

Katy-Area Bird Checklist

Order Anseriformes (Waterfowl)

- Black-bellied Whistling-duck (*Dendrocygna autumnalis*)
- Fulvous Whistling-duck (*Dendrocygna bicolor*)
- Snow Goose (*Anser caerulescens*)
- Ross's Goose (*Anser rossii*)
- Greater White-fronted Goose (*Anser albifrons*)
- Canada Goose (*Branta canadensis*)
- Egyptian Goose (*Alopochen aegyptiaca*)
- Mute Swan (*Cygnus olor*)
- Muscovy Duck (*Cairina moschata*)
- Wood Duck (*Aix sponsa*)
- Blue-winged Teal (*Spatula discors*)
- Cinnamon Teal (*Spatula cyanoptera*)
- Northern Shoveler (*Spatula clypeata*)
- Gadwall (*Mareca strepera*)
- American Wigeon (*Mareca americana*)
- Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*)
- Mottled Duck (*Anas fulvigula*)
- Northern Pintail (*Anas acuta*)
- Green-winged Teal (*Anas carolinensis*)
- Canvasback (*Aythya valisineria*)
- Red Head (*Aythya americana*)
- Ring-necked Duck (*Aythya collaris*)
- Greater Scaup (*Aythya marila*)
- Lesser Scaup (*Aythya affinis*)
- Bufflehead (*Bucephala albeola*)
- Common Goldeneye (*Bucephala clangula*)

Order Anseriformes (Waterfowl) cont.

- Hooded Merganser (*Lophodytes cucullatus*)
- Ruddy Duck (*Oxyura jamaicensis*)

Order Galliformes (Landfowl)

- Northern Bobwhite (*Colinus virginianus*)

Order Podicipediformes (Grebes)

- Least Grebe (*Tachybaptus dominicus*)
- Pied-billed Grebe (*Podilymbus podiceps*)
- Eared Grebe (*Podiceps nigricollis*)

Order Columbiformes (Pigeons, Doves, etc)

- Rock Pigeon (*Columba livia*)
- Eurasian Collared Dove (*Streptopelia decaocto*)
- Inca Dove (*Columbina inca*)
- Common Ground Dove (*Columbina passerina*)
- White Winged Dove (*Zenaida asiatica*)
- Mourning Dove (*Zenaida macroura*)

Order Cuculiformes (Cuckoos)

- Yellow Billed Cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus*)

Order Caprimulgiformes (Nightjars)

- Common Nighthawk (*Chordeiles minor*)
- Chuck-will's-widow (*Antrostomus carolinensis*)

Order Apodiformes (Swifts and Hummingbirds)

- Chimney Swift (*Chaetura pelagica*)
- Ruby-throated Hummingbird (*Archilochus colubris*)
- Rufous Hummingbird (*Selasphorus rufus*)
- Calliope Hummingbird (*Selasphorus calliope*)
- Black-chinned Hummingbird (*Archilochus alexandri*)

Order Gruiformes (Cranes, Rails, and Allies)

- King Rail (*Rallus elegans*)
- Virginia Rail (*Rallus limicola*)
- Sora (*Porzana carolina*)
- Purple Gallinule (*Porphyrio martinicus*)
- Common Gallinule (*Gallinula galeata*)
- American Coot (*Fulica americana*)
- Sandhill Crane (*Antigone canadensis*)

Order Charadriiformes (Shorebirds)

- Black-necked Stilt (*Himantopus mexicanus*)
- American Avocet (*Recurvirostra americana*)
- Killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*)
- Upland Sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*)
- Long-billed Curlew (*Numenius americanus*)
- Stilt Sandpiper (*Calidris himantopus*)
- Dunlin (*Calidris alpina*)
- Least Sandpiper (*Calidris minutilla*)
- White-rumped Sandpiper (*Calidris fuscicollis*)
- Pectoral Sandpiper (*Calidris melanotos*)
- Semi-palmated Sandpiper (*Calidris pusilla*)
- Western Sandpiper (*Calidris mauri*)
- Long-billed Dowitcher (*Limnodromus scolopaceus*)

Order Charadriiformes (Shorebirds) cont.

