

# OFFICIAL CHECKLIST OF COLORADO BIRDS

(Updated May 8, 2008)  
(486 Species plus 2 pending)

## **SWANS, GEESE, & DUCKS**

Black-bellied Whistling Duck  
Fulvous Whistling-Duck  
Greater White-fronted Goose  
Snow Goose  
Ross's Goose  
Canada Goose  
Cackling Goose  
Brant  
Trumpeter Swan  
Tundra Swan  
Wood Duck  
Gadwall  
Eurasian Wigeon  
American Wigeon  
American Black Duck  
Mallard  
Blue-winged Teal  
Cinnamon Teal  
Northern Shoveler  
Northern Pintail  
Garganey  
Green-winged Teal  
Canvasback  
Redhead  
Ring-necked Duck  
Tufted Duck  
Greater Scaup  
Lesser Scaup  
Harlequin Duck  
Surf Scoter  
White-winged Scoter  
Black Scoter  
Long-tailed Duck  
Bufflehead  
Common Goldeneye  
Barrow's Goldeneye  
Hooded Merganser  
Common Merganser  
Red-breasted Merganser  
Ruddy Duck

## **QUAIL, GROUSE, & TURKEY**

Chukar  
Ring-necked Pheasant  
Ruffed Grouse  
Greater Sage Grouse  
Gunnison Sage-Grouse

White-tailed Ptarmigan  
Dusky Grouse  
Sharp-tailed Grouse  
Greater Prairie-Chicken  
Lesser Prairie-Chicken  
Wild Turkey  
Scaled Quail  
Gambel's Quail  
Northern Bobwhite

**LOONS**

Red-throated Loon  
Arctic Loon  
Pacific Loon  
Common Loon  
Yellow-billed Loon

**GREBES**

Pied-billed Grebe  
Horned Grebe  
Red-necked Grebe  
Eared Grebe  
Western Grebe  
Clark's Grebe

**PELICANS**

American White Pelican  
Brown Pelican

**CORMORANTS**

Neotropic Cormorant  
Double-crested Cormorant

**ANHINGAS**

Anhinga

**FRIGATEBIRDS**

Magnificent Frigatebird

**BITTERNS & HERONS**

American Bittern  
Least Bittern  
Great Blue Heron  
Great Egret  
Snowy Egret  
Little Blue Heron  
Tricolored Heron  
Reddish Egret  
Cattle Egret  
Green Heron  
Black-crowned Night-Heron  
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

**IBISES & SPOONBILLS**

White Ibis  
Glossy Ibis

White-faced Ibis  
Roseate Spoonbill

### **STORKS**

Wood Stork

### **AMERICAN VULTURES**

Black Vulture  
Turkey Vulture

### **KITES, HAWKS, EAGLES, HARRIERS**

Osprey  
Swallow-tailed Kite  
Mississippi Kite  
Bald Eagle  
Northern Harrier  
Sharp-shinned Hawk  
Cooper's Hawk  
Northern Goshawk  
Common Black-Hawk  
Harris's Hawk  
Red-shouldered Hawk  
Broad-winged Hawk  
Swainson's Hawk  
Zone-tailed Hawk  
Red-tailed Hawk  
Ferruginous Hawk  
Rough-legged Hawk  
Golden Eagle

### **CARACARAS & FALCONS**

Crested Caracara  
American Kestrel  
Merlin  
Gyr Falcon  
Peregrine Falcon  
Prairie Falcon

### **RAILS, GALLINULES, & COOTS**

Yellow Rail  
Black Rail  
King Rail  
Virginia Rail  
Sora  
Purple Gallinule  
Common Moorhen  
American Coot

### **CRANES**

Sandhill Crane  
Whooping Crane

### **PLOVERS**

Black-bellied Plover  
American Golden-Plover  
Snowy Plover

Semipalmated Plover  
Piping Plover  
Killdeer  
Mountain Plover

#### **STILTS & AVOCETS**

Black-necked Stilt  
American Avocet

#### **SANDPIPERS & PHALAROPES**

Spotted Sandpiper  
Solitary Sandpiper  
Greater Yellowlegs  
Willet  
Lesser Yellowlegs  
Upland Sandpiper  
Eskimo Curlew  
Whimbrel  
Long-billed Curlew  
Hudsonian Godwit  
Marbled Godwit  
Ruddy Turnstone  
Red Knot  
Sanderling  
Semipalmated Sandpiper  
Western Sandpiper  
Least Sandpiper  
White-rumped Sandpiper  
Baird's Sandpiper  
Pectoral Sandpiper  
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper  
Dunlin  
Curlew Sandpiper  
Stilt Sandpiper  
Buff-breasted Sandpiper  
Ruff  
Short-billed Dowitcher  
Long-billed Dowitcher  
Wilson's Snipe  
American Woodcock  
Wilson's Phalarope  
Red-necked Phalarope  
Red Phalarope

