

Thrushes (Turdidae)

☐ Western Bluebird	M
☐ Mountain Bluebird	M
☐ Townsend’s Solitaire	M
☐ Swainson’s Thrush	M
☐ Hermit Thrush	MW
☐ Wood Thrush	M*
☐ American Robin	MW
☐ Rufous-backed Robin	M*
☐ Varied Thrush	MW*

Mockingbirds and Thrashers (Mimidae)

☐ Gray Catbird	M*
☐ Northern Mockingbird	Y
☐ Brown Thrasher	M*
☐ Sage Thrasher	M

Starlings (Sturnidae)

☐ European Starling	Y
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Wagtails and Pipits (Motacillidae)

☐ American Pipit	M
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Waxwings (Bombycillidae)

☐ Bohemian Waxwing	M*
☐ Cedar Waxwing	MW

Silky-flycatchers (Ptilogonatidae)

☐ Phainopepla	Y
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Wood-Warblers (Parulidae)

☐ Tennessee Warbler	M*
☐ Orange-crowned Warbler	M
☐ Nashville Warbler	M
☐ Virginia’s Warbler	M*
☐ Lucy’s Warbler	S
☐ Northern Parula	M*
☐ Yellow Warbler	M
☐ Chestnut-sided Warbler	M*
☐ Magnolia Warbler	M*
☐ Cape May Warbler	M*
☐ Black-throated Blue Warbler	M*
☐ Yellow-rumped Warbler	MW
☐ Black-throated Gray Warbler	M
☐ Hermit Warbler	M
☐ Townsend’s Warbler	M
☐ Blackpoll Warbler	M*
☐ Black-and-white Warbler	M*
☐ American Redstart	M*
☐ Prothonotary Warbler	M*
☐ Ovenbird	M*
☐ Northern Waterthrush	M*
☐ MacGillivray’s Warbler	M
☐ Canada Warbler	M*
☐ Wilson’s Warbler	M
☐ Hooded Warbler	M*
☐ Common Yellowthroat	Y
☐ Yellow-breasted Chat	M
☐ Painted Redstart	M*

Emberizids (Emberizidae)

☐ Eastern Towhee	M*
☐ Spotted Towhee	M
☐ Green-tailed Towhee	M

☐ American Tree Sparrow	M*
☐ Chipping Sparrow	MW
☐ Clay-colored Sparrow	M*
☐ Brewer’s Sparrow	M
☐ Black-throated Sparrow	Y
☐ Sagebrush Sparrow	MW
☐ Vesper Sparrow	MW
☐ Lark Sparrow	M
☐ Savannah Sparrow	MW
☐ Lincoln’s Sparrow	MW
☐ Song Sparrow	MW
☐ Swamp Sparrow	M*
☐ Fox Sparrow	MW
☐ Harris’s Sparrow	MW*
☐ White-throated Sparrow	M*
☐ White-crowned Sparrow	MW
☐ Golden-crowned Sparrow	MW
☐ Dark-eyed Junco	MW

Cardinals and Tanager (Cardinalidae)

☐ Hepatic Tanager	M*
☐ Summer Tanager	M*
☐ Scarlet Tanager	M*
☐ Western Tanager	M
☐ Dickcissel	M*
☐ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	M*
☐ Black-headed Grosbeak	M
☐ Blue Grosbeak	M
☐ Painted Bunting	M*
☐ Indigo Bunting	M*
☐ Lazuli Bunting	M

Blackbirds (Icteridae)

☐ Western Meadowlark	M
☐ Bobolink	M*
☐ Red-winged Blackbird	Y
☐ Tricolored Blackbird	M*
☐ Yellow-headed Blackbird	M
☐ Brewer’s Blackbird	Y
☐ Common Grackle	M*
☐ Great-tailed Grackle	Y
☐ Brown-headed Cowbird	Y
☐ Orchard Oriole	M*
☐ Hooded Oriole	M
☐ Steak-backed Oriole	M*
☐ Bullock’s Oriole	M
☐ Scott’s Oriole	M

Finches (Fringillidae)

☐ Purple Finch	M*
☐ Cassin’s Finch	M*
☐ House Finch	Y
☐ Red Crossbill	M*
☐ American Goldfinch	MW
☐ Lesser Goldfinch	Y
☐ Lawrence’s Goldfinch	M
☐ Pine Siskin	MW
☐ Evening Grosbeak	M

Old World Sparrows (Passeridae)

☐ House Sparrow	Y
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Observations and Notes

Taxonomy and Nomenclature Follows:
American Ornithologists’ Union Checklist
North American Birds, 7th Edition (1997)
53rd Supplement (2012).