- American Woodcock (*Scolopax minor*)
- Wilson's Snipe (*Gallinago delicata*)
- Spotted Sandpiper (*Actitis macularia*)
- Solitary Sandpiper (*Tringa solitaria*)
- Lesser Yellowlegs (*Tringa flavipes*)
- Greater Yellowlegs (*Tringa melanoleuca*)
- Bonaparte's Gull (*Chroicocephalus Philadelphia*)
- Laughing Gull (*Leucophaeus atricilla*)
- Franklin's Gull (*Leucophaeus pipixcan*)
- Ring-billed Gull (*Larus delawarensis*)
- Herring Gull (*Larus argentatus*)
- Caspian Tern (*Hydroprogne caspia*)
- Black Tern (*Chlidonias niger*)
- Forster's Tern (*Sterna forsteri*)

Order Ciconiiformes (Storks)

- Wood Stork (*Mycteria americana*)

Order Suliformes (Frigatebirds, Cormorants, Darters)

- Neotropic Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*)
- Double-crested Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax auritus*)
- Anhinga (*Anhinga anhinga*)

Order Pelecaniformes (Pelicans, Herons, Ibises, etc)

- American White Pelican (*Pelecanus erythrorhynchos*)
- American Bittern (*Botaurus lentiginosus*)
- Least Bittern (*Ixobrychus exilis*)

Order Pelecaniformes (Pelicans, Herons, Ibises) cont.

- Great Blue Heron (*Ardea herodias*)
- Great Egret (*Ardea alba*)
- Snowy Egret (*Egretta thula*)
- Little Blue Heron (*Egretta caerulea*)
- Tricolored Heron (*Egretta tricolor*)
- Reddish Egret (*Egretta rufescens*)
- Cattle Egret (*Bubulcus ibis*)
- Green Heron (*Butorides virescens*)
- Black-crowned Night-heron (*Nycticorax nycticorax*)
- Yellow-crowned Night-heron (*Nyctanassa violacea*)
- White Ibis (*Eudocimus albus*)
- White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*)
- Roseate Spoonbill (*Platalea ajaja*)

Order Cathartiformes (New World Vultures)

- Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*)
- Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura*)

Order Accipitriformes (Ospreys, Hawks, Eagles, Kites)

- Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*)
- White-tailed Kite (*Elanus leucurus*)
- Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*)
- Northern Harrier (*Circus hudsonius*)
- Sharp-shinned Hawk (*Accipiter striatus*)
- Cooper's Hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*)

Order Accipitriformes cont.

- Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*)
- Mississippi Kite (*Ictinia mississippiensis*)
- White-tailed Hawk (*Geranoaetus albicaudatus*)
- Red-shouldered Hawk (*Buteo lineatus*)
- Broad-winged Hawk (*Buteo platypterus*)
- Swainson's Hawk (*Buteo swainsoni*)
- Red-tailed Hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*)

Order Falconiformes (Falcons)

- Crested Caracara (*Caracara cheriway*)
- American Kestrel (*Falco sparverius*)
- Merlin (*Falco columbarius*)
- Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*)

Order Strigiformes (Owls)

- Barn Owl (*Tyto alba*)
- Eastern Screech Owl (*Megascops asio*)
- Great-horned Owl (*Bubo virginianus*)
- Barred Owl (*Strix varia*)

Order Coraciiformes (Kingfishers and Relatives)

- Belted Kingfisher (*Megaceryle alcyon*)

Order Piciformes (Woodpeckers)

- Red-headed Woodpecker (*Melanerpes erythrocephalus*)
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (*Sphyrapicus varius*)
- Downy Woodpecker (*Picoides pubescens*)
- Ladder-backed Woodpecker (*Dryobates scalaris*)
- Northern Flicker (*Colaptes auratus*)
- Pileated Woodpecker (*Dryocopus pileatus*)

