

IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Plymouth County - 273 Species

This checklist is provided as a service of the lowa Ornithologists' Union and is not officially sanctioned by any reviewing body.

Date	Time	_ Locality	Sky	Wind	Temp
Observers			Total Spe	cies Total Individ	uale
Observers			Total Spe	cies rotal individu	uais
Ducks, Geese, Swans	Goatsuckers	Caspian Tern	Red-bellied Woodpecker	Waxwings	Grasshopper Sparrow
Snow Goose	Common Nighthawk	Black Tern	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Cedar Waxwing	Lark Sparrow
Ross's Goose	Chuck-will's-widow	Forster's Tern	Downy Woodpecker	Nuthatches	Lark Bunting
Greater White-fronted Goose	Eastern Whip-poor-will	Loons	Hairy Woodpecker	Red-breasted Nuthatch	Chipping Sparrow
Cackling Goose	Swifts	Common Loon	Northern Flicker	White-breasted Nuthatch	Clay-colored Sparrow
Canada Goose	Chimney Swift	Cormorants	Pileated Woodpecker	Creepers	Field Sparrow
Trumpeter Swan	Hummingbirds	Double-crested Cormorant	Caracaras and Falcons	Brown Creeper	Fox Sparrow
Tundra Swan	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Pelicans	American Kestrel	Gnatcatchers	American Tree Sparrow
Wood Duck	Rufous Hummingbird	American White Pelican	Merlin	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Dark-eyed Junco
Blue-winged Teal	Rails, Gallinules, and Coots	Bitterns, Herons, and Allies	Peregrine Falcon	Wrens	White-crowned Sparrow
Cinnamon Teal	Virginia Rail	American Bittern	Prairie Falcon	Rock Wren	Harris's Sparrow
Northern Shoveler	Sora	Little Blue Heron	Flycatchers	Carolina Wren	White-throated Sparrow
Gadwall	American Coot	Snowy Egret	Great Crested Flycatcher	Northern House Wren	Vesper Sparrow
American Wigeon	Black Rail	Black-crowned Night Heron	Western Kingbird	Winter Wren	LeConte's Sparrow
Mallard		Green Heron	Eastern Kingbird		Nelson's Sparrow
American Black Duck	Cranes Sandhill Crane	Great Egret	Olive-sided Flycatcher	Sedge Wren	Henslow's Sparrow
Northern Pintail		Western Cattle Egret	Eastern Wood-Pewee	Marsh Wren	Savannah Sparrow
Green-winged Teal	Stilts and Avocets	Great Blue Heron	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Mimids	Song Sparrow
Canvasback	American Avocet		Alder Flycatcher	Gray Catbird	Lincoln's Sparrow
Redhead	Lapwings and Plovers	Ibises and Spoonbills	Willow Flycatcher	Brown Thrasher	Swamp Sparrow
Ring-necked Duck	American Golden-Plover	White-faced Ibis	Least Flycatcher	Sage Thrasher	Spotted Towhee
Greater Scaup	Killdeer	New World Vultures	Eastern Phoebe	Northern Mockingbird	Eastern Towhee
Lesser Scaup	Semipalmated Plover	Turkey Vulture	Say's Phoebe	Starlings	Blackbirds, Orioles
Surf Scoter	Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and	Ospreys	Vireos	European Starling	Yellow-headed Blackbird
Long-tailed Duck	Allies	Osprey	Bell's Vireo	Thrushes	Bobolink
Bufflehead	Upland Sandpiper	Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies	Yellow-throated Vireo	Eastern Bluebird	Eastern Meadowlark
Common Goldeneye	Whimbrel	Golden Eagle	Blue-headed Vireo	Mountain Bluebird	Western Meadowlark
Hooded Merganser	Hudsonian Godwit	Northern Harrier	Philadelphia Vireo	Townsend's Solitaire	Orchard Oriole
Common Merganser	Ruddy Turnstone	Sharp-shinned Hawk	Eastern Warbling Vireo	Gray-cheeked Thrush	Baltimore Oriole
Red-breasted Merganser	Stilt Sandpiper	Cooper's Hawk	Red-eyed Vireo	Swainson's Thrush	Red-winged Blackbird
Ruddy Duck	Sanderling	American Goshawk	Shrikes	Hermit Thrush	Brown-headed Cowbird
New World Quail	Dunlin	Bald Eagle	Loggerhead Shrike	Wood Thrush	Rusty Blackbird
Northern Bobwhite	Baird's Sandpiper	Red-shouldered Hawk	Northern Shrike	American Robin	Brewer's Blackbird
Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys,	Least Sandpiper	Broad-winged Hawk		Varied Thrush	Common Grackle
and Old World Quail	White-rumped Sandpiper	Swainson's Hawk	Jays, Magpies, Crows	Old World Sparrows	Great-tailed Grackle
Wild Turkey	Pectoral Sandpiper	Red-tailed Hawk	Blue Jay	House Sparrow	Wood-warblers
Greater Prairie-Chicken	Semipalmated Sandpiper	Rough-legged Hawk	Black-billed Magpie	Pipits	Ovenbird
Gray Partridge	Short-billed Dowitcher	Barn Owls	American Crow	American Pipit	Louisiana Waterthrush
Ring-necked Pheasant	American Woodcock	American Barn Owl	Common Raven	•	Northern Waterthrush
	Wilson's Snipe	Typical Owls	Chickadees, Titmice	Finches	Blue-winged Warbler
Grebes	Spotted Sandpiper	Eastern Screech-Owl	Black-capped Chickadee	Pine Grosbeak	Black-and-white Warble
Pied-billed Grebe	Solitary Sandpiper	Great Horned Owl	Larks	House Finch	Tennessee Warbler
Horned Grebe	Lesser Yellowlegs	Great nomed Owl	Horned Lark	Purple Finch	Orange-crowned Warble
Eared Grebe	Willet	Burrowing Owl	Swallows	Redpoll	Nashville Warbler
Western Grebe	Greater Yellowlegs	Barred Owl	Bank Swallow	Red Crossbill	Mourning Warbler
Pigeons, Doves	Wilson's Phalarope		Tree Swallow	White-winged Crossbill	Kentucky Warbler
White-winged Dove		Long-eared Owl	Northern Rough-winged Swallow	Pine Siskin	Common Yellowthroat
Mourning Dove	Gulls, Terns, Skimmers	Short-eared Owl	Purple Martin	American Goldfinch	American Redstart
Eurasian Collared-Dove	Bonaparte's Gull	Northern Saw-whet Owl	Barn Swallow	Longspurs, Snow Bunting	Cerulean Warbler
Rock Pigeon	Franklin's Gull	Kingfishers	Cliff Swallow	Lapland Longspur	Northern Parula
Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis	Ring-billed Gull	Belted Kingfisher	Kinglets	Chestnut-collared Longspur	Magnolia Warbler
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	American Herring Gull	Woodpeckers	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Snow Bunting	Bay-breasted Warbler
Black-billed Cuckoo	Least Tern	Red-headed Woodpecker	Golden-crowned Kinglet	Towhees, Sparrows	Blackburnian Warbler

