



List of Birds Observed at the Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie

Group/Family	Scientific Name		Common Name	Status At Midewin
Gaviiformes				
Gaviidae	<i>Gavia immer</i>		Common Loon	SM, FM
Podicipediformes				
Podicipedidae	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i> ^(T)		Pied-billed Grebe	CB
Podicipediformes				
Phalacrocoracidae	<i>Phalacrocorax auritus</i>		Doublecrested Cormorant	NB
Ciconiiformes				
Ardeidae	<i>Ardea herodias</i>		Great Blue Heron	CB
	<i>Botaurus lentiginosus</i> ^(E)		American Bittern	NB
	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>		Cattle Egret	NB
	<i>Butorides virescens</i>		Green Heron	CB
	<i>Ixobrychus exilis</i>		Least Bittern	CB
	<i>Ardea alba</i>		Great Egret	NB
	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i> ^(E)		Black-crowned Night-Heron	NB
Ciconiiformes				
Cathartidae	<i>Cathartes aura</i>		Turkey Vulture	SB
Anseriformes				
Anatidae	<i>Aix sponsa</i>		Wood Duck	CB
	<i>Anas americana</i>		American Wigeon	SM, FM
	<i>Anas clypeata</i>		Northern Shoveler	SM, FM
	<i>Anas discors</i>		Blue-winged Teal	CB
	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>		Mallard	CB
	<i>Anas rubripes</i>		American Black Duck	SM
	<i>Anas strepera</i>		Gadwall	SM, FM
	<i>Aythya affinis</i>		Lesser Scaup	SM, FM
	<i>Aythya collaris</i>		Ring-necked Duck	SM, FM
	<i>Branta canadensis</i>		Canada Goose	CB
	<i>Bucephala albeola</i>		Bufflehead	SM, FM
	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>		Common Goldeneye	SM, FM
	<i>Lophodytes cucullatus</i>		Hooded Merganser	CB
	<i>Mergus serrator</i>		Red-breasted Merganser	SM, FM
Falconiformes				
Accipitridae	<i>Accipiter cooperii</i> ^(E)		Cooper's Hawk	NB
	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>		Sharp-shinned Hawk	SM, FM
	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>		Red-tailed Hawk	CB
	<i>Buteo lineatus</i>		Red-shouldered Hawk	NB
	<i>Buteo platypterus</i>		Broad-winged Hawk	NB, SM, FM
	<i>Buteo swainsoni</i> ^(E)		Swainson's Hawk	SM, FM
	<i>Circus cyaneus</i> ^(E,A)		Northern Harrier	CB
	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>		Bald Eagle	SM, FM
	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>		Osprey	SM, FM

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Falconiformes				
Falconidae	<i>Falco columbarius</i>		Merlin	SM, FM
	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>		Peregrine Falcon	SM
	<i>Falco sparverius</i>		American Kestrel	CB
Galliformes				
Phasianidae	<i>Colinus virginianus</i>		Northern Bobwhite	CB
	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i> *		Ring-necked Pheasant	CB
	<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>		Wild Turkey	CB
Gruiformes				
Rallidae	<i>Fulica americana</i>		American Coot	CB
	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i> ^(T)		Common Moorhen	CB
	<i>Porzana carolina</i> ^(W)		Sora	CB
	<i>Rallus elegans</i> ^(E)		King Rail	CB
	<i>Rallus limicola</i> ^(W)		Virginia Rail	CB
Gruiformes				
Gruidae	<i>Grus canadensis</i> ^(E)		Sandhill Crane	SM, FM
Charadriiformes				
Charadriidae	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>		Killdeer	CB
	<i>Pluvialis dominica</i>		American Golden-Plover	SM, FM
Charadriiformes				
Scolopacidae	<i>Actitis macularia</i>		Spotted Sandpiper	SM, FM
	<i>Bartramia longicauda</i>		Upland Sandpiper	CB
	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i> ^(W)		Common Snipe	CB
	<i>Scolopax minor</i>		American Woodcock	CB
	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>		Lesser Yellowlegs	SM, FM
	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>		Greater Yellowlegs	SM, FM
	<i>Tringa solitaria</i>		Solitary Sandpiper	SM, FM
Charadriiformes				
Laridae	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>		Black Tern	SM, FM
	<i>Larus argentatus</i>		Herring Gull	NB
	<i>Larus delawarensis</i>		Ring-billed Gull	NB
	<i>Sterna forsteri</i> ^(E)		Forster's Tern	SM, FM
Columbiformes				
Columbidae	<i>Columba livia</i> *		Rock Dove	CB
	<i>Zenaidura macroura</i>		Mourning Dove	CB
Cuculiformes				
Cuculidae	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i> ^(A)		Yellow-billed Cuckoo	CB
	<i>Coccyzus erythrophthalmus</i> ^(A)		Black-billed Cuckoo	CB