Order Psittaciformes (Parrots)

- Monk Parakeet (*Myiopsitta monachus*)

Order Passeriformes (Perching Birds/Passerines)

Family Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers)

- Olive-sided Flycatcher (*Contopus cooperi*)
- Great-crested Flycatcher (*Myiarchus crinitus*)
- Ash-throated Flycatcher (*Myiarchus cinerascens*)
- Great Kiskadee (*Pitangus sulphuratus*)
- Couch's Kingbird (*Tyrannus couchii*)
- Western Kingbird (*Tyrannus verticalis*)
- Eastern Kingbird (*Tyrannus tyrannus*)
- Scissor-tailed Flycatcher (*Tyrannus forficatus*)
- Eastern Wood-pewee (*Contopus virens*)
- Yellow-bellied Flycatcher (*Empidonax flaviventris*)
- Acadian Flycatcher (*Empidonax virescens*)
- Alder Flycatcher (*Empidonax alnorum*)
- Least Flycatcher (*Empidonax minimus*)

Family Tyrannidae (Tyrant Flycatchers) cont.

- Eastern Phoebe (*Sayornis phoebe*)
- Vermilion Flycatcher (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*)

Family Laniidae (Shrikes)

- Loggerhead Shrike (*Lanius ludovicianus*)

Family Vireonidae (Vireos)

- White-eyed Vireo (*Vireo griseus*)
- Blue-headed Vireo (*Vireo solitarius*)
- Red-eyed Vireo (*Vireo olivaceus*)

Family Corvidae (Corvids)

- Blue Jay (*Cyanocitta cristata*)
- American Crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos*)

Family Hirundinidae (Swallows)

- Bank Swallow (*Riparia riparia*)
- Tree Swallow (*Tachycineta bicolor*)
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow (*Stelgidopteryx serripennis*)
- Purple Martin (*Progne subis*)
- Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*)
- Cliff Swallow (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*)
- Cave Swallow (*Petrochelidon fulva*)

Family Paridae (Chickadees, Tits, Titmice)

- Carolina Chickadee (*Poecile carolinensis*)
- Tufted Titmouse (*Baeolophus bicolor*)

Family Sittidae (Nuthatches)

- Red-breasted Nuthatch (*Sitta canadensis*)

Family Certhiidae (Treecreepers)

- Brown Creeper (*Certhia americana*)

Family Troglodytidae (Wrens)

- House Wren (*Troglodytes aedon*)
- Winter Wren (*Troglodytes hiemalis*)
- Sedge Wren (*Cistothorus platensis*)
- Marsh Wren (*Cistothorus palustris*)
- Carolina Wren (*Thryothorus ludovicianus*)

Family Polioptilidae (Gnatcatchers)

- Blue-gray Gnatcatchers (*Polioptila caerulea*)

Family Regulidae (Kinglets)

- Ruby-crowned Kinglet (*Regulus calendula*)
- Golden-crowned Kinglet (*Regulus satrapa*)

Family Turdidae (Thrushes)

- Eastern Bluebird (*Sialia sialis*)
- Swainson's Thrush (*Catharus ustulatus*)
- Hermit Thrush (*Catharus guttatus*)
- American Robin (*Turdus migratorius*)

Family Mimidae (Mockingbirds, Thrashers, Catbirds)

- Gray Catbird (*Dumetella carolinensis*)
- Brown Thrasher (*Toxostoma rufum*)
- Northern Mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos*)

Family Sturnidae (Starlings)

- European Starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*)

Family Bombycillidae (Waxwings)

- Cedar Waxwing (*Bombycilla cedrorum*)

Family Pycnonotidae (Bulbuls)

- Red-vented Bulbul (*Pycnonotus cafer*)

Family Passeridae (Old World Sparrows)

- House Sparrows (*Passer domesticus*)

Family Estrildidae (Edtrildid Finches)

- Scaly-breasted Munia (*Lonchura punctulate*)

Family Motacillidae (Wagtails, Longclaws, Pipits)

