

Birding List

Lake Charles/Southwest Louisiana & the Creole Nature Trail All-American Road

species	winter	spring	summer	fall	notes
Common Loon	o	o	x	o	
Pied-billed Grebe	c	c	c	c	
Horned Grebe	r	x	NR	x	
Eared Grebe	r	r	x	r	
Western Grebe	r	NR	NR	NR	
Yellow-nosed Albatross	NR	x	NR	NR	
Cory's Shearwater	NR	x	NR	NR	
Audubon's Shearwater	NR	NR	NR	x	
Masked Booby	NR	x	NR	x	
Northern Gannet	o	o	r	r	
American White Pelican	c	u	o	c	
Brown Pelican	a	u	u	a	
Double-crested Cormorant	a	c	o	a	
Neotropic Cormorant	a	a	a	a	
Anhinga	o	u	u	u	
Magnificent Frigatebird	NR	o	o	r	
American Bittern	u	u	x-em	u	
Least Bittern	r	c	c	u	
Great Blue Heron	a	a	a	a	
Great Egret	a	a	a	a	
Snowy Egret	a	a	a	a	
Little Blue Heron	u	a	a	a	
Tricolored Heron	u	a	a	a	
Reddish Egret	o	r	u	u	
Cattle Egret	u	a	a	a	
Green Heron	o	c	c	c	
Black-crowned Night-Heron	u	c	c	c	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	r	c	c	o	
White Ibis	c	c	c	a	
Glossy Ibis	o	o	o	o	
White-faced Ibis	c	c	c	c	
Roseate Spoonbill	a	a	a	a	
Wood Stork	x	x	o	o	

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Fulvous Whistling-Duck	r	c	c	u	
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	u	c	c	u	
Greater White-fronted Goose	c	u	u	u	
Snow Goose	a	o	NR	u	
Ross's Goose	u	r	NR	r	
Brant	x	NR	NR	x	
Canada Goose	u	u	u	u	
Wood Duck	u	u	u	o	
Green-winged Teal	a	c	x	c	
American Black Duck	x	NR	NR	NR	
Mottled Duck	a	a	a	a	
Mallard	a	c	u	c	
Northern Pintail	a	c	r	c	
Blue-winged Teal	a	a	o	c	
Cinnamon Teal	o	x	NR	x	
Northern Shoveler	a	c	r	c	
Gadwall	a	c	r	c	
American Wigeon	c	o	x	u	
Canvasback	o	r	x	o	
Redhead	o	r	NR	o	
Ring-necked Duck	c	r	x	u	
Greater Scaup	o	r	x	x	
Lesser Scaup	c	u	r	u	
Long-tailed Duck (Oldsquaw)	r	o	NR	x	
Black Scoter	o	r	r	x	
Surf Scoter	o	o	x	r	
White-winged Scoter	r	r	NR	r	
Common Goldeneye	r	x	NR	x	
Bufflehead	c	x	NR	x	
Hooded Merganser	u	o	NR	x	
Common Merganser *	x	NR	NR	NR	
Red-breasted Merganser	c	o	x	o	
Ruddy Duck	c	o	r	o	
Masked Duck	x	x	NR	NR	
Black Vulture	c	c	c	c	
Turkey Vulture	c	c	u	c	
Osprey	u	u	o	u	
Swallow-tailed Kite	NR	r	x	Im-x	
White-tailed Kite	u	o	o	u	
Mississippi Kite	NR	o	o	u	

