

Field Checklist of Birds of Michigan's Upper Peninsula

This checklist includes all 402 species observed within Michigan's Upper Peninsula as of 1 January 2017 that are acceptable by Michigan Bird Records Committee standards. Species that have nested in the U.P. are italicized. Uncommon species are indicated by U, rare species by R, and accidental species (documented once or only a few times in the U.P. during the last ten years) by A. An E designates extirpated species, while extinct species are indicated by †. The sequence of birds follows the 57th Supplement to the American Ornithologists' Union's Checklist.

Waterfowl

Geese, Swans, Ducks, & Relatives

Whistling-Ducks

- ___ Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (A)
- ___ 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 (U)

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 (A)
- ___ Common Eider (A)
- ___ Harlequin Duck (R)
- ___ 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*

Fowl

Quail

- ___ *Northern Bobwhite* (A)

Pheasant, Grouse, and Turkey

- ___ *Ring-necked Pheasant*
- ___ *Ruffed Grouse*
- ___ *Spruce Grouse*
- ___ *Sharp-tailed Grouse*
- ___ *Greater Prairie-Chicken* (E)
- ___ *Wild Turkey*

Grebes

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

Pigeons and Doves

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

Cuckoos

- ___ *Yellow-billed Cuckoo*
- ___ *Black-billed Cuckoo*

Nighthawks and Nightjars

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

Swifts and Hummingbirds

- ___ *Chimney Swift*
- ___ Mexican Violetear (A)
- ___ *Ruby-throated Hummingbird*
- ___ Anna's Hummingbird (A)
- ___ Rufous Hummingbird (A)
- ___ Broad-billed Hummingbird (A)
- ___ Berylline Hummingbird (A)

Rails, Cranes, and Relatives

Rails, Gallinules, & Coots

- ___ *Yellow Rail* (R)
- ___ Black Rail (A)
- ___ King Rail (A)
- ___ *Virginia Rail*
- ___ *Sora*
- ___ Purple Gallinule (A)
- ___ Common Gallinule (A)
- ___ *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

- ___ *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*
- ___ *Spotted Sandpiper*
- ___ Solitary Sandpiper
- ___ Greater Yellowlegs
- ___ Willet (U)
- ___ Lesser Yellowlegs
- ___ *Wilson's Phalarope* (U)
- ___ Red-necked Phalarope (R)
- ___ Red Phalarope (R)

Jaegers

- ___ Pomarine Jaeger (A)
- ___ Parasitic Jaeger (U)
- ___ Long-tailed Jaeger (R)

Murres & Relatives

- ___ Ancient Murrelet (R)

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 (R)
- ___ 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* (U)
- ___ *Common Tern*
- ___ Arctic Tern (A)
- ___ *Forster's Tern*

Loons

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

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* (U)
- ___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron (A)

Ibises

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

Vultures

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- ___ Black Vulture (R)
- ___ *Turkey Vulture*

Hawks and Allies

Ospreys

- ___ *Osprey*

Kites, Eagles, & Hawks

- ___ Swallow-tailed Kite (A)
- ___ Mississippi Kite (R)
- ___ *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*
- ___ Rough-legged Hawk
- ___ Ferruginous Hawk (A)
- ___ Golden Eagle (U)

Owls

Barn Owls

- ___ Barn Owl (A)

Typical Owls

- ___ 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*

Kingfishers

___ *Belted Kingfisher*

Woodpeckers

___ *Lewis's Woodpecker* (A)
___ *Red-headed Woodpecker*
___ *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*
___ *Gyr Falcon* (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* (R)
___ *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* (R)
___ *Northern Shrike*

Vireos

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

Jays, Magpies, & Crows

___ *Gray Jay*
___ *Blue Jay*
___ *Clark's Nutcracker* (A)
___ *Black-billed Magpie* (R)
___ *American Crow*
___ *Common Raven*

Larks

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

Chickadees and Titmice

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

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*

Waxwings

___ *Bohemian Waxwing*
___ *Cedar Waxwing*

Old World Sparrows

___ *House Sparrow*
___ *Eurasian Tree Sparrow* (R)

Wagtails and Pipits

___ *White Wagtail* (A)
___ *American Pipit*
___ *Sprague's Pipit* (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*

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* (R)
___ *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*
___ *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* (R)
___ *Prairie Warbler* (R)
___ *Black-throated Gray Warbler* (A)
___ *Black-throated Green Warbler*
___ *Canada Sparbler*
___ *Wilson's Warbler*
___ *Painted Redstart* (A)
___ *Yellow-breasted Chat* (A)

Towhees, Sparrows, & Relatives

___ *Green-tailed Towhee* (A)
___ *Spotted Towhee* (R)
___ *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* (R)
___ *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

___ *Hepatic Tanager* (A)
___ *Summer Tanager* (U)
___ *Scarlet Tanager*
___ *Western Tanager* (R)
___ *Northern Cardinal*
___ *Rose-breasted Grosbeak*
___ *Blue Grosbeak* (R)
___ *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* (U)
___ *Baltimore Oriole*
___ *Bullock's Oriole* (A)

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