

IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Linn County - 328 Species

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Date	Time	Locality	Sky	Wind	_ Temp
Observers			Total Sp	esTotal Individuals	
Ducks, Geese, Swans	Rock Pigeon	Semipalmated Sandpiper	Ibises and Spoonbills	Eastern Wood-Pewee	Carolina Wren
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	Eurasian Collared-Dove	Western Sandpiper	White-faced Ibis	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Northern House Wren
Snow Goose	Common Ground Dove	Short-billed Dowitcher	New World Vultures	Acadian Flycatcher	Winter Wren
Ross's Goose	White-winged Dove	Long-billed Dowitcher	Turkey Vulture	Alder Flycatcher	Sedge Wren
Greater White-fronted Goose	Mourning Dove	American Woodcock	Ospreys	Willow Flycatcher	Marsh Wren
Cackling Goose	Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis	Wilson's Snipe	Osprey	Least Flycatcher	Mimids
Canada Goose	Groove-billed Ani	Spotted Sandpiper		Eastern Phoebe	Gray Catbird
Mute Swan	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Solitary Sandpiper	Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies	Say's Phoebe	Brown Thrasher
Trumpeter Swan	Black-billed Cuckoo	Lesser Yellowlegs	Swallow-tailed Kite	Vireos	Northern Mockingbird
Tundra Swan	Goatsuckers	Willet	Golden Eagle	White-eyed Vireo	Starlings
Wood Duck	Common Nighthawk	Greater Yellowlegs	Northern Harrier	Bell's Vireo	European Starling
Blue-winged Teal	Chuck-will's-widow	Wilson's Phalarope	Sharp-shinned Hawk	Yellow-throated Vireo	Thrushes
Cinnamon Teal	Eastern Whip-poor-will	Red-necked Phalarope	Cooper's Hawk	Blue-headed Vireo	
Northern Shoveler	• • •	Gulls, Terns, Skimmers	American Goshawk	Philadelphia Vireo	Eastern Bluebird
Gadwall	Swifts	Black-legged Kittiwake	Bald Eagle	Warbling Vireo	Townsend's Solitaire
Eurasian Wigeon	Chimney Swift	Sabine's Gull	Mississippi Kite	Red-eyed Vireo	Veery
American Wigeon	Hummingbirds	Bonaparte's Gull	Red-shouldered Hawk	Shrikes	Gray-cheeked Thrush
Mallard	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Little Gull	Broad-winged Hawk		Swainson's Thrush
American Black Duck	Rufous Hummingbird	Laughing Gull	Swainson's Hawk	Loggerhead Shrike	Hermit Thrush
Northern Pintail	Rails, Gallinules, and Coots	Franklin's Gull	Red-tailed Hawk	Northern Shrike	Wood Thrush
Green-winged Teal	Virginia Rail	Ring-billed Gull	Rough-legged Hawk	Jays, Magpies, Crows	American Robin
Canvasback	Sora	Herring Gull	Ferruginous Hawk	Blue Jay	Varied Thrush
	Common Gallinule	Iceland Gull	Barn Owls	Black-billed Magpie	Old World Sparrows
Redhead	American Coot	Lesser Black-backed Gull	American Barn Owl	American Crow	House Sparrow
Ring-necked Duck	Yellow Rail		Typical Owls	Chickadees, Titmice	Eurasian Tree Sparrow
Greater Scaup	Cranes	Glaucous Gull	Eastern Screech-Owl	Black-capped Chickadee	Pipits
Lesser Scaup	Sandhill Crane	Great Black-backed Gull	Great Horned Owl	Tufted Titmouse	American Pipit
Harlequin Duck		Least Tern	Snowy Owl	Larks	Finches
Surf Scoter	Stilts and Avocets	Caspian Tern	Barred Owl	Horned Lark	
White-winged Scoter	Black-necked Stilt	Black Tern		Swallows	Brambling
Black Scoter	American Avocet	Common Tern	Long-eared Owl		Evening Grosbeak
Long-tailed Duck	Lapwings and Plovers	Forster's Tern	Short-eared Owl	Bank Swallow	Pine Grosbeak
Bufflehead	Black-bellied Plover	Loons	Northern Saw-whet Owl	Tree Swallow	House Finch
Common Goldeneye	American Golden-Plover	Red-throated Loon	Kingfishers	Northern Rough-winged Swallov	•
Hooded Merganser	Killdeer	Pacific Loon	Belted Kingfisher	Purple Martin	Redpoll
Common Merganser	Semipalmated Plover	Common Loon	Woodpeckers	Barn Swallow	Red Crossbill
Red-breasted Merganser	Piping Plover	Cormorants	Red-headed Woodpecker	Cliff Swallow	White-winged Crossbill
Ruddy Duck	Snowy Plover	Double-crested Cormorant	Red-bellied Woodpecker	Kinglets	Pine Siskin
New World Quail	Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and	Neotropic Cormorant	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	American Goldfinch
Northern Bobwhite	Allies	Pelicans	Downy Woodpecker	Golden-crowned Kinglet	Longspurs, Snow Bunting
Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys,	Upland Sandpiper	American White Pelican	Hairy Woodpecker	Waxwings	Lapland Longspur
and Old World Quail	Hudsonian Godwit	Bitterns, Herons, and Allies	Northern Flicker	Bohemian Waxwing	Smith's Longspur
Wild Turkey	Marbled Godwit	·	Pileated Woodpecker	Cedar Waxwing	Snow Bunting
Gray Partridge	Ruddy Turnstone	American Bittern	Caracaras and Falcons	Nuthatches	Towhees, Sparrows
Ring-necked Pheasant	Ruff	Least Bittern	American Kestrel	Red-breasted Nuthatch	Grasshopper Sparrow
•	Stilt Sandpiper	Great Blue Heron	Merlin	White-breasted Nuthatch	Lark Sparrow
Grebes		Great Egret	Peregrine Falcon		Chipping Sparrow
Pied-billed Grebe	Sanderling	Snowy Egret	Flycatchers	Creepers	Clay-colored Sparrow
Horned Grebe	Dunlin	Little Blue Heron	•	Brown Creeper	Field Sparrow
Red-necked Grebe	Baird's Sandpiper	Tricolored Heron	Great Crested Flycatcher	Gnatcatchers	Fox Sparrow
Eared Grebe	Least Sandpiper	Western Cattle Egret	Western Kingbird	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	American Tree Sparrow
Western Grebe	White-rumped Sandpiper	Green Heron	Eastern Kingbird	Wrens	Dark-eyed Junco
Clark's Grebe	Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Black-crowned Night Heron	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	Rock Wren	White-crowned Sparrow
Pigeons, Doves	Pectoral Sandpiper	Yellow-crowned Night Heron	Olive-sided Flycatcher	Bewick's Wren	Harris's Sparrow

