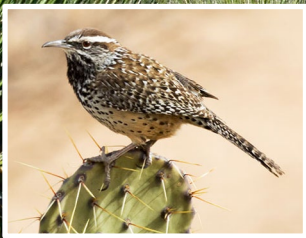




# Carlsbad Caverns National Park Bird Checklist

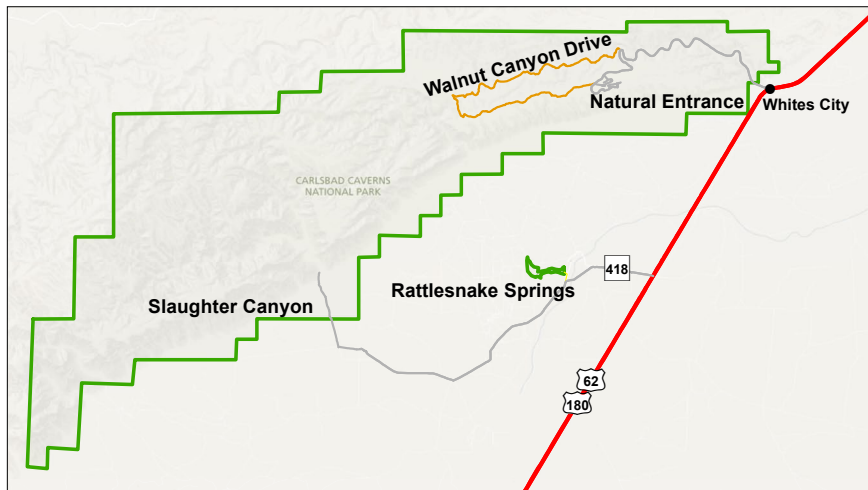


# Beauty in Flight: The Birds of Carlsbad Caverns

While Carlsbad Caverns National Park (NP) contains one of the largest, deepest, and most ornate caves in North America, beauty and wonder exist both above and below ground. Birds are an important part of the above ground ecosystem at Carlsbad, although at least one species, the Cave Swallow, nests in the park's iconic caves.

Carlsbad Caverns NP contains a great diversity of birds, with 368 species having been documented. This large number of species includes birds that are year-round residents, neotropical migrants that nest in the park or pass through on the way to northern breeding grounds, winter residents, and occasional or accidental species that wander in and may stay awhile. With the diversity of birds found in the park and the presence of species such as Bell's Vireo, Gray Vireo, and Varied Bunting, Carlsbad Caverns is one of the best national parks in the country for birding.

Carlsbad Caverns NP is located in the northern portion of the Chihuahuan Desert, the most biologically diverse desert in the Western Hemisphere. The vegetation in most of the park is characterized by desert shrubs including small



The best places to go birding in Carlsbad Caverns National Park include Walnut Canyon Drive, Slaughter Canyon, and especially, Rattlesnake Springs.

junipers and oaks, and especially by an array of cacti along with other succulents like lecheguilla, sotol, and ocotillo. Look for wrens, doves, Northern Mockingbird, sparrows, and kingbirds in Carlsbad Caverns's shrublands and grasslands.



The Black-throated Sparrow is commonly seen near the cave entrance area year-round. (NPS PHOTO / DANIEL LEIFHEIT)

Elevations in the park range up to more than 6,300 feet. Ponderosa

pine and pinyon-juniper woodlands are found in the highest elevations, with woodland bird species such as woodpeckers, Woodhouse-Scrub-Jays, Say's Phoebes, and Great Horned Owls present in these habitats.

One of the most important parts of the park for birds is Rattlesnake Springs, an isolated unit that hosts a large number of bird species. Rattlesnake Springs is a unique ecosystem that functions as a true desert oasis, with forested wetlands dominated by cottonwood and willow, and grasses and sedges along the stream.



