

Field Checklist of Birds of Michigan's Upper Peninsula

This checklist is composed of all 399 species acceptable as having been observed within Michigan's Upper Peninsula as of 8 January 2014 by Michigan Bird Records Committee standards. The sequence of birds in this list follows the 54th Supplement to the American Ornithologists' Union's 7th Edition Checklist. Species that have nested in the U.P. are italicized. Uncommon species are indicated by U. Species rarely seen in the U.P. are designated with an R. Accidental species have been documented just once or only a few times in the U.P. and are indicated by an A. An E designates extirpated species, while extinct species are indicated by †.

Observer _____
Date _____
Location _____

Waterfowl Geese, Swans, Ducks, & Relatives

- _____ **Whistling-Ducks**
- _____ Fulvous Whistling-Duck (A)
- _____ **Geese and Swans**
- _____ Greater White-fronted Goose (R)
- _____ Snow Goose
- _____ Ross's Goose (R)
- _____ Brant (R)
- _____ Cackling Goose
- _____ *Canada Goose*
- _____ *Mute Swan*
- _____ *Trumpeter Swan*
- _____ Tundra Swan

Ducks and Mergansers

- _____ *Wood Duck*
- _____ *Gadwall*
- _____ Eurasian Wigeon (A)
- _____ *American Wigeon*
- _____ *American Black Duck*
- _____ *Mallard*
- _____ *Blue-winged Teal*
- _____ Cinnamon Teal (A)
- _____ *Northern Shoveler*
- _____ *Northern Pintail*
- _____ *Green-winged Teal*
- _____ *Canvasback*
- _____ *Redhead*
- _____ *Ring-necked Duck*
- _____ Greater Scaup
- _____ *Lesser Scaup*
- _____ King Eider (R)
- _____ Common Eider (A)
- _____ Harlequin Duck (U)
- _____ Surf Scoter
- _____ White-winged Scoter
- _____ Black Scoter
- _____ Long-tailed Duck

- _____ Bufflehead
- _____ *Common Goldeneye*
- _____ Barrow's Goldeneye (A)
- _____ *Hooded Merganser*
- _____ *Common Merganser*
- _____ *Red-breasted Merganser*
- _____ *Ruddy Duck* (U)

Fowl

- _____ **Quail**
- _____ *Northern Bobwhite* (A)
- _____ **Pheasant, Grouse, and Turkey**
- _____ *Ring-necked Pheasant* (U)
- _____ *Ruffed Grouse*
- _____ *Spruce Grouse*
- _____ *Sharp-tailed Grouse*
- _____ *Greater Prairie-Chicken* (E)
- _____ *Wild Turkey*

Loons

- _____ Red-throated Loon
- _____ Pacific Loon (R)
- _____ *Common Loon*
- _____ Yellow-billed Loon (A)

Grebes

- _____ *Pied-billed Grebe*
- _____ Horned Grebe
- _____ *Red-necked Grebe*
- _____ Eared Grebe (R)
- _____ Western Grebe (R)

Frigates, Gannet, Cormorants, & Anhinga

- _____ Frigate sp. (A)
- _____ Northern Gannet
- _____ *Double-crested Cormorant*
- _____ Anhinga (A)

Pelicans, Herons, and Ibises

- _____ **Pelicans**
- _____ *American White Pelican*
- _____ Brown Pelican (A)
- _____ **Bitterns, Herons, and Egrets**
- _____ *American Bittern*
- _____ *Least Bittern* (R)
- _____ *Great Blue Heron*
- _____ Great Egret (U)
- _____ Snowy Egret (R)
- _____ Little Blue Heron (A)
- _____ Tricolored Heron (A)
- _____ Cattle Egret (R)
- _____ *Green Heron*
- _____ *Black-crowned Night-Heron* (R)
- _____ *Yellow-crowned Night-Heron* (A)

Ibises

- _____ White Ibis (A)
- _____ Glossy Ibis (A)
- _____ White-faced Ibis (A)

Vultures, Osprey, Hawks, and Allies

- _____ **Vultures**
- _____ Black Vulture (A)
- _____ *Turkey Vulture*
- _____ **Ospreys**
- _____ *Osprey*
- _____ **Kites, Eagles, & Hawks**
- _____ Swallow-tailed Kite (A)
- _____ Mississippi Kite (A)