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Bald Eagle	r	NR	NR	r	
Northern Harrier	c	u	r-em	c	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	u	o	NR	c	
Cooper's Hawk	u	r	x-em	u	
Red-shouldered Hawk	c	c	c	c	
Broad-winged Hawk	r	o	o	c	
Swainson's Hawk	r	o	r	o	
Red-tailed Hawk	a	a	u	a	
Ferruginous Hawk	x	NR	NR	x	
Golden Eagle	x	NR	NR	r	
Crested Caracara	o	o	o	o	
American Kestrel	a	c	NR	a	
Merlin	u	u	o-em	u	
Peregrine Falcon	u	u	x-em	u	
Northern Bobwhite	r	u	u	u	
Yellow Rail	x	x	NR	x	
Black Rail	x	x	a	NR	
Clapper Rail	c	c	c	c	
King Rail	c	c	c	c	
Virginia Rail	u	u	NR	u	
Sora	c	c	NR	c	
Purple Gallinule	r	c	c	o	
Common Moorhen	a	a	a	a	
American Coot	a	a	o	a	
Sandhill Crane	c	x-lm	NR	r	
Black-bellied Plover	a	a	u	a	
American Golden-Plover	x-lm/o-em	c	x	r	
Mongolian Plover	NR	NR	NR	x	
Snowy Plover	u	u	o-em	u	
Wilson's Plover	r	u	u	u	
Semipalmated Plover	c	c	o/u-em	c	
Piping Plover	u	u	x-lm/o-em	u	
Killdeer	a	a	a	a	
American Oystercatcher	x	o	x	o	
Black-necked Stilt	a	a	a	a	
American Avocet	a	a	o	a	
Greater Yellowlegs	c	c	o/u-em	c	
Lesser Yellowlegs	c	c	o/u-em	c	
Solitary Sandpiper	r	u	u-em	u	
Willet	a	a	a	a	

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Spotted Sandpiper	u	c	o-lm/u-em	c	
Upland Sandpiper	NR	u	o	o	
Whimbrel	o	c	o	o	
Long-billed Curlew	u	o	r/o-em	u	
Hudsonian Godwit	NR	u	x-lm	x	
Marbled Godwit	u	u	o	u	
Ruddy Turnstone	u	c	u	c	
Red Knot	r	u	o	o	
Sanderling	a	a	u	a	
Semipalmated Sandpiper	NR	c	u-lm/o/c-em	c	
Western Sandpiper	c	c	o-lm/r/c-em	c	
Least Sandpiper	c	c	o-lm/r/u-em	c	
White-rumped Sandpiper	NR	c	o-lm/x	x	
Baird's Sandpiper	NR	o	o-em	o	
Pectoral Sandpiper	o-em	c	o-lm/u-em	c	
Purple Sandpiper	x	x	NR	NR	
Dunlin	c	c	u-lm/r	c	
Curlew Sandpiper	NR	NR	NR	x	
Stilt Sandpiper	o	c	o-lm/u-em	c	
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	NR	u	o-em	u	
Ruff	NR	x	NR	NR	
Short-billed Dowitcher	c	c	u-lm/r/u-em	c	
Long-billed Dowitcher	c	c	x-lm/r	c	
Common Snipe	c	u	o-em	c	
American Woodcock	u	NR	x-em	u	
Wilson's Phalarope	x	u	x-lm/o-em	u	
Red-necked Phalarope	x	x	NR	x	
Red Phalarope	NR	NR	NR	x	
Pomarine Jaeger	o	r	r	x	
Parasitic Jaeger	r	NR	NR	x	
Long-tailed Jaeger	NR	x	NR	NR	
Laughing Gull	a	a	a	a	
Franklin's Gull	r	o	r	u	
Little Gull	x	x	NR	NR	
Bonaparte's Gull	c	u	x	u	
Ring-billed Gull	a	a	o	a	
California Gull	x	x	x	r	
Herring Gull	a	a	o	a	
Thayer's Gull	NR	x	NR	NR	
Lesser Black-backed Gull	r	r	r	o	