Pyrrhuloxia  
(NPS PHOTO / DANIEL LEIFHEIT)

This vegetation provides important nesting habitat, especially for neotropical migratory birds. A large number of species breed at this site including Summer Tanager, Varied Bunting, Painted Bunting, Eastern Bluebird, Yellow-billed Cuckoo, and Orchard Oriole. Rattlesnake Springs also serves as an important stopover for occasional and accidental migrant species, including Least Flycatcher, Great Crested Flycatcher, Great Kiskadee, Carolina Wren, Hooded Warbler, Red-eyed Vireo, Blackburnian Warbler, Prothonotary Warbler, Black-throated Green Warbler, and Baltimore Oriole.

Rattlesnake Springs has been designated by the National Audubon Society as an Important Bird Area. Important Bird Areas support species of

conservation concern (e.g. threatened and endangered species), range-restricted species (species vulnerable because they are not widely distributed), species that are vulnerable because their populations are concentrated in one general habitat type, or species or groups of similar species (such as waterfowl or shorebirds) that are vulnerable because they occur at high densities due to their congregatory behavior.



Bell's Vireo (NPS PHOTO / COOKIE BALLOU)

The Southwestern Willow Flycatcher, a bird listed as Endangered, both federally and by the state, breeds at Rattlesnake Springs. The area's dense vegetation also provides an important breeding site in New Mexico for Bell's Vireo. Other rare birds to nest at Rattlesnake Springs include Indigo Bunting and Phainopepla. Gray Hawks have fledged young at the site in some recent years. Common Black Hawk, Neotropic Cormorant, Bald Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Broad-billed Hummingbird, Lucifer Hummingbird, and Baird's Sparrow have also been observed at Rattlesnake Springs.

## Birding Ethics

**Be mindful by following ethical birding guidelines that protect birds and enhance everyone's birding experience:**

- » Keep your distance and avoid disturbing bird nesting sites; move away from alarmed pairs.
- » Report bird observations to park rangers at the visitor center. This helps other birders and supports research.
- » Do not use broadcasting calls to attract birds; calls interfere with nesting activity and may frustrate other birders.
- » Report rare species nesting sites to appropriate park officials only. Use caution when posting bird sightings over social media.
- » Do not set up bird feeding stations or feed birds in national parks.

# Checklist Key

This checklist provides information on the abundance for each season for bird species found in Carlsbad Caverns NP.

## Abundance

Abundance information is for suitable habitat.

- **C – Common:** May be seen daily but not in large numbers
- **U – Uncommon:** Likely to be seen monthly; may be locally common
- **R – Rare:** Present, but usually seen only a few times each year
- **O – Occasional:** Seen in the park at least once every few years, but not necessarily every year
- **Ac – Accidental:** Seen no more than a few times; birds that have strayed out of their normal range/habitat

## Season

- **Summer** – June–July
- **Fall** – August–November
- **Winter** – December–March
- **Spring** – March–May

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Mallard



Redhead



Ring-necked Duck



Lesser Scaup



Bufflehead

## Checklist

### Waterfowl (Anatidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	Ac	–	–	–
Snow Goose	R	–	O	R
Ross's Goose	–	–	–	Ac
Canada Goose	–	–	–	O
Tundra Swan	Ac	–	–	–
Wood Duck	U	Ac	U	U
Blue-winged Teal	C	–	C	R
Cinnamon Teal	U	Ac	U	O
Northern Shoveler	U	O	U	C
Gadwall	U	–	U	C
American Wigeon	U	–	U	U
Mallard	U	R	U	U
Northern Pintail	U	O	U	U
Green-winged Teal	C	O	C	C
Canvasback	O	–	–	R
Redhead	U	–	R	U
Ring-necked Duck	C	–	U	C
Lesser Scaup	R	–	R	U
Bufflehead	R	–	R	U
Common Goldeneye	O	–	O	R
Hooded Merganser	Ac	–	Ac	O
Common Merganser	–	–	–	O
Ruddy Duck	R	–	R	U

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## New World Quail (Odontophoridae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Scaled Quail	C	C	C	C
Montezuma Quail	–	O	O	–

## Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail (Phasianidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Wild Turkey	C	C	C	C
Lesser Prairie-Chicken	–	–	Ac	–

## Grebes (Podicipedidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Pied-billed Grebe	U	–	U	U
Eared Grebe	Ac	–	Ac	Ac
Western Grebe	–	–	–	Ac

