



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Pottawattamie County - 322 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
____ Taiga Bean-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
____ 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
____ Gray Partridge
____ Ring-necked Pheasant
____ Grebes
____ Pied-billed Grebe
____ Horned Grebe
____ Red-necked Grebe
____ Eared Grebe
____ Western Grebe
____ Pigeons, Doves
____ Mourning Dove

____ Eurasian Collared-Dove
____ Rock Pigeon
____ 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
____ Rails, Gallinules, and Coots
____ Virginia Rail
____ Sora
____ American Coot
____ Yellow Rail
____ Cranes
____ Sandhill Crane
____ Stilts and Avocets
____ Black-necked Stilt
____ American Avocet
____ Lapwings and Plovers
____ Black-bellied Plover
____ American Golden-Plover
____ Killdeer
____ Semipalmated Plover
____ Piping Plover
____ Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and
Allies
____ Upland Sandpiper
____ Whimbrel
____ Long-billed Curlew
____ 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
____ Skuas and Jaegers
____ Parasitic Jaeger
____ Gulls, Terns, Skimmers
____ Black-legged Kittiwake
____ Sabine's Gull
____ Bonaparte's Gull
____ Little Gull
____ Ross's Gull
____ Laughing Gull
____ Franklin's Gull
____ Ring-billed Gull
____ California Gull
____ American Herring Gull
____ Iceland Gull
____ Lesser Black-backed Gull
____ Slaty-backed Gull
____ Glaucous Gull
____ Great Black-backed Gull
____ Least Tern
____ Caspian Tern
____ Black Tern
____ Common Tern
____ Forster's Tern
____ Loons
____ Red-throated Loon
____ Pacific Loon
____ Common Loon
____ Darters
____ Anhinga
____ Cormorants
____ Double-crested Cormorant
____ Neotropic Cormorant
____ Pelicans
____ American White Pelican
____ Bitterns, Herons, and Allies
____ Least Bittern
____ American Bittern
____ Little Blue Heron
____ Tricolored Heron
____ Snowy Egret
____ Yellow-crowned Night Heron
____ Black-crowned Night Heron
____ Green Heron
____ Great Egret
____ Western Cattle Egret

____ Great Blue Heron
____ Ibises and Spoonbills
____ White-faced Ibis
____ New World Vultures
____ Black Vulture
____ 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
____ 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
____ Lewis's Woodpecker
____ Red-headed Woodpecker
____ Red-bellied Woodpecker
____ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
____ Red-breasted 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
____ Eastern Warbling Vireo
____ Red-eyed Vireo

____ Shrikes
____ Loggerhead Shrike
____ Northern Shrike
____ Jays, Magpies, Crows
____ Blue Jay
____ Black-billed Magpie
____ American Crow
____ Common Raven
____ 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
____ Rock 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
____ 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
____ Lark Sparrow
____ Lark Bunting
____ 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
___ MacGillivray's Warbler
___ Mourning Warbler
___ Kentucky Warbler
___ Common Yellowthroat
___ American Redstart
___ Cape May Warbler
___ Northern Parula
___ Magnolia Warbler
___ Bay-breasted Warbler
___ Blackburnian Warbler
___ Yellow Warbler
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler
___ Blackpoll Warbler
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler
___ Palm Warbler
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler
___ Yellow-throated 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
___ Lazuli Bunting
___ Indigo Bunting
___ Dickcissel

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