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Tamarac

National Wildlife Refuge Bird Checklist



Birds of Tamarac

Tamarac is found in an area of transition where the tallgrass prairie meets the edges of both northern hardwood and boreal forest ecosystems. As a result, our bird species diversity is impressive.

This is a list of 258 bird species that have been observed at the refuge. The 15 additional species listed as "Casual" have been reported, but are not normally expected to occur here.

Visiting birders are encouraged to share their sightings with refuge staff. This assistance with keeping refuge records current is greatly appreciated.

Legend

Sp..... Spring, March-May

S..... Summer, June-July

F..... Fall, August-November

W..... Winter, December-February

a Abundant - Common species
..... that is very numerous

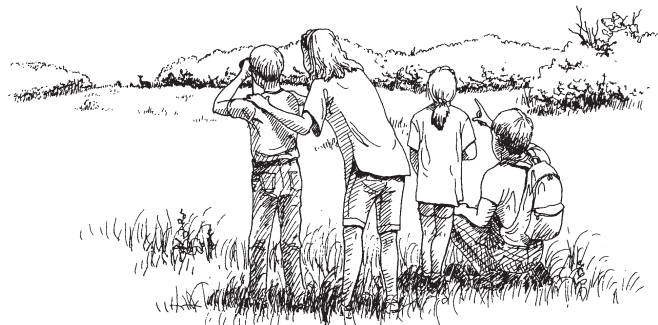
c..... Common- Certain to be seen or
..... heard in suitable habitat

u Uncommon- Present but not
..... certain to be seen

o Occasional - Seen only a few
..... times during the season

R Rare - Seen at intervals of 2-5
..... years

* Denotes species nesting on the
refuge ↵



Loons

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Common Loon*	c	c	c	

Grebes

___ Pied-billed Grebe*	c	c	a	
___ Horned Grebe	o		o	
___ Red-necked Grebe*	c	c	c	
___ Eared Grebe	r		r	
___ Western Grebe	r	r	r	

Pelicans

___ American White Pelican	u	u	u	
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Cormorants

___ Double-crested Cormorant	c	u	u	
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Hérons and Bitterns

___ American Bittern*	u	u	u	
___ Least Bittern	r	r	r	
___ Great Blue Heron*	a	a	a	
___ Great Egret	r	r	r	
___ Cattle Egret	r	r	r	
___ Green Heron*	u	u	u	
___ Black-crowned Night-Heron	r	r	r	

Vultures

___ Turkey Vulture	u	u	u	
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Swans, Geese and Ducks

___ Greater White-fronted Goose	r		r	
___ Snow Goose	o		o	
___ Canada Goose*	a	c	a	r
___ Trumpeter Swan*	u	u	u	r
___ Tundra Swan	u		u	
___ Wood Duck*	a	c	a	
___ Gadwall	u	u	u	
___ American Wigeon	u	u	u	
___ American Black Duck	u	r	u	
___ Mallard*	a	c	a	
___ Blue-winged Teal*	a	c	a	
___ Northern Shoveler	u	r	o	
___ Northern Pintail	o	r	u	
___ Green-winged Teal*	u	o	u	
___ Canvasback*	u	r	u	
___ Redhead	u	r	u	
___ Ring-necked Duck*	a	c	a	
___ Greater Scaup	r		r	
___ Lesser Scaup*	c	r	c	

	Sp	S	F	W
— Black Scoter			r	
— Oldsquaw.....			r	
— Bufflehead*.....	u	r	c	
— Common Goldeneye*.....	u	u	u	
— Hooded Merganser*.....	c	u	c	
— Common Merganser.....	u		u	
— Red-breasted Merganser	u		u	
— Ruddy Duck.....	o	r	o	

Hawks and Eagles

— Osprey*	u	u		
— Bald Eagle*	c	c	c	r
— Northern Harrier*	u	u	u	
— Sharp-shinned Hawk*	u	u	u	
— Cooper's Hawk*	u	o	o	r
— Northern Goshawk	r	r	r	o
— Red-shouldered Hawk*	u	u	o	
— Broad-winged Hawk*	c	u	c	
— Swainson's Hawk	r		r	
— Red-tailed Hawk*	c	u	c	
— Rough-legged Hawk.....	u		u	r
— Golden Eagle	r		r	r

Falcons

— American Kestrel*	c	u	c	
— Merlin	r		r	
— Peregrine Falcon	o		o	
— Prairie Falcon	r		r	

Upland Game Birds

— Gray Partridge	r	r	r	r
— Ring-necked Pheasant	r	r	o	r
— Ruffed Grouse*	c	u	c	u
— Wild Turkey*	r	r	r	r

Rails and Coots

— Yellow Rail	o	o	o	
— Virginia Rail*	u	u	u	
— Sora*	u	u	u	
— American Coot*	c	o	a	

Cranes

— Sandhill Crane.....	r		r	
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Shorebirds