- American Pipit (*Anthus rubescens*)
- Sprague's Pipit (*Anthus spragueii*)

Family Fringillidae (Finches)

- House Finch (*Haemorhous mexicanus*)
- Purple Finch (*Haemorhous purpureus*)
- Pine Siskin (*Spinus pinus*)
- American Goldfinch (*Spinus tristis*)

Family Passerellidae (New World Sparrows)

- Grasshopper Sparrow (*Ammodramus savannarum*)
- Lark Sparrow (*Chondestes grammacus*)
- Chipping Sparrow (*Spizella passerina*)
- Field Sparrow (*Spizella pusilla*)
- Dark-eyed Junco (*Junco hyemalis*)
- White-crowned Sparrow (*Zonotrichia leucophrys*)
- Vesper Sparrow (*Pooecetes gramineus*)
- Savannah Sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis*)
- Song Sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*)
- Lincoln's Sparrow (*Melospiza lincolnii*)
- Swamp Sparrow (*Melospiza georgiana*)
- Eastern Towhee (*Pipilo erythrophthalmus*)

Family Icteridae (New World Blackbirds)

- Yellow-breasted Chat (*Icteria virens*)
- Yellow-headed Blackbird (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*)
- Eastern Meadowlark (*Sturnella magna*)
- Orchard Oriole (*Icterus spurius*)
- Baltimore Oriole (*Icterus galbula*)
- Red-winged Blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*)
- Bronzed Cowbird (*Molothrus aeneus*)
- Brown-headed Cowbird (*Molothrus ater*)
- Rusty Blackbird (*Euphagus carolinus*)
- Brewer's Blackbird (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*)
- Common Grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula*)
- Great-tailed Grackle (*Quiscalus mexicanus*)

Family Parulidae (New World Warblers)

- Worm-eating Warbler (*Helmitheros vermivorum*)
- Louisiana Waterthrush (*Parkesia motacilla*)
- Northern Waterthrush (*Parkesia noveboracensis*)
- Golden-winged Warbler (*Vermivora chrysoptera*)
- Blue-winged Warbler (*Vermivora cyanoptera*)
- Black-and-white Warbler (*Mniotilta varia*)
- Prothonotary Warbler (*Protonotaria citrea*)
- Tennessee Warbler (*Leiothlypis peregrina*)
- Orange-crowned Warbler (*Leiothlypis celata*)
- Nashville Warbler (*Leiothlypis ruficapilla*)
- Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*)
- Hooded Warbler (*Setophaga citrina*)
- American Redstart (*Setophaga ruticilla*)
- Northern Parula (*Setophaga americana*)
- Magnolia Warbler (*Setophaga magnolia*)
- Bay-breasted Warbler (*Setophaga castanea*)
- American Yellow Warbler (*Setophaga petechia*)
- Chestnut-sided Warbler (*Setophaga pensylvanica*)
- Palm Warbler (*Setophaga palmarum*)
- Pine Warbler (*Setophaga pinus*)
- Yellow-rumped Warbler (*Setophaga coronata*)
- Yellow-throated Warbler (*Setophaga dominica*)
- Black-throated Green Warbler (*Setophaga virens*)
- Canada Warbler (*Cardellina canadensis*)
- Wilson's Warbler (*Cardellina pusilla*)

Family Cardinalidae (Cardinals, Grosbeaks)

- Summer Tanager (*Piranga rubra*)
- Scarlet Tanager (*Piranga olivacea*)
- Western Tanager (*Piranga ludoviciana*)
- Northern Cardinal (*Cardinalis cardinalis*)
- Rose-breasted Grosbeak (*Pheucticus ludovicianus*)
- Black-headed Grosbeak (*Pheucticus melanocephalus*)
- Lazuli Bunting (*Passerina amoena*)
- Blue Grosbeak (*Passerina caerulea*)
- Indigo Bunting (*Passerina cyanea*)
- Painted Bunting (*Passerina ciris*)
- Dickcissel (*Spiza americana*)