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Bird List

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Zzyzx, California
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M=Migrant (Fall and/or Spring)
S = Summer Resident (Breeds)
W = Winter Resident
Y = Year-round Resident
* = Accidental

Ducks, Geese and Swans (Anatidae)

☐ GreaterWhite-fronted Goose	M
☐ Snow Goose	M
☐ Ross’s Goose	M*
☐ Canada Goose	MW
☐ Tundra Swan	M*
☐ Wood Duck	M
☐ Mallard	MW
☐ Gadwall	MW
☐ Green-winged Teal	MW
☐ American Wigeon	MW
☐ Northern Pintail	MW
☐ Northern Shoveler	MW
☐ Blue-winged Teal	M
☐ Cinnamon Teal	MW
☐ Canvasback	MW
☐ Redhead	MW
☐ Ring-necked Duck	MW
☐ Lesser Scaup	MW
☐ Bufflehead	MW
☐ Common Goldeneye	M*
☐ Hooded Merganser	M*
☐ Red-breasted Merganser	M*
☐ Ruddy Duck	MW

New World Quail (Odontophoridae)

☐ Gambel’sQuail	Y
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Partridges and Old World Quail (Phasianidae)

☐ Chukar	Y
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Loons (Gaviidae)

☐ Common Loon	M*
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Grebes (Podicipedidae)

☐ Pied-billed Grebe	Y
☐ Eared Grebe	M
☐ Western Grebe	M

Cormorants (Phalacrocoracidae)

☐ Double-crested Cormorant	M
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Pelicans (Pelecanidae)

☐ American White Pelican	M
☐ Brown Pelican	M*

Herons, Bitterns and Egrets (Ardeidae)

☐ American Bittern	M
☐ Least Bitten	M*
☐ Great Blue Heron	M
☐ Cattle Egret	M
☐ Snowy Egret	M
☐ Great Egret	M
☐ Green Heron	M
☐ Black-crowned Night-Heron	M
☐ Yellow-crowned N ight-Heron	M*

Ibises (Threskiornithidae)

☐ White-faced Ibis	M
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New World Vultures (Cathartidae)

☐ Turkey Vulture	M
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Ospreys (Pandionidae)

☐ Osprey	M
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Kites, Eagles, and Hawks (Accipitridae)

☐ Golden Eagle	Y
☐ Northern Harrier	M
☐ Sharp-shinned Hawk	MW
☐ Cooper’s Hawk	MW
☐ Broad-winged Hawk	M*
☐ Red-shouldered Hawk	M
☐ Swainson’s Hawk	M
☐ Ferruginous Hawk	M
☐ Rough-legged Hawk	M
☐ Red-tailed Hawk	Y

Caracaras and Falcons (Falconidae)

☐ American Kestrel	Y
☐ Merlin	MW
☐ Prairie Falcon	Y
☐ Peregrine Falcon	M*

Rails, Gallinules and Coots (Rallidae)

☐ Sora	M
☐ Virginia Rail	M
☐ Purple Gallinule	M*
☐ Common Gallinule	M
☐ American Coot	Y

Cranes (Gruidae)

☐ Sandhill Crane	M*
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Lapwings and Plover (Charadriidae)

☐ Killdeer	Y
☐ Semipalmated Plover	M

Stilts and Avocets (Recurvirostridae)

☐ Black-necked Stilt	M
☐ AmericanAvocet	M

Sandpipers and Phalaropes (Scolopacidae)

☐ Willet	M
☐ Greater Yellowlegs	M
☐ Lesser Yellowlegs	M
☐ Solitary Sandpiper	M
☐ Spotted Sandpiper	M
☐ Western Sandpiper	M
☐ Least Sandpiper	M
☐ Baird’s Sandpiper	M
☐ Long-billed Dowitcher	M
☐ Wilson’s Snipe	M
☐ Wilson’s Phalarope	M
☐ Red-necked Phalarope	M

Gulls, Terns and Skimmers (Laridae)

