



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
___ Rock Pigeon

___ Eurasian Collared-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
___ 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
___ 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
___ American Bittern
___ Least Bittern
___ Great Blue Heron
___ Great Egret
___ Snowy Egret
___ Little Blue Heron
___ Tricolored 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
___ 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
___ 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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