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Strigiformes				
Strigidae	<i>Asio flammeus</i> ^(E)		Short-eared Owl	WRO
	<i>Asio otus</i> ^(E)		Long-eared Owl	WRO
	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>		Great Horned Owl	CB
	<i>Otus asio</i>		Eastern Screech-Owl	CB
	<i>Strix varia</i>		Barred Owl	CB
Apodiformes				
Apodidae	<i>Chaetura pelagica</i>		Chimney Swift	CB
Apodiformes				
Trochilidae	<i>Archilochus colubris</i>		Ruby-throated Hummingbird	CB, SM, FM
Coraciiformes				
Alcedinidae	<i>Ceryle alcyon</i>		Belted Kingfisher	CB
Piciformes				
Picidae	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>		Northern Flicker	CB
	<i>Melanerpes carolinus</i>		Red-bellied Woodpecker	CB
	<i>Melanerpes erythrocephalus</i>		Red-headed Woodpecker	CB
	<i>Picoides pubescens</i>		Downy Woodpecker	CB
	<i>Picoides villosus</i> ^(A)		Hairy Woodpecker	CB
	<i>Sphyrapicus varius</i>		Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	SM, FM
Passeriformes				
Tyrannidae	<i>Contopus virens</i>		Eastern Wood-Pewee	CB
	<i>Empidonax minimus</i> ^(W,A)		Least Flycatcher	CB
	<i>Empidonax traillii</i>		Willow Flycatcher	CB
	<i>Empidonax vireescens</i> ^(A)		Acadian Flycatcher	CB
	<i>Myiarchus crinitus</i>		Great Crested Flycatcher	CB
	<i>Sayornis phoebe</i>		Eastern Phoebe	CB
	<i>Tyrannus tyrannus</i>		Eastern Kingbird	CB
Passeriformes				
Alaudidae	<i>Eremophila alpestris</i>		Horned Lark	CB
Passeriformes				
Hirundinidae	<i>Hirundo pyrrhonota</i>		Cliff Swallow	NB, SM, FM
	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		Barn Swallow	CB
	<i>Progne subis</i>		Purple Martin	CB
	<i>Riparia riparia</i>		Bank Swallow	CB
	<i>Stelgidopteryx serripennis</i>		Northern Rough-winged Swallow	CB
	<i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>		Tree Swallow	CB
Passeriformes				
Corvidae	<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>		American Crow	CB
	<i>Cyanocitta cristata</i>		Blue Jay	CB


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Passeriformes				
Paridae	<i>Parus atricapillus</i>		Black-capped Chickadee	CB
	<i>Parus bicolor</i>		Tufted Titmouse	CB
Passeriformes				
Sittidae	<i>Sitta canadensis</i>		Red-breasted Nuthatch	WRP
	<i>Sitta carolinensis</i> ^(A)		White-breasted Nuthatch	CB
Passeriformes				
Certhiidae	<i>Certhia americana</i>		Brown Creeper	SM, FM
Passeriformes				
Troglodytidae	<i>Cistothorus palustris</i> ^(W)		Marsh Wren	CB
	<i>Cistothorus platensis</i> ^(A)		Sedge Wren	CB
	<i>Thryothorus ludovicianus</i>		Carolina Wren	CB
	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>		House Wren	CB
	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>		Winter Wren	SM, FM
Passeriformes				
Turdidae	<i>Catharus fuscescens</i>		Veery	SM, FM
	<i>Catharus guttatus</i>		Hermit Thrush	SM, FM
	<i>Catharus ustulatus</i>		Swainson's Thrush	SM, FM
	<i>Hylocichla mustelina</i>		Wood Thrush	CB
	<i>Sialia sialis</i>		Eastern Bluebird	CB
	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>		American Robin	CB
Passeriformes				
Sylviidae	<i>Poliophtila caerulea</i>		Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	CB
Passeriformes				
Mimidae	<i>Dumetella carolinensis</i>		Gray Catbird	CB
	<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>		Northern Mockingbird	CB
	<i>Toxostoma rufum</i>		Brown Thrasher	CB
Passeriformes				
Bombycillidae	<i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i>		Cedar Waxwing	CB
Passeriformes				
Laniidae	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>		Northern Shrike	WRO
	<i>Lanius ludovicianus</i> ^(T,FC)		Loggerhead Shrike	CB
Passeriformes				
Sturnidae	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i> *		European Starling	CB
Passeriformes				
Vireonidae	<i>Vireo bellii</i>		Bell's Vireo	CB
	<i>Vireo flavifrons</i>		Yellow-throated Vireo	CB
	<i>Vireo gilvus</i>		Warbling Vireo	CB
	<i>Vireo griseus</i>		White-eyed Vireo	CB
	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>		Red-eyed Vireo	CB