	Sp	S	F	W
— Black-bellied Plover	r		r	
— American Golden Plover.....	r		r	
— Semipalmated Plover	r		r	
— Killdeer*	c	u	c	
— Greater Yellowlegs.....	r		r	
— Lesser Yellowlegs	r		r	
— Solitary Sandpiper.....	r		r	
— Spotted Sandpiper	o	o	o	
— Upland Sandpiper.....	r		r	
— Hudsonian Godwit	r		r	
— Marbled Godwit	r		r	
— Ruddy Turnstone	r		r	
— Semipalmated Sandpiper.....	r		r	
— Least Sandpiper.....	o	r	o	
— Baird's Sandpiper	r		r	
— Pectoral Sandpiper	r		r	
— Dunlin.....	r		r	
— Stilt Sandpiper	r		r	
— Short-billed Dowitcher.....	r		r	
— Long-billed Dowitcher	r		r	
— Common Snipe*	c	u	u	
— American Woodcock*	c	u	c	
— Wilson's Phalarope	r		r	
— Red-necked Phalarope.....	r		r	

Gulls and Terns

— Franklin's Gull.....	o		o	
— Bonaparte's Gull	o		o	
— Ring-billed Gull.....	c	c	c	
— Herring Gull	u	o	u	
— Caspian Tern	u	o	u	
— Common Tern.....	o	r	u	
— Forster's Tern*	u	u	u	
— Black Tern*	c	c	u	

Doves

— Mourning Dove*	c	c	c	
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Cuckoos

— Black-billed Cuckoo*.....	u	u	o	
— Yellow-billed Cuckoo.....	o	o	r	

	Sp	S	F	W
Owls				
— Eastern Screech-Owl	r	r	r	r
— Great Horned Owl*	u	u	u	u
— Snowy Owl	r		r	r
— Barred Owl*	u	u	u	u
— Great Gray Owl	r		r	r
— Long-eared Owl	r	r	r	
— Short-eared Owl	r	r	r	
— Northern Saw-whet Owl*	u	u		

Nighthawks and Nightjars

— Common Nighthawk	u	u		
— Whip-poor-will	r	r		

Swifts

— Chimney Swift*	u	u		
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Humingbirds

— Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	c	c	c	
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Kingfishers

— Belted Kingfisher*	c	u	u	
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Woodpeckers

— Red-headed Woodpecker	o	o	o	r
— Red-bellied Woodpecker	u	u	u	u
— Yellow-bellied Sapsucker*	c	u	u	
— Downy Woodpecker*	c	c	c	c
— Hairy Woodpecker*	u	u	u	u
— Three-toed Woodpecker	r			r
— Black-backed Woodpecker	r			r
— Northern Flicker*	a	c	a	r
— Pileated Woodpecker*	u	u	u	u

Flycatchers

— Olive-sided Flycatcher	o	o	o	
— Eastern Wood-Pewee*	c	c	c	
— Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	r		r	
— Alder Flycatcher*	u	u	r	
— Willow Flycatcher	r	r	r	
— Least Flycatcher*	c	c	c	
— Eastern Phoebe*	c	c	c	
— Great Crested Flycatcher*	c	c	c	
— Western Kingbird	r	r	r	
— Eastern Kingbird*	c	c	c	

Shrikes

— Loggerhead Shrike	r		r	
— Northern Shrike	u		u	u

Vireos

— Yellow-throated Vireo*	u	u	u	
— Blue-headed Vireo	u		u	
— Warbling Vireo*	c	u	c	
— Philadelphia Vireo	u		u	
— Red-eyed Vireo*	c	a	c	

Jays and Crows

— Gray Jay	r		r	r
— Blue Jay*	c	u	c	c
— Black-billed Magpie	o		o	o
— American Crow*	a	c	a	u
— Common Raven	r		r	u

Larks

— Horned Lark	u	o	u	r
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Swallows

— Purple Martin*	c	c	u	
— Tree Swallow*	c	c	c	
— Northern Rough-winged Swallow*	u	u	u	
— Bank Swallow	u	u	u	
— Cliff Swallow*	u	u	u	
— Barn Swallow*	c	c	c	

Chickadees and Titmice

— Black-capped Chickadee*	c	c	c	a
— Boreal Chickadee	r		r	r

Nuthatches

— Red-breasted Nuthatch*	u	u	u	u
— White-breasted Nuthatch*	c	c	c	a

Creepers

— Brown Creeper	u	u	u	u
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Wrens

— House Wren*	u	u	u	
— Winter Wren*	u	u	u	
— Sedge Wren*	c	c	c	
— Marsh Wren*	c	c	c	

	Sp	S	F	W
Kinglets, Bluebirds and Thrushes				
— Golden-crowned Kinglet.....c			c	r
— Ruby-crowned Kinglet.....c			c	
— Blue-gray Gnatcatcher.....u			u	
— Eastern Bluebird*.....c		c	e	
— Townsend's Solitaire.....			r	r
— Veery*.....c		c	e	
— Gray-cheeked Thrush.....u			u	
— Swainson's Thrush.....u			u	
— Hermit Thrush*.....u		u	u	
— Wood Thrush*.....u		u	u	
— American Robin*.....a		a	u	r

Catbird

— Gray Catbird*.....c	c	c		
— Brown Thrasher*.....u	u	u		

Starlings

— European Starling.....0	0	0	0	0
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Pipits