☐ Bonaparte’s Gull	M
☐ Heermann’s Gull	M*
☐ Ring-billed Gull	M
☐ California Gull	M
☐ Least Tern	M*
☐ Black Tern	M
☐ Forster's Tern	M

Pigeons and Doves (Columbidae)

☐ Band-tailed pigeon	M*
☐ Rock Dove	Y
☐ Eurasian Collared-Dove	Y
☐ Mourning Dove	Y
☐ White-winged Dove	S
☐ Common Ground-Dove	M*
☐ Ruddy Ground-Dove	M*
☐ Inca Dove	M*

Cuckoos, Roadrunners and Anis (Cuculidae)

☐ Greater Roadrunner	Y
☐ Groove-billed Ani	M*

Barn Owls (Tytonidae)

☐ Barn Owl	Y
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Typical Owls (Strigidae)

☐ Long-eared Owl	Y
☐ Great Horned Owl	Y
☐ Burrowing Owl	M*

Goatsuckers (Caprimulgidae)

☐ Lesser Nighthawk	S
☐ Common Poorwill	S

Swifts (Apodidae)

☐ Vaux’sSwift	M
☐ White-throated Swift	Y

Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)

☐ Black-chinned Hummingbird	S
☐ Costa’s Hummingbird	S
☐ Anna’s Hummingbird	S
☐ Calliope Hummingbird	M
☐ Rufous Hummingbird	M

Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)

☐ Belted Kingfisher	M
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Woodpeckers (Picidae)

☐ Acorn Woodpecker	M*
☐ Lewis’s Woodpecker	M
☐ Williamson’s Sapsucker	M*
☐ Red-breasted Sapsucker	MW
☐ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	M*
☐ Red-naped Sapsucker	MW
☐ Ladder-backed Woodpecker	Y
☐ Northern Flicker	
☐ “Yellow-shafted”	M*
☐ “Red-shafted”	MW

Tyrant Flycatchers (Tyrannidae)

☐ Olive-sided Flycatcher	M
☐ Western Wood-Pewee	M
☐ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	M*
☐ Willow Flycatcher	M
☐ Least Flycatcher	M*
☐ Hammond’sFlycatcher	M
☐ GrayFlycatcher	M
☐ DuskyFlycatcher	M
☐ Pacific-slope Flycatcher	M
☐ Eastern Phoebe	M*
☐ Black Phoebe	Y

☐ Say’s Phoebe	Y
☐ Vermilion Flycatcher	S
☐ Great Crested Flycatcher	M*
☐ Dusky-capped Flycatcher	M*
☐ Ash-throated Flycatcher	M
☐ Cassin’s Kingbird	M
☐ Western Kingbird	M
☐ Tropical Kingbird	M*
☐ Eastern Kingbird	M*
☐ Scissor-Tailed Flycatcher	M*

Shrikes (Laniidae)

☐ Loggerhead Shrike	Y
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Vireos (Vireonidae)

☐ Yellow-throated Vireo	M*
☐ Cassin’sVireo	M
☐ Bell’sVireo	M
☐ Red-eyed Vireo	M*
☐ Warbling Vireo	M

Crows and Jays (Corvidae)

☐ California Scrub-Jay	M*
☐ American Crow	M*
☐ Common Raven	Y

Larks (Alaudidae)

☐ Horned Lark	Y
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Swallows (Hirundinidae)

☐ Purple Martin	M*
☐ Tree Swallow	M
☐ Violet-green Swallow	M
☐ Barn Swallow	M
☐ N. Rough-winged Swallow	M
☐ Bank Swallow	M
☐ Cliff Swallow	M

Verdins (Remizidae)

☐ Verdin	Y
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Nuthatches (Sittidae)

☐ Red-breasted Nuthatch	M
☐ White-breasted Nuthatch	M

Creepers (Certhiidae)

☐ Brown Creeper	M*
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Wrens (Troglodytidae)

☐ Rock Wren	Y
☐ Canyon Wren	Y
☐ Cactus Wren	Y
☐ House Wren	M
☐ Pacific Wren	M*
☐ Bewick’s Wren	M
☐ Marsh Wren	Y

Kinglets (Regulidae)

☐ Golden-crowned Kinglet	M*
☐ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	M

Gnatcatchers and Gnatwrens (Pollioptilidae)

☐ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	M
☐ Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	Y