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Glaucous Gull	r	r	x	x	
Great Black-backed Gull	r	r	NR	x	
Black-legged Kittiwake	r	r	x	x	
Sabine's Gull	NR	x	NR	x	
Gull-billed Tern	u	u	u	c	
Caspian Tern	u	a	u	a	
Royal Tern	c	a	a	a	
Sandwich Tern	r	a	c	c	
Common Tern	o	c	u	c	
Arctic Tern	NR	x	x-lm	NR	
Forster's Tern	a	a	a	a	
Least Tern	x	a	a	u	
Bridled Tern	NR	x	NR	x	
Sooty Tern	NR	x	x	x	
Black Tern	r	c	a	c	
Brown Noddy	NR	NR	x	x	
Black Skimmer	c	c	u	c	
Rock Dove (I)	u	u	u	u	
Eurasian Collared Dove (I)	c	c	c	c	
White-winged Dove	c	c	c	c	
Mourning Dove	a	a	a	a	
Inca Dove	u	u	c	u	
Common Ground-Dove	r	r	r	r	
Black-billed Cuckoo	NR	u	a	u	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	x	a	a	c	
Greater Roadrunner	o	o	o	o	
Groove-billed Ani	o	r	NR	o	
Barn Owl	u	u	u	u	
Eastern Screech-Owl	u	u	u	u	
Great Horned Owl	c	c	c	c	
Burrowing Owl	r	x	NR	r	
Barred Owl	u	u	u	u	
Long-eared Owl	x	NR	NR	NR	
Short-eared Owl	o	NR	NR	x	
Northern Saw-whet Owl	x	NR	NR	NR	
Lesser Nighthawk	NR	r	NR	x	
Common Nighthawk	NR	c	c	u	
Chuck-will's-widow	o	o	r	u	
Whip-poor-will	r	x	x-lm/r-em	o	
Chimney Swift	NR	a	a	c	

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Buff-bellied Hummingbird	r	x-lm	NR	r	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	u	o	o	r	
Black-chinned Hummingbird	r	NR	NR	x	
Anna's Hummingbird	x	NR	NR	x	
Calliope Hummingbird	x	NR	NR	NR	
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	NR	NR	NR	x	
Rufous Hummingbird	o	NR	x-em	r	
Belted Kingfisher	a	a	o	a	
Red-headed Woodpecker	u	u	u	u	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	a	a	a	a	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	c	u	NR	c	
Williamson's Sapsucker	NR	NR	NR	x	
Downy Woodpecker	c	c	c	c	
Hairy Woodpecker	u	u	u	u	
Northern (Yellow-shafted) Flicker	a	c	u	c	
Pileated Woodpecker	u	u	u	u	
Olive-sided Flycatcher	NR	r	o-em	o	
Western Wood-Pewee	NR	NR	NR	r	
Eastern Wood-Pewee	NR	c	o-lm/u-em	c	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	NR	o	x-lm/o-em	u	
Acadian Flycatcher	NR	c	c	u	
Alder Flycatcher	NR	r	u-em	u	
Willow Flycatcher	NR	x	NR	NR	
Least Flycatcher	r	r	u-em	c	
Hammond's Flycatcher	NR	NR	NR	x	
Pacific-slope Flycatcher	NR	x	NR	NR	
Cordilleran Flycatcher	NR	NR	NR	x	
Eastern Phoebe	a	c	NR	a	
Say's Phoebe	NR	NR	NR	x	
Vermilion Flycatcher	o	r	NR	o	
Ash-throated Flycatcher	r	r	NR	r	
Great Crested Flycatcher	NR	c	c	c	
Brown-crested Flycatcher	x	x	NR	x	
Great Kiskadee	x	x	x	x	
Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher	NR	x	NR	x	
Couch's Kingbird	x	x	x	x	
Cassin's Kingbird	NR	NR	NR	x	
Western Kingbird	r	r	r-em	o	
Eastern Kingbird	NR	a	a	a	
Gray Kingbird	NR	x	NR	NR	

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Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	r	u	u	c	
Loggerhead Shrike	a	a	a	a	
White-eyed Vireo	o	a	a	c	
Bell's Vireo*	r	x	NR	r	
Yellow-throated Vireo	NR	u	o	u	
Plumbeous Vireo	NR	NR	NR	x	
Cassin's Vireo	NR	NR	NR	x	
Blue-headed Vireo	u	o	NR	u	
Warbling Vireo	x	o	NR	o	
Philadelphia Vireo	x	u	NR	c	
Red-eyed Vireo	x	a	u	c	
Yellow-green Vireo	NR	x	x	NR	
Black-whiskered Vireo	NR	x	x	NR	
Blue Jay	a	a	a	a	
American Crow	c	u	u	u	
Fish Crow	a	a	a	a	
Horned Lark	r	x	NR	x	
Purple Martin	o-em	a	a	r	
Tree Swallow	c	a	NR	c	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	r	c	o-em	c	
Bank Swallow	x	u	o-em	u	
Cliff Swallow	NR	c	u	c	
Cave Swallow	x	o	o	NR	
Barn Swallow	r	a	a	a	
Carolina Chickadee	a	a	a	a	
Tufted Titmouse	a	a	a	a	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	r	x	NR	r	
Brown-headed Nuthatch	u	u	u	u	
Brown Creeper	o	NR	NR	o	
Rock Wren	x	NR	NR	x	
Carolina Wren	a	a	a	a	
Bewick's Wren	r	x	NR	r	
House Wren	a	c	NR	c	
Winter Wren	u	NR	NR	o	
Sedge Wren	c	c	NR	c	
Marsh Wren	c	c	u	c	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	u	o	NR	u	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	a	c	NR	a	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	c	c	u	a	
Northern Wheatear	NR	NR	NR	x	