#### **GULLS, TERNS, & SKIMMERS**

Laughing Gull  
Franklin's Gull  
Little Gull  
Black-headed Gull  
Bonaparte's Gull  
Mew Gull  
Ring-billed Gull  
California Gull  
Herring Gull  
Thayer's Gull  
Iceland Gull

Lesser Black-backed Gull  
Slaty-backed Gull  
Glaucous-winged Gull  
Glaucous Gull  
Great Black-backed Gull  
Kelp Gull  
Sabine's Gull  
Black-legged Kittiwake  
Ross's Gull  
Ivory Gull  
Least Tern  
Caspian Tern  
Black Tern  
Common Tern  
Arctic Tern  
Forster's Tern  
Royal Tern  
Black Skimmer  
Pomarine Jaeger  
Parasitic Jaeger  
Long-tailed Jaeger

#### **AUKS, MURRES, & PUFFINS**

Long-billed Murrelet  
Ancient Murrelet

#### **PIGEONS & DOVES**

Rock Pigeon  
Band-tailed Pigeon  
Eurasian Collared-Dove  
White-winged Dove  
Mourning Dove  
Inca Dove  
Common Ground-Dove

#### **CUCKOOS, ROADRUNNERS, & ANIS**

Yellow-billed Cuckoo  
Black-billed Cuckoo  
Greater Roadrunner  
Groove-billed Ani

#### **BARN OWLS**

Barn Owl

#### **TYPICAL OWLS**

Flammulated Owl  
Western Screech-Owl  
Eastern Screech-Owl  
Great Horned Owl  
Snowy Owl  
Northern Pygmy-Owl  
Burrowing Owl  
Spotted Owl  
Barred Owl  
Long-eared Owl

Short-eared Owl  
Boreal Owl  
Northern Saw-whet Owl

### **GOATSUCKERS**

Lesser Nighthawk  
Common Nighthawk  
Common Poorwill  
Whip-poor-will

### **SWIFTS**

Black Swift  
Chimney Swift  
White-throated Swift

### **HUMMINGBIRDS**

Green Violet-ear Hummingbird  
Broad-billed Hummingbird  
White-eared Hummingbird  
Blue-throated Hummingbird  
Magnificent Hummingbird  
Ruby-throated Hummingbird  
Black-chinned Hummingbird  
Anna's Hummingbird  
Costa's Hummingbird  
Calliope Hummingbird  
Broad-tailed Hummingbird  
Rufous Hummingbird

### **KINGFISHERS**

Belted Kingfisher

### **WOODPECKERS**

Lewis's Woodpecker  
Red-headed Woodpecker  
Acorn Woodpecker  
Red-bellied Woodpecker  
Williamson's Sapsucker  
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker  
Red-naped Sapsucker  
Ladder-backed Woodpecker  
Downy Woodpecker  
Hairy Woodpecker  
American Three-toed Woodpecker  
Northern Flicker

### **TYRANT FLYCATCHERS**

Olive-sided Flycatcher  
Western Wood-Pewee  
Eastern Wood-Pewee  
Alder Flycatcher  
Willow Flycatcher  
Least Flycatcher  
Hammond's Flycatcher  
Gray Flycatcher  
Dusky Flycatcher

Cordilleran Flycatcher  
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher  
Buff-breasted Flycatcher  
Black Phoebe  
Eastern Phoebe  
Say's Phoebe  
Vermilion Flycatcher  
Dusky-capped Flycatcher  
Ash-throated Flycatcher  
Great Crested Flycatcher  
Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher  
Brown-crested Flycatcher (pending)  
Cassin's Kingbird  
Thick-billed Kingbird  
Western Kingbird  
Eastern Kingbird  
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

### **SHRIKES**

Loggerhead Shrike  
Northern Shrike

### **VIREOS**

White-eyed Vireo  
Bell's Vireo  
Gray Vireo  
Yellow-throated Vireo  
Plumbeous Vireo  
Cassin's Vireo  
Blue-headed Vireo  
Warbling Vireo  
Philadelphia Vireo  
Red-eyed Vireo

### **JAYS, MAGPIES, & CROWS**

Gray Jay  
Steller's Jay  
Blue Jay  
Western Scrub Jay  
Pinyon Jay  
Clark's Nutcracker  
Black-billed Magpie  
American Crow  
Chihuahuan Raven  
Common Raven

### **LARKS**

Horned Lark

### **SWALLOWS**

Purple Martin  
Tree Swallow  
Violet-green Swallow  
N. Rough-winged Swallow  
Bank Swallow  
Cliff Swallow

