### IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS’ UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Hancock County - 261 Species

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**Ducks, Geese, Swans**
- Snow Goose
- Ross’s Goose
- Greater White-fronted Goose
- Cackling Goose
- Canada Goose
- 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
- Surf Scoter
- White-winged Scoter
- Bufflehead
- Common Goldeneye
- Hooded Merganser
- Common Merganser
- Red-breasted Merganser
- Common Eider
- Ruddy Duck

**Grackles, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail**
- Wild Turkey
- Gray Partridge
- Ring-necked Pheasant

**Grebes**
- Red-billed Grebe
- Horned Grebe
- Red-necked Grebe
- Eared Grebe
- Western Grebe

**Pigeons, Doves**
- Rock Pigeon
- Eurasian Collared-Dove
- Mourning Dove

**Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis**
- Yellow-billed Cuckoo
- Black-billed Cuckoo

**Goatsuckers**
- Common Nighthawk
- Swifts
- Chimney Swift

**Horned Larks**
- Bonaparte's Gull
- Franklin’s Gull
- Ring-billed Gull
- Herring Gull
- Caspian Tern
- Black Tern
- Common Tern
- Forster’s Tern

**Loons**
- Common Loon

**Pipits**
- Double-bec Con Coromant

**Sandspipers, Plovers, and Allies**
- American White Pelican
- Bitterns, Herons, and Allies
- American Bittern
- Least Bittern
- Great Blue Heron
- Great Egret
- Cattle Egret
- Green Heron
- Black-crowned Night Heron

**New World Vultures**
- Turkey Vulture

**Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies**
- Northern Harrier
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Cooper's Hawk
- Bald Eagle
- Red-shouldered Hawk
- Broad-winged Hawk
- Swainson's Hawk
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Rough-legged Hawk

**Typical Owls**
- Eastern Screech-Owl
- Great Horned Owl
- Barred Owl
- Long-eared 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**
- Great Crested Flycatcher
- Western Kingbird
- Eastern Kingbird
- Olive-sided Flycatcher
- Eastern Wood-Pewee
- Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
- Acadian Flycatcher
- Alder Flycatcher
- Willow Flycatcher
- Least Flycatcher
- Eastern Phoebe

**Vireos**
- 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

**Chickadees, Titmice**
- Black-capped Chickadee
- Tufted Titmouse

**Larks**
- Horned Lark

**Swallows**
- Barn Swallow
- Tree Swallow
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- Purple Martin
- Barn Swallow
- Cliff Swallow

**Kingslets**
- 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
- House Wren
- Winter Wren
- Sedge Wren
- Marsh Wren

**Mimids**
- Gray Catbird
- Brown Thrasher
- Northern Mockingbird

**Starlings**
- European Starling

**Thrushes**
- Eastern Bluebird
- 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**
- House Finch
- Purple Finch
- Common Redpoll
- Red Crossbill
- White-winged Crossbill
- Pine Siskin
- American Goldfinch

**Longspurs, Snow Bunting**
- Lapland Longspur
- Snow Bunting

**Towhees, Sparrows**
- Grasshopper 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
- Le Conte’s Sparrow
- Nelson’s Sparrow
- Henslow’s Sparrow
- Savannah Sparrow

**Song Sparrow**
- Lincoln’s Sparrow
- Swamp Sparrow
- Spotted Towhee
- Eastern Towhee

**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
- Blue-winged Warbler
- Black-and-white Warbler
- Tennessee Warbler
- Orange-crowned Warbler
- Nashville Warbler
- Connecticut Warbler
- Mourning 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
- 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
Indigo Bunting
Dickcissel


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