- _____ *Bald Eagle*
- _____ *Northern Harrier*
- _____ *Sharp-shinned Hawk*
- _____ *Cooper's Hawk*
- _____ *Northern Goshawk*
- _____ *Red-shouldered Hawk*
- _____ *Broad-winged Hawk*
- _____ Short-tailed Hawk (A)
- _____ Swainson's Hawk (R)
- _____ *Red-tailed Hawk*
- _____ Ferruginous Hawk (A)
- _____ Rough-legged Hawk
- _____ Golden Eagle (U)

Rails, Cranes, and Relatives

- _____ **Rails, Gallinules, & Coots**
- _____ *Yellow Rail* (R)
- _____ Black Rail (A)
- _____ King Rail (A)
- _____ *Virginia Rail*
- _____ *Sora*
- _____ Purple Gallinule (A)
- _____ Common Gallinule (R)
- _____ *American Coot*
- _____ **Cranes**
- _____ *Sandhill Crane*

Shorebirds and Relatives

- _____ **Stilts and Avocets**
- _____ American Avocet (R)
- _____ **Plovers**
- _____ Black-bellied Plover
- _____ American Golden-Plover
- _____ Wilson's Plover (A)
- _____ Semipalmated Plover
- _____ *Piping Plover* (U)
- _____ *Killdeer*

Sandpipers and Phalaropes

- _____ *Spotted Sandpiper*
- _____ Solitary Sandpiper
- _____ Greater Yellowlegs
- _____ Willet (U)
- _____ Lesser Yellowlegs
- _____ *Upland Sandpiper*
- _____ Whimbrel (U)
- _____ Hudsonian Godwit (U)
- _____ Marbled Godwit (U)
- _____ Ruddy Turnstone
- _____ Red Knot (U)
- _____ Ruff (A)
- _____ Stilt Sandpiper (U)
- _____ Sanderling
- _____ Dunlin
- _____ Purple Sandpiper (R)
- _____ Baird's Sandpiper
- _____ Least Sandpiper
- _____ White-rumped Sandpiper (U)
- _____ Buff-breasted Sandpiper (U)
- _____ Pectoral Sandpiper
- _____ Semipalmated Sandpiper
- _____ Western Sandpiper (R)
- _____ Short-billed Dowitcher
- _____ Long-billed Dowitcher (R)

- _____ *Wilson's Snipe*
- _____ *American Woodcock*
- _____ *Wilson's Phalarope* (U)
- _____ Red-necked Phalarope (R)
- _____ Red Phalarope (R)

Jaegers

- _____ Pomarine Jaeger (R)
- _____ Parasitic Jaeger (U)
- _____ Long-tailed Jaeger (R)

Murres & Relatives

- _____ Ancient Murrelet (A)
- _____ **Gulls & Terns**
- _____ Black-legged Kittiwake (R)
- _____ Ross's Gull (A)
- _____ Ivory Gull (A)
- _____ Sabine's Gull (R)
- _____ Bonaparte's Gull
- _____ *Little Gull* (R)
- _____ Laughing Gull (R)
- _____ Franklin's Gull (U)
- _____ Heermann's Gull (A)
- _____ *Ring-billed Gull*
- _____ California Gull (A)
- _____ *Herring Gull*
- _____ Thayer's Gull (U)
- _____ Iceland Gull (U)
- _____ Lesser Black-backed Gull (R)
- _____ Slaty-backed Gull (A)
- _____ Glaucous Gull
- _____ Great Black-backed Gull (U)
- _____ Least Tern (A)
- _____ *Caspian Tern*
- _____ *Black Tern*
- _____ *Common Tern*
- _____ Arctic Tern (A)
- _____ *Forster's Tern* (U)

Pigeons and Doves

- _____ *Rock Pigeon*
- _____ Eurasian Collared-Dove (A)
- _____ White-winged Dove (A)
- _____ *Mourning Dove*
- _____ *Passenger Pigeon* (†)
- _____ Inca Dove (A)
- _____ Common Ground-Dove (A)

Cuckoos

- _____ *Yellow-billed Cuckoo*
- _____ *Black-billed Cuckoo*

Owls

- _____ Barn Owl (A)
- _____ Eastern Screech-Owl (A)
- _____ *Great Horned Owl*
- _____ Snowy Owl
- _____ *Northern Hawk Owl* (R)
- _____ Burrowing Owl (A)
- _____ *Barred Owl*
- _____ *Great Gray Owl* (U)
- _____ *Long-eared Owl*
- _____ *Short-eared Owl*
- _____ Boreal Owl (R)
- _____ *Northern Saw-whet Owl*