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Passeriformes				
Icteridae	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>		Red-winged Blackbird	CB
	<i>Icterus galbula</i>		Northern Oriole	CB
	<i>Icterus spurius</i>		Orchard Oriole	CB
	<i>Molothrus ater</i>		Brown-headed Cowbird	CB
	<i>Quiscalus quiscula</i>		Common Grackle	CB
	<i>Sturnella magna</i>		Eastern Meadowlark	CB
	<i>Sturnella neglecta</i>		Western Meadowlark	CB
	<i>Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus</i>		Yellow-headed Blackbird	SM, FM
Passeriformes				
Parulidae	<i>Dendroica caerulescens</i>		Black-throated Blue Warbler	SM
	<i>Dendroica castanea</i>		Bay-breasted Warbler	SM
	<i>Dendroica cerulea</i>		Cerulean Warbler	CB
	<i>Dendroica coronata</i>		Myrtle Warbler	SM, FM
	<i>Dendroica fusca</i>		Blackburnian Warbler	SM
	<i>Dendroica magnolia</i>		Magnolia Warbler	SM
	<i>Dendroica palmarum</i>		Palm Warbler	SM
	<i>Dendroica pensylvanica</i>		Chestnut-sided Warbler	WRP
	<i>Dendroica petechia</i>		Yellow Warbler	CB
	<i>Dendroica tigrina</i>		Cape May Warbler	SM
	<i>Dendroica virens</i>		Black-throated Green Warbler	SM, FM
	<i>Mniotilta varia</i>		Black-and-white Warbler	SM
	<i>Oporornis agilis</i>		Connecticut Warbler	SM, FM
	<i>Oporornis formosus</i> ^(A)		Kentucky Warbler	CB
	<i>Oporornis philadelphia</i>		Mourning Warbler	NB
	<i>Seiurus aurocapillus</i>		Ovenbird	CB
	<i>Seiurus noveboracensis</i>		Northern Waterthrush	SM
	<i>Setophaga ruticilla</i>		American Redstart	NB
	<i>Vermivora celata</i>		Orange-crowned Warbler	SM
	<i>Vermivora peregrina</i>		Tennessee Warbler	SM
	<i>Vermivora pinus</i>		Blue-winged Warbler	CB
	<i>Vermivora ruficapilla</i>		Nashville Warbler	SM
	<i>Wilsonia canadensis</i>		Canada Warbler	SM
	<i>Wilsonia pusilla</i>		Wilson's Warbler	SM
Passeriformes				
Cardinalidae	<i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i>		Northern Cardinal	CB
	<i>Guiraca caerulea</i>		Blue Grosbeak	CB
	<i>Passerina cyanea</i>		Indigo Bunting	CB
	<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>		Rose-breasted Grosbeak	CB
	<i>Piranga olivacea</i>		Scarlet Tanager	CB
	<i>Piranga rubra</i>		Summer Tanager	SM, FM
	<i>Spiza americana</i>		Dickcissel	CB

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Passeriformes				
Emberizidae	<i>Aimophila ruficeps</i>		Rufous-crowned Sparrow	SM
	<i>Ammodramus henslowii</i> ^(E)		Henslow's Sparrow	CB
	<i>Ammodramus leconteii</i>		Le Conte's Sparrow	WR
	<i>Ammodramus savannarum</i>		Grasshopper Sparrow	CB
	<i>Chondestes grammacus</i>		Lark Sparrow	SB
	<i>Dolichonyx oryzivorus</i>		Bobolink	CB
	<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>		Common Yellowthroat	CB
	<i>Icteria virens</i>		Yellow-breasted Chat	CB
	<i>Junco hyemalis</i>		Dark-eyed Junco	WR
	<i>Melospiza georgiana</i>		Swamp Sparrow	SM
	<i>Melospiza lincolni</i>		Lincoln's Sparrow	SM, FM
	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>		Song Sparrow	CB
	<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>		Savannah Sparrow	CB
	<i>Passerella iliaca</i>		Fox Sparrow	WRP
	<i>Pipilo erythrophthalmus</i>		Eastern Towhee	CB
	<i>Poocetes gramineus</i>		Vesper Sparrow	CB
	<i>Spizella arborea</i>		American Tree Sparrow	WR
	<i>Spizella pallida</i> ^(W)		Clay-colored Sparrow	SM, FM
	<i>Spizella passerina</i>		Chipping Sparrow	CB
	<i>Spizella pusilla</i>		Field Sparrow	CB
	<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>		White-throated Sparrow	SM, FM, WRP
	<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys</i>		White-crowned Sparrow	SM
Passeriformes				
Fringillidae	<i>Carduelis pinus</i>		Pine Siskin	WR
	<i>Carduelis tristis</i>		American Goldfinch	CB
	<i>Carpodacus mexicanus</i> *		House Finch	CB
Passeriformes				
Passeridae	<i>Passer domesticus</i> *		House Sparrow	CB
Status Key:	CB = Confirmed Breeder			
	NB = Nearby Breeder			
	SB = Suspected Breeder			
	SM = Spring Migrant			
	FM = Fall Migrant			
	WR = Winter Resident, Definite			
	WRO = Winter Resident, Occasional			
WRP = Winter Resident, Probable				
Species Key:	(A) Area sensitive species			
	(FC) Federal candidate species, (FE) Federal endangered species			
	(E) Illinois Endangered species, (T) Illinois threatened species, (W) Illinois watch list			
	* Introduced/Non-native species			

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