



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Clinton County - 279 Species

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Date _____ Time _____ Locality _____ Sky _____ Wind _____ Temp _____

Observers _____ Total Species _____ Total Individuals _____

Ducks, Geese, Swans

- ___ Black-bellied Whistling-Duck
- ___ Fulvous Whistling-Duck
- ___ Snow Goose

- ___ Greater White-fronted Goose
- ___ Cackling Goose
- ___ Canada Goose

- ___ Trumpeter Swan
- ___ Tundra Swan
- ___ Wood Duck

- ___ Blue-winged Teal
- ___ Northern Shoveler
- ___ Gadwall

- ___ Eurasian Wigeon
- ___ 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
- ___ Western Grebe

- ___ Pigeons, Doves
- ___ Rock Pigeon
- ___ Eurasian Collared-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
- ___ Virginia Rail
- ___ Sora

- ___ Common Gallinule
- ___ American Coot
- ___ Yellow Rail

- ___ Limpkins
- ___ Limpkin

- ___ Cranes
- ___ Sandhill Crane
- ___ Whooping Crane

- ___ Stilts and Avocets
- ___ Black-necked Stilt

- ___ Lapwings and Plovers
- ___ Black-bellied Plover
- ___ American Golden-Plover

- ___ Killdeer
- ___ Semipalmated Plover
- ___ Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies

- ___ Upland Sandpiper
- ___ Hudsonian Godwit
- ___ Stilt Sandpiper

- ___ Dunlin
- ___ Baird's Sandpiper
- ___ Least Sandpiper

- ___ White-rumped Sandpiper
- ___ Pectoral Sandpiper
- ___ Semipalmated Sandpiper

- ___ Short-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
- ___ Black-legged Kittiwake

- ___ Sabine's Gull
- ___ Bonaparte's Gull
- ___ Franklin's Gull

- ___ Ring-billed Gull
- ___ Herring Gull
- ___ Iceland Gull

- ___ Lesser Black-backed Gull
- ___ Glaucous Gull
- ___ Great Black-backed Gull

- ___ Caspian Tern
- ___ Black Tern
- ___ Common Tern

- ___ Forster's Tern
- ___ Loons
- ___ Red-throated Loon

- ___ Common Loon
- ___ 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
- ___ Western 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
- ___ Swallow-tailed Kite

- ___ Golden Eagle
- ___ 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
- ___ Barn Owls
- ___ American Barn Owl

- ___ Typical Owls
- ___ Eastern Screech-Owl
- ___ Great Horned Owl

- ___ Snowy Owl
- ___ Barred Owl
- ___ Long-eared Owl

- ___ Short-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
- ___ Eastern Kingbird

- ___ 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

- ___ American Crow
- ___ 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
- ___ Carolina Wren

- ___ Northern 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
- ___ Eurasian Tree Sparrow

- ___ Pipits
- ___ American Pipit
- ___ Finches

- ___ Brambling
- ___ House Finch
- ___ Purple Finch

- ___ Redpoll
- ___ Red Crossbill
- ___ Pine Siskin

- ___ American Goldfinch
- ___ Longspurs, Snow Bunting
- ___ Lapland Longspur

- ___ Smith's Longspur
- ___ Snow Bunting
- ___ Towhees, Sparrows

- ___ Grasshopper Sparrow
- ___ Lark Sparrow
- ___ Chipping Sparrow

- ___ Field Sparrow
- ___ Fox Sparrow
- ___ American Tree Sparrow

- ___ Dark-eyed Junco
- ___ White-crowned Sparrow
- ___ White-throated Sparrow

- ___ Vesper Sparrow
- ___ LeConte's Sparrow
- ___ Nelson's Sparrow

- ___ Henslow's Sparrow
- ___ Savannah Sparrow
- ___ Song Sparrow

- ___ Lincoln's Sparrow
- ___ Swamp Sparrow
- ___ 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
- ___ Connecticut Warbler

- ___ Mourning Warbler
- ___ Kentucky 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
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler
___ Palm Warbler
___ Pine Warbler
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler
___ Yellow-throated 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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