Nighthawks and Nightjars

- ___ *Common Nighthawk*
- ___ Chuck-will’s Widow (A)
- ___ *Eastern Whip-poor-will*

Swifts and Hummingbirds

- ___ *Chimney Swift*
- ___ Green Violetear (A)
- ___ *Ruby-throated Hummingbird*
- ___ Anna’s Hummingbird (A)
- ___ Rufous Hummingbird (A)
- ___ Broad-billed Hummingbird (A)

Kingfishers

- ___ *Belted Kingfisher*

Woodpeckers

- ___ Lewis’s Woodpecker (A)
- ___ *Red-headed Woodpecker* (U)
- ___ *Red-bellied Woodpecker*
- ___ *Yellow-bellied Sapsucker*
- ___ *Downy Woodpecker*
- ___ *Hairy Woodpecker*
- ___ *American Three-toed Woodpecker* (R)
- ___ *Black-backed Woodpecker*
- ___ *Northern Flicker*
- ___ *Pileated Woodpecker*

Falcons

- ___ *American Kestrel*
- ___ *Merlin*
- ___ Gyrfalcon (R)
- ___ *Peregrine Falcon*
- ___ Prairie Falcon (A)

Songbirds

Flycatchers

- ___ *Olive-sided Flycatcher*
- ___ *Eastern Wood-Pewee*
- ___ *Yellow-bellied Flycatcher*
- ___ Acadian Flycatcher (A)
- ___ *Alder Flycatcher*
- ___ *Willow Flycatcher* (U)
- ___ *Least Flycatcher*
- ___ *Eastern Phoebe*
- ___ Say’s Phoebe (A)
- ___ Vermilion Flycatcher (A)
- ___ Ash-throated Flycatcher (A)
- ___ *Great Crested Flycatcher*
- ___ Tropical Kingbird (A)
- ___ Western Kingbird (R)
- ___ *Eastern Kingbird*
- ___ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher (R)
- ___ Fork-tailed Flycatcher (A)

Shrikes

- ___ *Loggerhead Shrike* (A)
- ___ Northern Shrike

Vireos

- ___ White-eyed Vireo (A)
- ___ Bell’s Vireo (A)
- ___ *Yellow-throated Vireo*
- ___ *Blue-headed Vireo*
- ___ *Warbling Vireo*
- ___ *Philadelphia Vireo*
- ___ *Red-eyed Vireo*

Javs, Magpies, & Crows

- ___ *Gray Jay*

___ *Blue Jay*

- ___ Clark’s Nutcracker (A)
- ___ Black-billed Magpie (A)
- ___ *American Crow*
- ___ *Common Raven*

Larks

- ___ *Horned Lark*

Swallows

- ___ *Purple Martin*
- ___ *Tree Swallow*
- ___ Violet-green Swallow (A)
- ___ *Northern Rough-winged Swallow*
- ___ *Bank Swallow*
- ___ Cave Swallow (A)
- ___ *Cliff Swallow*
- ___ *Barn Swallow*

Chickadees and Titmice

- ___ *Black-capped Chickadee*
- ___ *Boreal Chickadee*
- ___ Tufted Titmouse (R)

Nuthatches

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

Creepers

- ___ *Brown Creeper*

Wrens

- ___ Rock Wren (A)
- ___ *House Wren*
- ___ *Winter Wren*
- ___ *Sedge Wren*
- ___ *Marsh Wren*
- ___ *Carolina Wren* (U)

Gnatcatchers

- ___ *Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*

Kinglets

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

Old World Flycatchers

- ___ Northern Wheatear (A)

Thrushes

- ___ *Eastern Bluebird*
- ___ Mountain Bluebird (A)
- ___ Townsend’s Solitaire (U)
- ___ *Veery*
- ___ Gray-cheeked Thrush
- ___ *Swainson’s Thrush*
- ___ *Hermit Thrush*
- ___ *Wood Thrush*
- ___ *American Robin*
- ___ Varied Thrush (U)

Mimics

- ___ *Gray Catbird*
- ___ *Brown Thrasher*
- ___ Sage Thrasher (A)
- ___ *Northern Mockingbird* (U)

