech-Owl
- Great Horned Owl
- Snowy Owl
- Barred Owl
- Long-eared Owl
- Short-eared 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
- Gyrfalcon
- 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

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

- Blue Jay

- American Crow

- Fish 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

- Bohemian Waxwing
- Cedar Waxwing

Nuthatches

- Red-breasted Nuthatch
- White-breasted Nuthatch

Creepers

- Brown Creeper

Gnatcatchers

- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Wrens

- Bewick's Wren
- Carolina Wren
- Northern House Wren
- Winter Wren
- Sedge Wren
- Marsh Wren

Mimids

- Gray Catbird
- Brown Thrasher
- Northern Mockingbird

Starlings

- European Starling

Thrushes

- Eastern Bluebird
- Mountain Bluebird
- Townsend's Solitaire
- Veery
- Gray-cheeked Thrush
- Swainson's Thrush
- Hermit Thrush
- Wood Thrush
- American Robin

Old World Sparrows

- House Sparrow

Pipits

- American Pipit
- Sprague's Pipit

Finches

- Evening Grosbeak
- House Finch
- Purple Finch
- Common Redpoll
- Pine Siskin
- American Goldfinch

Longspurs, Snow Bunting

- Lapland Longspur
- Smith's Longspur
- Snow Bunting

Towhees, Sparrows

- Grasshopper Sparrow
- Lark Sparrow
- Lark Bunting
- Chipping Sparrow
- Clay-colored Sparrow
- Field Sparrow
- Fox Sparrow
- American Tree Sparrow

Dark-eyed Junco

- White-crowned Sparrow
- Golden-crowned Sparrow
- Harris's Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow
- Vesper Sparrow
- LeConte's Sparrow
- Henslow's Sparrow
- Savannah Sparrow
- Song Sparrow
- Lincoln's 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
- ___ 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
- ___ 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
- ___ Northern Cardinal
- ___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- ___ Blue Grosbeak
- ___ Lazuli Bunting
- ___ Indigo Bunting
- ___ Dickcissel

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