Barn Swallow

**CHICKADEES & TITMICE**

Black-capped Chickadee  
Mountain Chickadee  
Juniper Titmouse  
Tufted Titmouse

**BUSHTITS**

Bushtit

**NUTHATCHES**

Red-breasted Nuthatch  
White-breasted Nuthatch  
Pygmy Nuthatch

**CREEPERS**

Brown Creeper

**WRENS**

Rock Wren  
Canyon Wren  
Carolina Wren  
Bewick's Wren  
House Wren  
Winter Wren  
Sedge Wren  
Marsh Wren

**DIPPERS**

American Dipper

**OLD WORLD WARBLERS, OLD WORLD FLYCATCHERS, & THRUSHES**

Golden-crowned Kinglet  
Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher  
Eastern Bluebird  
Western Bluebird  
Mountain Bluebird  
Townsend's Solitaire  
Veery  
Gray-cheeked Thrush  
Swainson's Thrush  
Hermit Thrush  
Wood Thrush  
American Robin  
Varied Thrush

**MOCKINGBIRDS & THRASHERS**

Gray Catbird  
Northern Mockingbird  
Sage Thrasher  
Brown Thrasher  
Long-billed Thrasher  
Bendire's Thrasher  
Curve-billed Thrasher

**STARLINGS & MYNAS**

European Starling

**WAGTAILS & PIPITS**

American Pipit

Sprague's Pipit

**WAXWINGS**

Bohemian Waxwing

Cedar Waxwing

**SILKY-FLYCATCHERS**

Phainopepla

**WOOD-WARBLERS, TANAGERS**

Blue-winged Warbler

Golden-winged Warbler

Tennessee Warbler

Orange-crowned Warbler

Nashville Warbler

Virginia's Warbler

Lucy's Warbler

Northern Parula

Tropical Parula

Yellow Warbler

Chestnut-sided Warbler

Magnolia Warbler

Cape May Warbler

Black-throated Blue Warbler

Yellow-rumped Warbler

Black-throated Gray Warbler

Black-throated Green Warbler

Townsend's Warbler

Hermit Warbler

Blackburnian Warbler

Yellow-throated Warbler

Grace's Warbler

Pine Warbler

Prairie Warbler

Palm Warbler

Bay-breasted Warbler

Blackpoll Warbler

Cerulean Warbler

Black-And-White Warbler

American Redstart

Prothonotary Warbler

Worm-eating Warbler

Swainson's Warbler

Ovenbird

Northern Waterthrush

Louisiana Waterthrush

Kentucky Warbler

Connecticut Warbler

Mourning Warbler

MacGillivray's Warbler

Common Yellowthroat  
Hooded Warbler  
Wilson's Warbler  
Canada Warbler  
Red-faced Warbler  
Painted Redstart  
Yellow-breasted Chat  
Hepatic Tanager  
Summer Tanager  
Scarlet Tanager  
Western Tanager

### **SPARROWS & BLACKBIRDS**

Green-tailed Towhee  
Spotted Towhee  
Eastern Towhee  
Canyon Towhee  
Cassin's Sparrow  
Rufous-crowned Sparrow  
American Tree Sparrow  
Chipping Sparrow  
Clay-colored Sparrow  
Brewer's Sparrow  
Field Sparrow  
Black-chinned Sparrow (pending)  
Vesper Sparrow  
Lark Sparrow  
Black-throated Sparrow  
Sage Sparrow  
Lark Bunting  
Savannah Sparrow  
Grasshopper Sparrow  
Baird's Sparrow  
Henslow's Sparrow  
LeConte's Sparrow  
Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow  
Fox Sparrow  
Song Sparrow  
Lincoln's Sparrow  
Swamp Sparrow  
White-throated Sparrow  
Harris's Sparrow  
White-crowned Sparrow  
Golden-crowned Sparrow  
Dark-eyed Junco  
McCown's Longspur  
Lapland Longspur  
Smith's Longspur  
Chestnut-collared Longspur  
Snow Bunting  
Northern Cardinal  
Pyrrhuloxia  
Rose-breasted Grosbeak  
Black-headed Grosbeak  
Blue Grosbeak  
Lazuli Bunting

Indigo Bunting  
Painted Bunting  
Dickcissel  
Bobolink  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Eastern Meadowlark  
Western Meadowlark  
Yellow-headed Blackbird  
Rusty Blackbird  
Brewer's Blackbird  
Common Grackle  
Great-tailed Grackle  
Bronzed Cowbird  
Brown-headed Cowbird  
Orchard Oriole  
Hooded Oriole  
Bullock's Oriole  
Baltimore Oriole  
Scott's Oriole

**NORTHERN FINCHES**

Brambling  
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch  
Black Rosy Finch  
Brown-capped Rosy Finch  
Pine Grosbeak  
Purple Finch  
Cassin's Finch  
House Finch  
Red Crossbill  
White-winged Crossbill  
Common Redpoll  
Pine Siskin  
Lesser Goldfinch  
Lawrence's Goldfinch  
American Goldfinch  
Evening Grosbeak

**OLD WORLD SPARROWS**

House Sparrow