Yellow Warbler
Chestnut-sided Warbler
Blackpoll Warbler
Palm Warbler
Yellow-rumped Warbler
Wilson's Warbler
Tanagers, Cardinals,
Grosbeaks, Buntings
Summer Tanager
Scarlet Tanager
Northern Cardinal
Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Black-headed Grosbeak
Blue Grosbeak
Lazuli Bunting
Indigo Bunting
Painted Bunting
Dickcissel

The taxonomic sequence and nomenclature used in this list follow the Checklist of North American Birds, 7th Edition, American Ornithologists' Union, 1998, updated through the 64th Supplement (Chesser et al. 2023).

lowa Ornithologists' Union (IOU) is a non-profit statewide organization devoted to the study, conservation, and enjoyment of lowa's birds. IOU's activities include reviewing and archiving sightings of rare birds through the lowa Records Committee, publishing lowa Bird Life: The lowa Ornithologists' Union quarterly journal, organizing field trips, and holding semi-annual weekends in various locations throughout the state. IOU also owns and manages IA-BIRD, the lowa birding community's online mailing list as well as maintains a social media presence through Facebook. To join the IOU, or for more information, visit us online at http://iowabirds.org/. IOU members maintain the list of species recorded in each county of the state from which this checklist is generated.

Copyright Iowa Ornithologists' Union. 2025. All Rights Reserved.