



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Hamilton County - 267 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
- 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

- Yellow Rail
- King Rail
- Virginia Rail

Sora

- Common Gallinule
- American Coot

Cranes

- Sandhill Crane

Lapwings and Plovers

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

Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and

Allies

- Upland Sandpiper
- Hudsonian 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, Skimmings

- Bonaparte's Gull

Franklin's Gull

- Ring-billed Gull
- Herring Gull
- Lesser Black-backed Gull
- Least Tern
- Caspian Tern
- Black Tern
- Common Tern
- Forster's Tern

Loons

- Red-throated Loon
- Pacific Loon
- Common Loon
- Yellow-billed Loon

Cormorants

- Double-crested Cormorant

Pelicans

- American White 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

Ibises and Spoonbills

- White-faced Ibis

New World Vultures

- Turkey Vulture

Ospreys

- Osprey

Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies

- Northern Harrier
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Cooper's Hawk
- Bald Eagle
- Mississippi Kite
- Broad-winged Hawk
- Swainson's Hawk
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Rough-legged Hawk

Typical Owls

- Eastern Screech-Owl
- Great Horned Owl
- Snowy Owl
- Burrowing 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
- Peregrine Falcon
- Prairie Falcon

Flycatchers

- Western Kingbird
- Eastern Kingbird
- Great Crested Flycatcher
- Olive-sided Flycatcher
- Eastern Wood-Pewee
- Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
- Alder Flycatcher
- Willow Flycatcher
- Least Flycatcher
- Eastern Phoebe

Shrikes

- Loggerhead Shrike
- Northern Shrike

Vireos

- 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

Gnatcatchers

- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Kinglets

- Golden-crowned Kinglet
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet

Thrushes

- Eastern Bluebird
- Gray-cheeked Thrush
- Swainson's Thrush
- Hermit Thrush
- Wood Thrush
- American Robin

Mimids

- Gray Catbird
- Brown Thrasher
- Northern Mockingbird

Starlings

- European Starling

Waxwings

- Cedar Waxwing

Old World Sparrows

- House Sparrow

Pipits

- American Pipit

Finches

- House Finch
- Purple Finch
- Red Crossbill
- Pine Siskin
- American Goldfinch

Longspurs, Snow Bunting

- Lapland Longspur
- Smith's Longspur
- Snow Bunting

Towhees, Sparrows

- Eastern Towhee
- American Tree Sparrow
- Chipping Sparrow
- Clay-colored Sparrow
- Field Sparrow

Vesper Sparrow

- Lark Sparrow
- 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

Golden-crowned Sparrow

- Dark-eyed Junco

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

Northern Waterthrush

- Golden-winged Warbler

Black-and-white Warbler

- Prothonotary Warbler

Tennessee Warbler

- Orange-crowned Warbler

Nashville Warbler

- Mourning Warbler

Common Yellowthroat

- 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
- Yellow-rumped Warbler
- Black-throated Green Warbler

___ Canada Warbler

___ Wilson's Warbler

Tanagers, Cardinals,

Grosbeaks, Buntings

___ Scarlet Tanager

___ Northern Cardinal

___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak

___ Blue Grosbeak

___ Indigo Bunting

___ Dickcissel

The taxonomic sequence and nomenclature used in this list follow the Checklist of North American Birds, 7th Edition, American Ornithologists' Union, 1998, updated through the 57th Supplement, 2016 (Auk 133(3):544-560, 2016).

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