



# IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Linn County - 328 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  
\_\_\_ Cackling Goose  
\_\_\_ Canada Goose  
\_\_\_ Mute Swan  
\_\_\_ Trumpeter Swan  
\_\_\_ Tundra Swan  
\_\_\_ Wood Duck  
\_\_\_ Blue-winged Teal  
\_\_\_ Cinnamon 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  
\_\_\_ Harlequin Duck  
\_\_\_ Surf Scoter  
\_\_\_ White-winged Scoter  
\_\_\_ Black Scoter  
\_\_\_ Long-tailed Duck  
\_\_\_ Bufflehead  
\_\_\_ Common 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  
\_\_\_ Clark's Grebe

## Pigeons, Doves

\_\_\_ Common Ground Dove  
\_\_\_ White-winged Dove  
\_\_\_ Mourning Dove  
\_\_\_ Eurasian Collared-Dove  
\_\_\_ Rock Pigeon

## Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis

\_\_\_ Groove-billed Ani  
\_\_\_ Yellow-billed Cuckoo  
\_\_\_ Black-billed Cuckoo

## Goatsuckers

\_\_\_ Common Nighthawk  
\_\_\_ Chuck-will's-widow  
\_\_\_ Eastern Whip-poor-will

## Swifts

\_\_\_ Chimney Swift

## Hummingbirds

\_\_\_ Ruby-throated Hummingbird  
\_\_\_ Rufous Hummingbird

## Rails, Gallinules, and Coots

\_\_\_ Virginia Rail  
\_\_\_ Sora  
\_\_\_ Common Gallinule  
\_\_\_ 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  
\_\_\_ Snowy Plover

## Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and

## Allies

\_\_\_ Upland Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Hudsonian Godwit  
\_\_\_ Marbled Godwit  
\_\_\_ Ruddy Turnstone  
\_\_\_ Ruff  
\_\_\_ 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  
  
Gulls, Terns, Skimmers  
\_\_\_ Black-legged Kittiwake  
\_\_\_ Sabine's Gull  
\_\_\_ Bonaparte's Gull  
\_\_\_ Little Gull  
\_\_\_ Laughing Gull  
\_\_\_ Franklin's Gull  
\_\_\_ Ring-billed Gull  
\_\_\_ American Herring Gull  
\_\_\_ Iceland Gull  
\_\_\_ Lesser Black-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  
  
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

\_\_\_ 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

\_\_\_ 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  
\_\_\_ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Olive-sided Flycatcher

\_\_\_ Eastern Wood-Pewee  
\_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Acadian Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Alder Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Willow Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Least Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Eastern Phoebe  
\_\_\_ Say's 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

## 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

\_\_\_ Bohemian Waxwing  
\_\_\_ Cedar Waxwing

## Nuthatches

\_\_\_ Red-breasted Nuthatch  
\_\_\_ White-breasted Nuthatch

## Creepers

\_\_\_ Brown Creeper

## Gnatcatchers

\_\_\_ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

## Wrens

\_\_\_ Rock Wren  
\_\_\_ Bewick's 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  
\_\_\_ Townsend's Solitaire  
\_\_\_ Veery  
\_\_\_ Gray-cheeked Thrush  
\_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush  
\_\_\_ Hermit Thrush  
\_\_\_ Wood Thrush  
\_\_\_ American Robin  
\_\_\_ Varied Thrush

## Old World Sparrows

\_\_\_ House Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Eurasian Tree Sparrow

## Pipits

\_\_\_ American Pipit

## Finches

\_\_\_ Brambling  
\_\_\_ Evening Grosbeak  
\_\_\_ Pine 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  
\_\_\_ 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  
\_\_\_ Bullock's Oriole  
\_\_\_ Baltimore Oriole  
\_\_\_ Red-winged Blackbird  
\_\_\_ Brown-headed Cowbird  
\_\_\_ Rusty Blackbird  
\_\_\_ Brewer's Blackbird  
\_\_\_ Common Grackle  
\_\_\_ Great-tailed Grackle

#### Wood-warblers

\_\_\_ Ovenbird  
\_\_\_ Worm-eating Warbler  
\_\_\_ 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  
\_\_\_ 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  
\_\_\_ 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

\_\_\_ Wilson's Warbler

#### Tanagers, Cardinals,

#### Grosbeaks, Buntings

\_\_\_ Summer Tanager  
\_\_\_ Scarlet Tanager  
\_\_\_ Northern Cardinal  
\_\_\_ Rose-breasted Grosbeak  
\_\_\_ Black-headed Grosbeak  
\_\_\_ Blue Grosbeak  
\_\_\_ Indigo Bunting  
\_\_\_ Painted Bunting  
\_\_\_ Dickcissel

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