## Pigeons and Doves (Columbidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Rock Pigeon	Ac	–	–	–
Band-tailed Pigeon	R	R	R	–
Eurasian Collared-Dove	C	C	C	C
Inca Dove	O	O	–	–
Common Ground Dove	O	O	O	O
Ruddy Ground Dove	–	Ac	–	–
White-winged Dove	C	C	C	C
Mourning Dove	C	C	C	C

## Cuckoos, Roadrunners and Anis (Cuculidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Groove-billed Ani	–	Ac	Ac	–
Greater Roadrunner	C	C	C	C
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	U	C	U	–
Black-billed Cuckoo	Ac	–	Ac	–



Scaled Quail



Wild Turkey



Common Ground-Dove



White-winged Dove



Greater Roadrunner



Lesser Nighthawk



White-throated Swift



Black-chinned Hummingbird



Broad-tailed Hummingbird



Rufous Hummingbird

### Nighthawks (Caprimulgidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Lesser Nighthawk	U	U	U	Ac
Common Nighthawk	U	U	U	–
Common Poorwill	C	C	C	R
Mexican Whip-poor-will	Ac	–	Ac	–

### Swifts (Apodidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Chimney Swift	O	–	O	–
White-throated Swift	U	U	U	R

### Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Rivoli's Hummingbird	–	O	–	–
Blue-throated Mountain-gem	–	O	–	–
Lucifer Hummingbird	–	–	Ac	–
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	–	–	O	–
Black-chinned Hummingbird	C	C	C	–
Anna's Hummingbird	–	–	–	Ac
Broad-billed Hummingbird	Ac	–	–	–
Calliope Hummingbird	–	–	O	–
Rufous Hummingbird	–	U	C	–
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	U	–	U	–



## Rails, Gallinules, and Coots (Rallidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Virginia Rail	U	–	U	U
Sora	U	–	U	U
Common Gallinule	O	–	O	O
American Coot	C	C	C	C

## Cranes (Gruidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Sandhill Crane	U	–	U	U

## Avocets and Stilts (Recurvirostridae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Black-necked Stilt	O	–	O	Ac
American Avocet	O	–	O	–

## Plovers (Charadriidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Killdeer	C	U	C	C

## Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies (Scolopacidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Upland Sandpiper	–	–	U	–
Long-billed Curlew	R	–	R	–
Baird's Sandpiper	O	–	O	–
Least Sandpiper	U	–	U	O
Semipalmated Sandpiper	Ac	–	–	–
Western Sandpiper	R	–	R	–
Long-billed Dowitcher	O	–	O	–
American Woodcock	–	–	O	Ac
Wilson's Snipe	U	Ac	U	C
Spotted Sandpiper	U	Ac	U	–
Solitary Sandpiper	O	–	O	–



Sandhill Crane

The distinctive bugling calls of migrating Sandhill Cranes alert birders to their passage overhead. Commonly heard in the spring, Sandhill Cranes vocalize during flight to communicate among flock members. These noisy, gregarious birds travel from their wintering grounds in the southwestern United States and northern Mexico to breeding areas in Canada.



American Avocet



Killdeer



Lesser Yellowlegs



Black Tern



American White Pelican



Great Blue Heron



Snowy Egret

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Lesser Yellowlegs	O	–	O	–
Willet	O	–	–	–
Greater Yellowlegs	R	–	R	–
Wilson's Phalarope	O	–	O	–
Red-necked Phalarope	–	–	Ac	–

### Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers (Laridae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Franklin's Gull	Ac	–	–	–
Ring-billed Gull	–	–	–	Ac
Black Tern	O	–	O	–
Forster's Tern	Ac	–	–	–

### Cormorants (Phalacrocoracidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Double-crested Cormorant	–	–	O	–
Neotropic Cormorant	–	O	–	–

### Pelicans (Pelecanidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
American White Pelican	O	–	O	–

### Bitterns, Herons, and Allies (Ardeidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
American Bittern	O	–	O	–
Great Blue Heron	U	R	U	U
Great Egret	R	–	R	–
Snowy Egret	U	–	U	–
Tricolored Heron	Ac	Ac	–	–
Cattle Egret	O	–	O	–
Green Heron	U	R	U	–