White-throated Sparrow	Wilson's Warbler
Vesper Sparrow	Tanagers, Cardinals,
LeConte's Sparrow	Grosbeaks, Buntings
Nelson's Sparrow	Summer Tanager
Henslow's Sparrow	Scarlet Tanager
Savannah Sparrow	Northern Cardinal
Song Sparrow	Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Lincoln's Sparrow	Black-headed Grosbeak
Swamp Sparrow	Blue Grosbeak
Spotted Towhee	Indigo Bunting
Eastern Towhee	Painted Bunting
Chats	Dickcissel
Yellow-breasted Chat	
Blackbirds, Orioles	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	The taxonomic sequence and
Bobolink	nomenclature used in this list follow the Checklist of North
Eastern Meadowlark Western Meadowlark	American Birds, 7th Edition,
Orchard Oriole	American Ornithologists'
Bullock's Oriole	Union, 1998, updated through
Baltimore Oriole	the 64th Supplement (Chesser et al. 2023).
Red-winged Blackbird	
Brown-headed Cowbird	Iowa Ornithologists' Union
Rusty Blackbird	(IOU) is a non-profit
Brewer's Blackbird	statewide organization
Common Grackle	devoted to the study, conservation, and enjoyment
Great-tailed Grackle	of Iowa's birds. IOU's
Wood-warblers	activities include reviewing
Ovenbird	and archiving sightings of rare birds through the Iowa
Worm-eating Warbler	Records Committee,
Louisiana Waterthrush	publishing Iowa Bird Life: The
Northern Waterthrush	Iowa Ornithologists' Union quarterly journal, organizing
Golden-winged Warbler	field trips, and holding semi-
Blue-winged Warbler	annual weekends in various
Black-and-white Warbler	locations throughout the state. IOU also owns and
Prothonotary Warbler	manages IA-BIRD, the Iowa
Tennessee Warbler	birding community's online
Orange-crowned Warbler	mailing list as well as maintains a social media
Nashville Warbler	presence through Facebook.
Connecticut Warbler	To join the IOU, or for more
Mourning Warbler Kentucky Warbler	information, visit us online at http://iowabirds.org/. IOU
Common Yellowthroat	members maintain the list of
Hooded Warbler	species recorded in each county of the state from
American Redstart	which this checklist is
Cape May Warbler	generated.
Cerulean Warbler	
Northern Parula	Copyright Iowa Ornithologists'
Magnolia Warbler	Union. 2025. All Rights
Bay-breasted Warbler	Reserved.
Blackburnian Warbler	
Yellow Warbler	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	
Blackpoll Warbler	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	
Palm Warbler	
Pine Warbler	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	
Yellow-throated Warbler	
Prairie Warbler	
Townsend's Warbler	
Black-throated Green Warbler	
Canada Warbler	