



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

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

Observers _____ Total Species _____ Total Individuals _____

Ducks, Geese, Swans

- Snow Goose
- Ross's Goose
- Greater White-fronted Goose
- Cackling Goose
- Canada Goose
- 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
- 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
- Greater Prairie-Chicken
- 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
- Eastern Whip-poor-will

Swifts

- Chimney Swift

Hummingbirds

- Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- Rufous Hummingbird

Rails, Gallinules, and Coots

- Virginia Rail
- Sora
- Common Gallinule
- American Coot

Cranes

- Sandhill Crane

Stilts and Avocets

- American Avocet

Lapwings and Plovers

- Black-bellied Plover
- American Golden-Plover
- Killdeer
- Semipalmated Plover
- Snowy Plover

Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and

Allies

- Upland Sandpiper
- 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
- 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

- Bonaparte's Gull

Franklin's Gull

- Ring-billed Gull
- Herring Gull

Least Tern

- Caspian Tern
- Black Tern

Common Tern

- Forster's Tern

Loons

- Red-throated Loon
- Common Loon

Cormorants

- Double-crested 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
- Yellow-crowned Night Heron

Ibises and Spoonbills

- White-faced Ibis

New World Vultures

- Turkey Vulture

Stilt Sandpiper

Ospreys

- Osprey

Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies

- White-tailed Kite
- Swallow-tailed Kite
- Golden Eagle
- Northern Harrier
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Cooper's Hawk
- American Goshawk
- 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

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
- Prairie Falcon

Flycatchers

- Great Crested Flycatcher
- Eastern Kingbird
- Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
- Olive-sided Flycatcher
- Eastern Wood-Pewee
- Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
- Acadian Flycatcher
- Alder Flycatcher
- Willow Flycatcher
- Least Flycatcher
- Eastern Phoebe
- Vermilion Flycatcher

Vireos

- 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

- 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
- Veery
- Gray-cheeked Thrush
- Swainson's Thrush
- Hermit Thrush
- Wood Thrush
- American Robin

Old World Sparrows

- House Sparrow

Pipits

- American Pipit

Finches

- House Finch
- Purple Finch
- Redpoll
- Red Crossbill
- White-winged Crossbill
- Pine Siskin
- American Goldfinch

Longspurs, Snow Bunting

Lapland 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

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
- Black-and-white Warbler
- Prothonotary Warbler
- Tennessee Warbler
- Orange-crowned Warbler
- Nashville Warbler
- Mourning Warbler
- Kentucky Warbler
- Common Yellowthroat
- Hooded Warbler

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- ___ American Redstart
 - ___ Cape May Warbler
 - ___ Cerulean Warbler
 - ___ Northern Parula
 - ___ Magnolia Warbler
 - ___ Bay-breasted Warbler
 - ___ Blackburnian Warbler
 - ___ Yellow Warbler
 - ___ Chestnut-sided Warbler
 - ___ Blackpoll 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
 - ___ Northern Cardinal
 - ___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak
 - ___ Black-headed Grosbeak
 - ___ Blue Grosbeak
 - ___ Indigo Bunting
 - ___ Painted Bunting
 - ___ Dickcissel
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