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Black-crowned Night-Heron	R	O	R	–
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	–	Ac	Ac	–

### Ibises and Spoonbills (Threskiornithidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
White Ibis	Ac	–	–	–
White-faced Ibis	U	–	U	–

### New World Vultures (Cathartidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Black Vulture	Ac	–	–	–
Turkey Vulture	C	C	C	Ac

### Ospreys (Pandionidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Osprey	R	–	R	–

### Hawks, Kites, Eagles and Allies (Accipitridae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
White-tailed Kite	Ac	–	–	Ac
Golden Eagle	U	U	U	U
Northern Harrier	U	U	U	C
Sharp-shinned Hawk	U	–	U	U
Cooper's Hawk	U	U	U	C
Northern Goshawk	–	–	Ac	Ac
Bald Eagle	–	–	–	Ac
Mississippi Kite	R	–	R	–
Common Black Hawk	O	–	O	–
Harris's Hawk	O	O	O	O
Gray Hawk	O	O	O	–



Turkey Vulture



Osprey



Northern Harrier



Gray Hawk



Zone-tailed Hawk



Red-tailed Hawk



Barn Owl



Great Horned Owl



Belted Kingfisher

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Red-shouldered Hawk	Ac	–	Ac	Ac
Broad-winged Hawk	O	–	O	–
Short-tailed Hawk	Ac	–	–	–
Swainson's Hawk	U	U	C	–
Zone-tailed Hawk	R	–	R	–
Red-tailed Hawk	C	U	C	C
Rough-legged Hawk	O	–	–	O
Ferruginous Hawk	U	Ac	U	U

### Barn Owls (Tytonidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Barn Owl	U	U	U	U

### Typical Owls (Strigidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Flammulated Owl	O	–	O	–
Western Screech-Owl	U	U	U	U
Great Horned Owl	U	U	U	U
Northern Pygmy-Owl	Ac	–	–	–
Elf Owl	–	R	–	–
Burrowing Owl	O	O	O	Ac
Spotted Owl	U	U	U	U
Long-eared Owl	O	–	O	O
Short-eared Owl	Ac	–	–	R

### Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Belted Kingfisher	U	–	U	C

## Woodpeckers and Allies (Picidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Lewis's Woodpecker	–	–	–	O
Red-headed Woodpecker	O	–	–	–
Acorn Woodpecker	U	U	U	U
Red-bellied Woodpecker	O	–	O	O
Williamson's Sapsucker	–	–	O	O
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	U	–	U	U
Red-naped Sapsucker	U	–	C	C
Downy Woodpecker	O	–	O	O
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	C	C	C	C
Hairy Woodpecker	R	O	R	R
Northern Flicker	C	O	C	C

## Falcons (Falconidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
American Kestrel	U	U	U	C
Merlin	–	–	–	O
Peregrine Falcon	R	R	U	R
Prairie Falcon	U	O	U	U

## Tyrant Flycatchers (Tyrannidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Dusky-capped Flycatcher	Ac	–	–	–
Ash-throated Flycatcher	C	C	U	–
Great Crested Flycatcher	O	–	O	–
Great Kiskadee	Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac
Piratic Flycatcher	–	–	Ac	–
Tropical Kingbird	–	Ac	–	–
Cassin's Kingbird	C	C	C	–
Thick-billed Kingbird	Ac	–	–	–



