



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Des Moines County - 305 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
- ___ 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

New World Quail

- ___ Northern Bobwhite

Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys,

and Old World Quail

- ___ Gray Partridge
- ___ Ring-necked Pheasant
- ___ Wild Turkey

Grebes

- ___ Pied-billed Grebe
- ___ Horned 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

___ Groove-billed Ani

Goatsuckers

- ___ Common Nighthawk

___ Eastern Whip-poor-will

Swifts

- ___ Chimney Swift

Hummingbirds

- ___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird

Rails, Gallinules, and Coots

- ___ Yellow Rail

___ Black Rail

___ King Rail

___ Sora

___ Purple Gallinule

___ Common Gallinule

___ American Coot

Cranes

- ___ Sandhill Crane

Stilts and Avocets

- ___ Black-necked Stilt

___ American Avocet

Lapwings and Plovers

- ___ Black-bellied Plover

___ American Golden-Plover

___ Snowy Plover

___ Semipalmated Plover

___ Piping Plover

___ Killdeer

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

___ 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

___ Mew Gull

___ Ring-billed Gull

___ Herring Gull

___ Lesser Black-backed Gull

___ Glaucous Gull

___ Least Tern

___ Caspian Tern

___ Black Tern

___ Common Tern

___ Forster's Tern

Loons

- ___ Red-throated Loon

___ Pacific Loon

___ Common Loon

Frigatebirds

___ Magnificent Frigatebird

Cormorants

___ Double-crested Cormorant

Pelicans

___ American White Pelican

___ Brown Pelican

Bitterns, Herons, and Allies

___ American Bittern

___ Least Bittern

___ Great Blue Heron

___ Great Egret

___ Snowy Egret

___ Little Blue Heron

___ Cattle Egret

___ Green Heron

___ Black-crowned Night-Heron

___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

Ibises and Spoonbills

___ White-faced Ibis

New World Vultures

___ Turkey Vulture

Ospreys

___ Osprey

Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies

___ Golden Eagle

___ Northern Harrier

___ Sharp-shinned Hawk

- ___ Cooper's Hawk

___ Northern Goshawk

___ Bald Eagle

___ Red-shouldered Hawk

___ Broad-winged Hawk

___ Red-tailed Hawk

___ Rough-legged Hawk

Barn Owls

___ Barn Owl

Typical Owls

___ Eastern Screech-Owl

___ Great Horned Owl

___ Snowy Owl

___ Burrowing Owl

___ Barred Owl

___ Long-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

___ Peregrine Falcon

Flycatchers

___ Western Kingbird

___ Eastern Kingbird

___ Great Crested Flycatcher

___ Olive-sided Flycatcher

___ Eastern Wood-Pewee

___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher

___ Acadian Flycatcher

___ Alder Flycatcher

___ Willow Flycatcher

___ Least Flycatcher

___ Eastern Phoebe

___ Say's Phoebe

Shrikes

___ Loggerhead Shrike

___ Northern Shrike

Vireos

___ White-eyed Vireo

___ Bell's Vireo

___ Yellow-throated Vireo

___ Blue-headed Vireo

- ___ Philadelphia Vireo

___ Warbling Vireo

___ Red-eyed Vireo

Jays, Magpies, Crows

___ Blue Jay

___ American Crow

Larks

___ Horned Lark

Swallows

___ Purple Martin

___ Tree Swallow

___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow

___ Bank Swallow

___ Cliff Swallow

___ Barn Swallow

Chickadees, Titmice

___ Black-capped Chickadee

___ Tufted Titmouse

Nuthatches

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch

___ White-breasted Nuthatch

Creepers

___ Brown Creeper

Wrens

___ House Wren

___ Winter Wren

___ Sedge Wren

___ Marsh Wren

___ Carolina Wren

___ Bewick's Wren

Gnatcatchers

___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Kinglets

___ Golden-crowned Kinglet

___ Fox Sparrow

___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet

Thrushes

___ Eastern Bluebird

___ Veery

___ Gray-cheeked Thrush

___ Swainson's Thrush

___ Hermit Thrush

___ Wood Thrush

___ American Robin

Mimids

___ Gray Catbird

___ Brown Thrasher

___ Northern Mockingbird

Starlings

___ European Starling

Waxwings

___ Bohemian Waxwing

- ___ Cedar Waxwing

Old World Sparrows

___ House Sparrow

___ Eurasian Tree Sparrow

Pipits

___ American Pipit

Finches

___ Evening Grosbeak

___ House Finch

___ Purple Finch

___ Common Redpoll

___ Red Crossbill

___ White-winged Crossbill

___ Pine Siskin

___ American Goldfinch

Longspurs, Snow Bunting

___ Lapland Longspur

___ Smith's Longspur

___ Snow Bunting

Towhees, Sparrows

___ Spotted Towhee

___ Eastern Towhee

___ American Tree Sparrow

___ Chipping Sparrow

___ Clay-colored Sparrow

___ Field Sparrow

___ Vesper Sparrow

___ Lark Sparrow

___ Lark Bunting

___ Savannah Sparrow

___ Grasshopper Sparrow

___ Henslow's Sparrow

___ LeConte's Sparrow

___ Nelson's Sparrow

___ Fox Sparrow

___ Song Sparrow

___ Lincoln's Sparrow

___ Swamp Sparrow

___ White-throated Sparrow

___ Harris's Sparrow

___ White-crowned Sparrow

___ Dark-eyed Junco

Chats

___ Yellow-breasted Chat

Blackbirds, Orioles

___ Yellow-headed Blackbird

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- Red-winged Blackbird
 - Brown-headed Cowbird
 - Rusty Blackbird
 - Brewer's Blackbird
 - Common 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
 - 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
 - Black-headed Grosbeak
 - Blue Grosbeak
 - Indigo Bunting
 - Dickcissel

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