Starlings

- ___ *European Starling*

Wagtails and Pipits

- ___ White Wagtail (A)
- ___ American Pipit
- ___ Sprague’s Pipit (A)

Waxwings

- ___ Bohemian Waxwing
- ___ *Cedar Waxwing*

Longspurs and Snow Bunting

- ___ Lapland Longspur
- ___ Chestnut-collared Longspur (A)
- ___ Smith’s Longspur (R)
- ___ McCown’s Longspur (A)
- ___ Snow Bunting

Warblers

- ___ *Ovenbird*
- ___ Worm-eating Warbler (A)
- ___ Louisiana Waterthrush (A)
- ___ *Northern Waterthrush*
- ___ *Golden-winged Warbler*
- ___ *Blue-winged Warbler* (R)
- ___ *Black-and-white Warbler*
- ___ Prothonotary Warbler (A)
- ___ *Tennessee Warbler*
- ___ Orange-crowned Warbler
- ___ Lucy’s Warbler (A)
- ___ *Nashville Warbler*
- ___ Virginia’s Warbler (A)
- ___ *Connecticut Warbler* (U)
- ___ *Mourning Warbler*
- ___ Kentucky Warbler (A)
- ___ *Common Yellowthroat*

___ Hooded Warbler (A)

___ *American Redstart*

___ *Kirtland’s Warbler* (R)

___ *Cape May Warbler*

___ *Cerulean Warbler* (R)

___ *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 (A)

___ Prairie Warbler (R)

___ Black-throated Gray Warbler (A)

___ *Black-throated Green Warbler*

___ *Canada Warbler*

___ *Wilson’s Warbler*

___ Painted Redstart (A)

___ Yellow-breasted Chat (R)

Towhees, Sparrows, & Relatives

___ *Green-tailed Towhee* (A)

___ Spotted Towhee (A)

___ *Eastern Towhee*

___ Cassin’s Sparrow (A)

___ American Tree Sparrow

___ *Chipping Sparrow*

___ *Clay-colored Sparrow*

___ Brewer’s Sparrow (A)

___ *Field Sparrow*

___ *Vesper Sparrow*

- ___ Lark Sparrow (U)
- ___ Black-throated Sparrow (A)
- ___ Lark Bunting (R)
- ___ *Savannah Sparrow*
- ___ *Grasshopper Sparrow* (U)
- ___ *Henslow’s Sparrow* (R)
- ___ *Le Conte’s Sparrow* (U)
- ___ Nelson’s Sparrow (A)
- ___ Fox Sparrow
- ___ *Song Sparrow*
- ___ *Lincoln’s Sparrow*
- ___ *Swamp Sparrow*
- ___ *White-throated Sparrow*
- ___ Harris’s Sparrow (U)
- ___ White-crowned Sparrow
- ___ Golden-crowned Sparrow (A)
- ___ *Dark-eyed Junco*

Cardinals, Tanagers, Grosbeaks, & Relatives

- ___ Summer Tanager (R)
- ___ *Scarlet Tanager*
- ___ Western Tanager (A)
- ___ *Northern Cardinal*
- ___ *Rose-breasted Grosbeak*
- ___ Blue Grosbeak (A)
- ___ Painted Bunting (R)
- ___ *Indigo Bunting*
- ___ *Dickcissel* (R)

Blackbirds & Relatives

- ___ *Bobolink*
- ___ *Red-winged Blackbird*
- ___ *Eastern Meadowlark*
- ___ *Western Meadowlark* (U)
- ___ *Yellow-headed Blackbird* (U)
- ___ *Rusty Blackbird*
- ___ *Brewer’s Blackbird*
- ___ *Common Grackle*
- ___ Boat-tailed/Great-tailed Grackle (A)
- ___ *Brown-headed Cowbird*
- ___ *Orchard Oriole* (R)
- ___ *Baltimore Oriole*
- ___ Bullock’s Oriole (A)

Finches

- ___ Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch (A)
- ___ Pine Grosbeak
- ___ *House Finch*
- ___ *Purple Finch*
- ___ *Red Crossbill*
- ___ *White-winged Crossbill*
- ___ Common Redpoll
- ___ Hoary Redpoll (U)
- ___ *Pine Siskin*
- ___ *American Goldfinch*
- ___ *Evening Grosbeak*

Old World Sparrows

- ___ *House Sparrow*
- ___ Eurasian Tree Sparrow (A)

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