Ladder-backed Woodpecker



Northern Flicker



American Kestrel

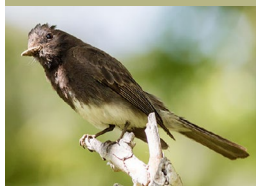


Ash-throated Flycatcher





Western Kingbird



Black Phoebe



Say's Phoebe



Vermilion Flycatcher



Loggerhead Shrike

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Western Kingbird	C	C	C	–
Eastern Kingbird	O	Ac	O	–
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	U	O	U	–
Olive-sided Flycatcher	U	Ac	U	–
Greater Pewee	Ac	–	–	–
Western Wood-Pewee	C	O	C	–
Eastern Wood-Pewee	Ac	Ac	Ac	–
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	–	–	Ac	–
Willow Flycatcher	U	U	U	–
Least Flycatcher	Ac	–	Ac	–
Hammond's Flycatcher	U	–	U	Ac
Gray Flycatcher	U	–	U	Ac
Dusky Flycatcher	U	–	U	–
Cordilleran Flycatcher	U	–	U	Ac
Black Phoebe	C	C	C	C
Eastern Phoebe	U	–	U	U
Say's Phoebe	C	C	C	C
Vermilion Flycatcher	C	C	C	R

### Shrikes (Laniidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Loggerhead Shrike	C	U	C	C

### Vireos (Vireonidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Black-capped Vireo	Ac	Ac	–	–
White-eyed Vireo	O	Ac	O	–
Bell's Vireo	C	C	U	–
Gray Vireo	C	C	–	–
Hutton's Vireo	–	–	–	Ac

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Yellow-throated Vireo	O	Ac	O	-
Cassin's Vireo	O	-	O	-
Blue-headed Vireo	O	-	O	-
Plumbeous Vireo	C	C	U	-
Philadelphia Vireo	Ac	-	Ac	-
Warbling Vireo	U	-	U	-
Red-eyed Vireo	O	Ac	O	-
Yellow-green Vireo	-	Ac	-	-



Plumbeous Vireo



Steller's Jay

### Jays and Ravens (Corvidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Pinyon Jay	-	-	O	O
Steller's Jay	O	-	O	O
Blue Jay	O	-	O	-
Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay	C	R	C	C
Clark's Nutcracker	-	Ac	-	Ac
Black-billed Magpie	Ac	-	-	-
American Crow	-	-	-	O
Chihuahuan Raven	U	O	U	U
Common Raven	U	-	R	U



Chihuahuan Raven

### Larks (Alaudidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Horned Lark	U	U	U	U



American Crow

### Swallows (Hirundinidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Bank Swallow	R	-	R	-
Tree Swallow	U	-	U	-
Violet-green Swallow	U	U	U	-
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	U	-	U	-



Horned Lark

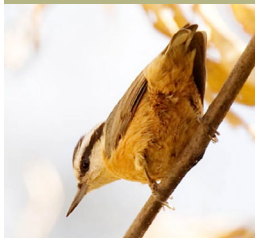


Cave Swallow

Visiting Carlsbad Caverns NP is a surefire way to see Cave Swallows. They nest inside the main cavern, making it easy to watch them fly in and out. When they enter a cave, they float down into it and fly back out in a spiral. They spend most of their time aloft, but head to the ground to collect tiny balls of mud or bat guano to build nests.



Verdin



Red-breasted Nuthatch

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Purple Martin	–	O	O	–
Barn Swallow	C	C	U	–
Cliff Swallow	U	U	U	–
Cave Swallow	C	C	C	–

### Chickadees and Titmice (Paridae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Mountain Chickadee	U	U	U	U
Juniper Titmouse	R	R	R	R

### Verdins (Remizidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Verdin	U	U	U	U

### Bushtits (Aegithalidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Bushtit	U	U	U	U

### Nuthatches (Sittidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Red-breasted Nuthatch	U	–	U	U
White-breasted Nuthatch	U	R	U	U
Pygmy Nuthatch	O	O	O	O

### Treecreepers (Certhiidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Brown Creeper	O	–	R	R

## Wrens (Troglodytidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Rock Wren	C	C	C	C
Canyon Wren	C	C	C	C
House Wren	C	–	C	U
Pacific Wren	R	–	R	R
Winter Wren	U	–	U	U
Sedge Wren	–	–	–	Ac
Marsh Wren	U	–	U	U
Carolina Wren	O	O	O	O
Bewick's Wren	C	C	C	C
Cactus Wren	C	C	C	C



Rock Wren



Canyon Wren

## Gnatcatchers (Poliopitidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	R	R	R	R
Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	O	O	O	O