— American Pipit.....0			u	
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Waxwings

— Bohemian Waxwing.....u		o	o	
— Cedar Waxwing.....u	u	c	o	

Warblers

— Blue-winged Warbler.....0	o	o		
— Golden-winged Warbler*.....u	u	u		
— Tennessee Warbler.....c	r	e		
— Orange-crowned Warbler.....c		e		
— Nashville Warbler*.....c	u	e		
— Northern Parula*.....u	o	u		
— Yellow Warbler*.....c	c	u		
— Chestnut-sided Warbler*.....c	c	e		
— Magnolia Warbler.....u		u		
— Cape May Warbler.....u		u		
— Black-throated Blue Warbler.....r		r		
— Yellow-rumped Warbler.....a	r	a		
— Black-throated Green Warbler*.....u	u	u		
— Blackburnian Warbler*.....u	o	u		
— Pine Warbler*.....c	u	e		
— Palm Warbler.....c		e		
— Bay-breasted Warbler.....u		u		
— Blackpoll Warbler.....c		e		
— Cerulean Warbler.....0	r	o		
— Black-and-white Warbler*.....c	u	e		

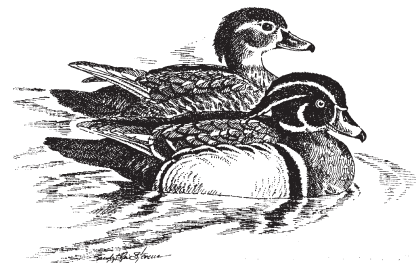
	Sp	S	F	W
— American Redstart*.....c	c	c	c	
— Ovenbird*.....c	c	c		
— Northern Waterthrush.....u			u	
— Connecticut Warbler.....0		r	o	
— Mourning Warbler*.....u	u	u	u	
— Common Yellowthroat*.....c	c	c	c	
— Wilson's Warbler.....u			u	
— Canada Warbler.....u		r	u	

Tanagers

— Scarlet Tanager*.....u	u	u		
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Grosbeaks, Buntings and Sparrows

— Spotted Towhee.....r			r	
— Eastern Towhee*.....u	u	u	u	
— American Tree Sparrow.....c			c	r
— Chipping Sparrow*.....c	c	c	c	
— Clay-colored Sparrow*.....c	c	c	c	
— Field Sparrow*.....u	u	u	u	
— Vesper Sparrow*.....u	u	u	u	
— Lark Sparrow*.....u	o	o		
— Savannah Sparrow.....u	u	u	u	
— Grasshopper Sparrow.....u	u	r	r	
— Henslow's Sparrow.....r	r	r	r	
— Le Conte's Sparrow.....u	u	u	u	
— Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow.....r			r	
— Fox Sparrow.....c			c	
— Song Sparrow*.....a	a	a	c	
— Lincoln's Sparrow.....u			u	
— Swamp Sparrow*.....c	c	u	u	
— White-throated Sparrow*.....c	u	c		
— Harris's Sparrow.....u			u	
— White-crowned Sparrow.....u			u	
— Dark-eyed Junco.....c		c	u	
— Lapland Longspur.....0		o	r	
— Snow Bunting.....0		o	u	
— Northern Cardinal.....r	r	r	r	
— Rose-breasted Grosbeak*.....u	u	u	u	
— Indigo Bunting*.....c	c	c	u	





Blackbirds and Orioles

	Sp	S	F	W
___ Bobolink*	u	u		
___ Red-winged Blackbird*	a	a	a	
___ Eastern Meadowlark	r	r	r	
___ Western Meadowlark	u	o	u	
___ Yellow-headed Blackbird*	u	u	u	
___ Rusty Blackbird	u		u	
___ Brewer's Blackbird*	u	o	u	
___ Common Grackle*	c	c	c	
___ Brown-headed Cowbird*	c	c	c	
___ Orchard Oriole	r	r		
___ Baltimore Oriole*	c	u	u	

Finches

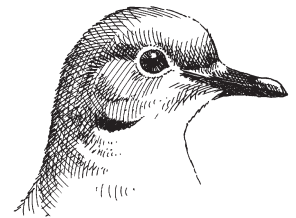
___ Pine Grosbeak	r		r	u
___ Purple Finch*	c	u	c	u
___ House Finch*	c	u	c	u
___ Red Crossbill	o		r	u
___ White-winged Crossbill	o		r	u
___ Common Redpoll	o		o	o
___ Hoary Redpoll	r			r
___ Pine Siskin	u	u	c	u
___ American Goldfinch	c	c	c	u
___ Evening Grosbeak	u	o	u	u

Old World Sparrows

___ House Sparrow	u	o	o	o
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Casual Species

Yellow-crowned Night Heron
 Mute Swan
 Gyrfalcon
 Greater Prairie Chicken
 Sharp-tailed Grouse
 American Avocet
 Rock Dove
 Boreal Owl
 Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
 Tufted Titmouse
 Mountain Bluebird
 Varied Thrush
 Northern Mockingbird
 Prothonotary Warbler
 Dickcissel



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