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Eastern Bluebird	c	c	u	c	
Mountain Bluebird	NR	NR	NR	x	
Townsend's Solitaire	x	NR	NR	x	
Veery	x	c	x-lm	o	
Gray-cheeked Thrush	NR	c	x-lm	o	
Swainson's Thrush	x	c	x-lm	u	
Hermit Thrush	c	u	NR	c	
Wood Thrush	r	c	u	c	
American Robin	a	u	u	c	
Varied Thrush	x	x	NR	NR	
Gray Catbird	u	a	r	c	
Northern Mockingbird	a	a	a	a	
Sage Thrasher	x	NR	NR	x	
Brown Thrasher	c	c	u	a	
Curve-billed Thrasher	x	NR	NR	NR	
American Pipit	c	u	NR	c	
Sprague's Pipit	o	x	NR	o	
White Wagtail	NR	NR	NR	x	
Cedar Waxwing	c	u	o-lm	o	
European Starling (I)	a	a	a	a	
Blue-winged Warbler	NR	c	o-em	u	
Golden-winged Warbler	NR	o	NR	o	
Tennessee Warbler	r	a	NR	c	
Orange-crowned Warbler	c	u	NR	u	
Nashville Warbler	r	o	o-em	u	
Virginia's Warbler	x	NR	NR	NR	
Lucy's Warbler	x	NR	NR	x	
Northern Parula	r	c	u	u	
Tropical Parula	x	NR	NR	x	
Yellow Warbler	r	c	r-lm/c-em	u	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	x	c	NR	u	
Magnolia Warbler	r	c	r-lm	c	
Cape May Warbler	NR	o	x-lm	r	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	NR	r	NR	r	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	a	c	NR	c	
Black-throated Gray Warbler	r	NR	NR	r	
Townsend's Warbler	x	NR	NR	x	
Hermit Warbler	NR	x	NR	NR	
Black-throated Green Warbler	r	c	x-lm/r-em	c	
Blackburnian Warbler	NR	c	NR	u	

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Yellow-throated Warbler	r	U	o	o	
Pine Warbler	c	c	c	c	
Prairie Warbler	r	o	u-em	U	
Palm Warbler	U	U	NR	U	
Bay-breasted Warbler	x	c	NR	U	
Blackpoll Warbler	NR	c	x-lm	x	
Cerulean Warbler	NR	U	r-em	r	
Black-and-white Warbler	r	c	r-lm/c-em	c	
American Redstart	r	c	r-lm/o-em	c	
Prothonotary Warbler	x	c	U	c	
Worm-eating Warbler	NR	U	o-em	U	
Swainson's Warbler	NR	o	o	r	
Ovenbird	r	c	r-lm/o-em	c	
Northern Waterthrush	r	c	r-lm/u-em	c	
Louisiana Waterthrush	NR	U	o-em	r	
Kentucky Warbler	NR	c	U	U	
Mourning Warbler	NR	r	u-em	U	
MacGillivray's Warbler	NR	r	NR	x	
Connecticut Warbler	NR	x	NR	NR	
Common Yellowthroat	a	a	U	a	
Hooded Warbler	x	c	U	c	
Wilson's Warbler	o	o	u-em	U	
Canada Warbler	NR	o	u-em	c	
Red-faced Warbler	NR	x	NR	NR	
Painted Redstart	x	x	NR	NR	
Yellow-breasted Chat	r	U	U	U	
Hepatic Tanager	NR	x	NR	NR	
Summer Tanager	r	c	U	c	
Scarlet Tanager	NR	c	r-lm	o	
Western Tanager	r	r	NR	r	
Green-tailed Towhee	x	x	NR	x	
Eastern Towhee	U	U	U	U	
Spotted Towhee	r	x	NR	r	
Bachman's Sparrow	o	o	o	o	
Chipping Sparrow	c	U	r	U	
Clay-colored Sparrow	x	r	NR	o	
Brewer's Sparrow	x	NR	NR	NR	
Field Sparrow	U	o	r	U	
Vesper Sparrow	o	r	NR	o	
Lark Sparrow	o	o	r	o	