Cactus Wren

## Dippers (Cinclidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
American Dipper	–	–	Ac	–

## Kinglets (Regulidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Golden-crowned Kinglet	O	–	O	O
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	U	–	U	C



Ruby-crowned Kinglet

## Thrushes (Turdidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Eastern Bluebird	U	U	U	U
Western Bluebird	U	U	U	U
Mountain Bluebird	U	–	U	U
Townsend's Solitaire	R	–	R	U



Eastern Bluebird



American Robin



Gray Catbird



Northern Mockingbird



Cedar Waxwing



Phainopepla

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Swainson's Thrush	U	–	U	–
Hermit Thrush	U	–	U	C
Wood Thrush	Ac	–	–	–
American Robin	U	–	U	C
Varied Thrush	–	–	Ac	–

### Mockingbirds and Thrashers (Mimidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Gray Catbird	U	–	U	O
Curve-billed Thrasher	U	U	U	U
Brown Thrasher	U	R	U	U
Long-billed Thrasher	Ac	–	–	–
Crissal Thrasher	U	U	U	U
Sage Thrasher	U	–	C	U
Northern Mockingbird	C	C	C	C

### Starlings (Sturnidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
European Starling	U	O	U	U

### Waxwings (Bombycillidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Cedar Waxwing	U	–	U	U

### Silky-flycatchers (Ptiliogonatidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Phainopepla	U	U	U	R

### Old World Sparrows (Passeridae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
House Sparrow	R	R	R	R



### Pipits (Motacillidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
American Pipit	U	–	U	U
Sprague's Pipit	–	–	Ac	Ac



American Pipit

### Finches (Fringillidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Evening Grosbeak	–	–	–	O
House Finch	C	C	C	C
Purple Finch	–	–	–	Ac
Cassin's Finch	O	–	O	O
Red Crossbill	–	Ac	–	–
Pine Siskin	U	Ac	U	U
Lesser Goldfinch	U	C	C	U
American Goldfinch	U	Ac	U	C



House Finch



Cassin's Finch

### Longspurs (Calcariidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Chestnut-collared Longspur	U	–	–	U
Thick-billed Longspur	–	–	–	Ac



Lesser Goldfinch

### New World Sparrows and Towhees (Passerellidae)

✓ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Cassin's Sparrow	U	C	U	U
Grasshopper Sparrow	R	–	R	Ac
Black-throated Sparrow	C	C	C	C
Lark Sparrow	U	C	U	Ac
Lark Bunting	U	–	U	R
Chipping Sparrow	C	R	C	U
Clay-colored Sparrow	U	–	U	Ac
Black-chinned Sparrow	U	U	U	U
Field Sparrow	U	–	U	U



Chipping Sparrow



White-crowned Sparrow



Lincoln's Sparrow



Canyon Towhee



Spotted Towhee



Yellow-breasted Chat

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Brewer's Sparrow	C	–	C	U
Fox Sparrow	U	–	–	U
American Tree Sparrow	–	–	–	Ac
Dark-eyed Junco	U	–	U	C
White-crowned Sparrow	C	Ac	C	C
Golden-crowned Sparrow	Ac	–	Ac	–
Harris's Sparrow	O	–	O	–
White-throated Sparrow	U	–	U	U
Sagebrush Sparrow	U	–	U	U
Vesper Sparrow	U	–	U	U
LeConte's Sparrow	–	–	Ac	–
Baird's Sparrow	–	–	R	–
Savannah Sparrow	U	–	U	U
Song Sparrow	U	–	U	C
Lincoln's Sparrow	U	–	U	U
Swamp Sparrow	U	–	U	U
Canyon Towhee	C	C	C	C
Rufous-crowned Sparrow	C	C	C	C
Green-tailed Towhee	U	–	U	U
Spotted Towhee	U	–	U	C
Eastern Towhee	–	–	–	Ac

