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Checklist of the Birds of Iowa City - 281 Species - 103 nesting [*] & 85 species of Greatest Conservation Need [#]

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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
- ___ American Wigeon
- ___ *Mallard
- ___ American Black Duck
- ___ Mottled Duck
- ___ Northern Pintail
- ___ Green-winged Teal
- ___ Canvasback
- ___ Redhead
- ___ Ring-necked Duck
- ___ Greater Scaup
- ___ Lesser Scaup
- ___ Surf Scoter
- ___ Black Scoter
- ___ Long-tailed Duck
- ___ Bufflehead
- ___ Common Goldeneye
- ___ *Hooded Merganser
- ___ Common Merganser
- ___ Red-breasted Merganser
- ___ Ruddy Duck

Upland Game Birds

- ___ Northern Bobwhite
- ___ Gray Partridge
- ___ *Ring-necked Pheasant
- ___ *Wild Turkey

Grebes

- ___ Pied-billed Grebe
- ___ Horned Grebe
- ___ Eared Grebe
- ___ Western Grebe

Pigeons, Doves

- ___ *Rock Pigeon
- ___ *Eurasian Collared-Dove
- ___ White-winged Dove
- ___ *Mourning Dove

Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis

- ___ *Yellow-billed Cuckoo

*Black-billed Cuckoo

Nighthawks, Nightjars

- ___ *Common Nighthawk
- ___ Eastern Whip-poor-will

Swifts, Hummingbirds

- ___ *Chimney Swift
- ___ *Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- ___ Rufous Hummingbird

Rails, Coots, Cranes

- ___ Virginia Rail
- ___ Sora
- ___ Common Gallinule
- ___ American Coot
- ___ *Sandhill Crane

Shorebirds

- ___ Black-necked Stilt
- ___ American Avocet
- ___ Black-bellied Plover
- ___ American Golden-Plover
- ___ Semipalmated Plover
- ___ Piping Plover
- ___ *Killdeer
- ___ *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
- ___ 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

- ___ Bonaparte's Gull
- ___ Laughing Gull
- ___ Franklin's Gull
- ___ Ring-billed Gull

___ California Gull

- ___ Herring Gull
- ___ Iceland Gull
- ___ Lesser Black-backed Gull
- ___ Caspian Tern
- ___ Black Tern
- ___ Common Tern
- ___ Forster's Tern

Loons

- ___ Common Loon

Frigatebirds, Cormorants, Darters

- ___ Neotropic Cormorant
- ___ Double-crested Cormorant

Pelicans, Herons, Ibises

- ___ American White Pelican
- ___ American Bittern
- ___ *Great Blue Heron
- ___ Great Egret
- ___ Snowy Egret
- ___ Cattle Egret
- ___ *Green Heron
- ___ Black-crowned Night-Heron
- ___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

New World Vultures, Kites, Hawks, Eagles

- ___ Black Vulture
- ___ *Turkey Vulture
- ___ *Osprey
- ___ Northern Harrier
- ___ Sharp-shinned Hawk
- ___ *Cooper's Hawk
- ___ *Bald Eagle
- ___ Mississippi Kite
- ___ Red-shouldered Hawk
- ___ Broad-winged Hawk
- ___ Swainson's Hawk
- ___ *Red-tailed Hawk
- ___ Rough-legged Hawk

Owls

- ___ *Eastern Screech-Owl
- ___ *Great Horned Owl
- ___ Snowy Owl
- ___ *Barred 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

Falcons

- ___ *American Kestrel
- ___ *Merlin
- ___ Peregrine Falcon

Flycatchers

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

Vireos

- ___ *White-eyed Vireo
- ___ *Bell's Vireo
- ___ *Yellow-throated Vireo
- ___ Blue-headed Vireo
- ___ Philadelphia Vireo
- ___ *Warbling Vireo
- ___ *Red-eyed Vireo

Shrikes

- ___ Northern Shrike

Jays, Magpies, Crows

- ___ *Blue Jay
- ___ *American Crow

Chickadees, Titmice

- ___ *Black-capped Chickadee
- ___ *Tufted Titmouse

Larks

- ___ *Horned Lark

Swallows

- ___ *Purple Martin
- ___ *Tree Swallow
- ___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- ___ Bank Swallow
- ___ *Cliff Swallow
- ___ *Barn Swallow

Kinglets

- ___ Golden-crowned Kinglet
- ___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet

Waxwings

- ___ *Cedar Waxwing

Nuthatches

- ___ Red-breasted Nuthatch
- ___ *White-breasted Nuthatch

- Creepers
- ___ Brown Creeper
- Gnatcatchers
- ___ *Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
- Wrens
- ___ *House Wren
- ___ Winter Wren
- ___ *Sedge Wren
- ___ *Marsh Wren
- ___ *Carolina 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
- ___ *Eurasian Tree Sparrow
- Pipits
- ___ American Pipit
- Finches
- ___ *House Finch
- ___ Purple Finch
- ___ Common Redpoll
- ___ Red Crossbill
- ___ Pine Siskin
- ___ *American Goldfinch
- Longspurs, Snow Bunting
- ___ Lapland Longspur
- ___ Snow Bunting
- Towhees, Sparrows
- ___ Spotted Towhee
- ___ *Eastern Towhee
- ___ American Tree Sparrow
- ___ *Chipping Sparrow
- ___ Clay-colored Sparrow
- ___ *#Field Sparrow
- ___ *Vesper Sparrow
- ___ Lark Sparrow
- ___ Savannah Sparrow
- ___ Grasshopper Sparrow
- ___ *#Henslow's Sparrow
- ___ LeConte's Sparrow
- ___ Nelson's Sparrow
- ___ Fox Sparrow
- ___ *Song Sparrow
- ___ Lincoln's Sparrow
- ___ *Swamp Sparrow
- ___ White-throated Sparrow
- ___ Harris's Sparrow
- ___ White-crowned Sparrow
- ___ Dark-eyed Junco
- 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
- Wood-warblers
- ___ *Ovenbird
- ___ *Louisiana Waterthrush
- ___ Prothonotary Warbler
- ___ Northern Waterthrush
- ___ Golden-winged Warbler
- ___ Blue-winged Warbler
- ___ Black-and-white 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
- ___ Black-throated Green Warbler
- ___ Canada Warbler
- ___ Wilson's Warbler
- Tanagers, Cardinals, Grosbeaks, Buntings
- ___ Summer Tanager
- ___ *Scarlet Tanager
- ___ *Northern Cardinal
- ___ *Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- ___ *Blue Grosbeak
- ___ *Indigo Bunting
- ___ *#Dickcissel

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