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Lark Bunting	NR	x	NR	x	
Savannah Sparrow	a	a	NR	a	
Grasshopper Sparrow	o	r	NR	o	
Henslow's Sparrow	x	NR	NR	NR	
Le Conte's Sparrow	u	o	NR	u	
Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow	u	u	NR	u	
Seaside Sparrow	u	u	u	u	
Fox Sparrow	o	NR	NR	o	
Song Sparrow	a	u	NR	c	
Lincoln's Sparrow	u	u	NR	u	
Swamp Sparrow	a	a	NR	a	
White-throated Sparrow	a	a	NR	a	
Golden-crowned Sparrow	x	x	NR	NR	
White-crowned Sparrow	u	u	NR	u	
Harris's Sparrow	r	x	NR	r	
Dark-eyed Junco	u	NR	NR	u	
Lapland Longspur	x	NR	NR	x	
Chestnut-collared Longspur	NR	x	x	x	
Northern Cardinal	a	a	a	a	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	r	c	NR	c	
Black-headed Grosbeak	x	x	NR	r	
Blue Bunting	x	NR	NR	NR	
Blue Grosbeak	r	c	o	c	
Lazuli Bunting	NR	x	NR	x	
Indigo Bunting	r	a	o	a	
Varied Bunting	NR	x	NR	NR	
Painted Bunting	r	c	c	c	
Dickcissel	x	c	u	u	
Bobolink	NR	u	NR	r	
Red-winged Blackbird	a	a	a	a	
Eastern Meadowlark	a	a	a	a	
Western Meadowlark	x	x	NR	x	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	r	o	NR	r	
Rusty Blackbird	u	r	NR	o	
Brewer's Blackbird	u	o	NR	o	
Great-tailed Grackle	a	a	a	a	
Boat-tailed Grackle	a	a	a	a	
Common Grackle	a	a	a	a	
Shiny Cowbird	NR	x	x	NR	
Bronzed Cowbird	o	u	o	u	

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Brown-headed Cowbird	a	a	a	a	
Orchard Oriole	x	a	c	u	
Hooded Oriole	NR	x	NR	NR	
Baltimore Oriole	r	c	o	c	
Bullock's Oriole	r	r	NR	r	
Scott's Oriole	x	NR	NR	x	
Purple Finch	r	NR	NR	r	
House Finch (I)	u	u	u	u	
Pine Siskin	r	x	NR	r	
Lesser Goldfinch	NR	x	NR	NR	
American Goldfinch	c	u	x	u	
Evening Grosbeak	x	x	NR	NR	
House Sparrow (I)	a	a	a	a	

KEY:

winter = December through February

spring = March through May

summer = June through August

fall = September through November

a = abundant (almost certainly will be found in proper habitat and season, often in large numbers)

c = common (normally present; should be found in proper habitat and season; numbers vary)

u = uncommon (might be found; usually present in proper habitat and season, but may be overlooked; typically in small numbers)

o = occasional (infrequently encountered; may occur during relatively narrow timeframe or in very specialized habitat)

r = rare (seldom observed; may not be of annual occurrence during season indicated)

x = accidental (five or fewer total accepted records for season indicated)

NR = no accepted records for season indicated

I = established "introduced" species

em = early migrant, e.g., early spring migrants may actually begin arriving during late winter

lm = late migrant, e.g., late spring migrants can occur into early June of the summer season

/ = status complex; e.g., late spring migrants, summering individuals, and/or early fall migrants may occur during summer