#### Yellow-Breasted Chat (Icteriidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Yellow-breasted Chat	U	C	U	–

## Blackbirds, Orioles, and Allies (Icteridae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Yellow-headed Blackbird	U	O	U	O
Bobolink	–	–	R	–
Eastern Meadowlark	C	C	C	C
Western Meadowlark	C	C	C	C
Orchard Oriole	U	C	–	–
Hooded Oriole	U	U	–	–
Streak-backed Oriole	Ac	–	–	Ac
Bullock's Oriole	C	C	C	–
Baltimore Oriole	O	Ac	O	–
Scott's Oriole	C	C	C	Ac
Red-winged Blackbird	C	U	C	C
Shiny Cowbird	–	Ac	–	–
Bronzed Cowbird	U	U	–	–
Brown-headed Cowbird	C	C	C	U
Rusty Blackbird	O	–	O	O
Brewer's Blackbird	C	–	C	C
Common Grackle	O	–	–	–
Great-tailed Grackle	U	U	U	U

## Wood-Warblers (Parulidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Ovenbird	O	–	O	–
Worm-eating Warbler	Ac	–	Ac	–
Louisiana Waterthrush	Ac	–	Ac	–
Northern Waterthrush	U	–	U	–
Golden-winged Warbler	Ac	–	–	–
Blue-winged Warbler	Ac	–	–	–
Black-and-white Warbler	U	–	U	–
Prothonotary Warbler	O	–	O	–



Yellow-headed Blackbird



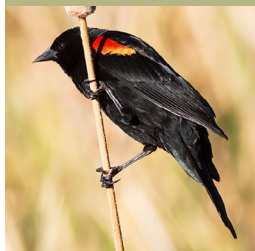
Western Meadowlark



Bullock's Oriole



Scott's Oriole



Red-winged Blackbird



Orange-crowned Warbler



Common Yellowthroat



Yellow Warbler



Yellow-rumped Warbler



Grace's Warbler

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Swainson's Warbler	Ac	–	Ac	–
Tennessee Warbler	O	–	O	–
Orange-crowned Warbler	U	–	U	O
Lucy's Warbler	U	U	R	–
Nashville Warbler	U	–	U	–
Virginia's Warbler	U	–	U	–
Connecticut Warbler	–	–	Ac	–
MacGillivray's Warbler	U	–	U	–
Kentucky Warbler	Ac	–	–	–
Common Yellowthroat	C	U	C	U
Hooded Warbler	O	–	–	–
American Redstart	R	–	R	–
Cape May Warbler	Ac	–	–	–
Cerulean Warbler	Ac	–	–	–
Northern Parula	O	Ac	O	–
Magnolia Warbler	O	–	–	–
Bay-breasted Warbler	O	–	O	–
Blackburnian Warbler	O	–	O	–
Yellow Warbler	C	U	C	–
Chestnut-sided Warbler	O	–	O	–
Blackpoll Warbler	O	–	O	–
Black-throated Blue Warbler	O	–	O	–
Palm Warbler	O	–	O	–
Pine Warbler	O	–	O	O
Yellow-rumped Warbler	C	Ac	C	U
Yellow-throated Warbler	O	Ac	O	–
Prairie Warbler	Ac	–	Ac	–
Grace's Warbler	U	–	U	–

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Black-throated Gray Warbler	U	–	U	–
Townsend's Warbler	U	–	U	–
Hermit Warbler	Ac	–	–	–
Black-throated Green Warbler	O	Ac	O	–
Canada Warbler	Ac	–	Ac	–
Wilson's Warbler	C	–	C	Ac
Red-faced Warbler	Ac	–	–	–
Painted Redstart	O	O	–	–

### Piranga Tanagers, Cardinals, and Allies (Cardinalidae)

√ Common Name	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Hepatic Tanager	U	U	U	–
Summer Tanager	C	C	C	–
Scarlet Tanager	Ac	–	Ac	–
Western Tanager	U	U	U	–
Northern Cardinal	C	C	C	C
Pyrrhuloxia	U	U	U	U
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	R	–	R	–
Black-headed Grosbeak	U	U	U	–
Blue Grosbeak	C	C	C	–
Lazuli Bunting	U	Ac	U	–
Indigo Bunting	U	R	U	–
Varied Bunting	U	U	U	–
Painted Bunting	C	C	U	–
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Summer Tanager



Pyrrhuloxia



Blue Grosbeak



Varied Bunting



Dickcissel

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