

_____	Brown-headed Cowbird	Ru
_____	Great-tailed Grackle	Rc
_____	Ovenbird	Mf
_____	Worm-eating Warbler	Mu
_____	Louisiana Waterthrush	Mf
_____	Northern Waterthrush	Mf
_____	Golden-winged Warbler	Mr
_____	Blue-winged Warbler	Mu
_____	Black-and-White Warbler	Mc
_____	Prothonotary Warbler	Mu
_____	Swainson's Warbler	Mr
_____	Tennessee Warbler	Mc
_____	Orange-crowned Warbler	Mc, Wf
_____	Nashville Warbler	Mf
_____	Mourning Warbler	Mr
_____	Kentucky Warbler	Mf
_____	Common Yellowthroat	Sr, Wf
_____	Hooded Warbler	Mr
_____	American Redstart	Mf
_____	Cape May Warbler	Mr
_____	Cerulean Warbler	Mu
_____	Northern Parula	Mf
_____	Magnolia Warbler	Mf
_____	Bay-breasted Warbler	Mf
_____	Blackburnian Warbler	Mf
_____	Yellow Warbler Mc,	Wr
_____	Chestnut-sided Warbler	Mf
_____	Blackpoll Warbler	Mu
_____	Black-throated Blue Warbler	Mr
_____	Palm Warbler	Wu
_____	Pine Warbler	Wr
_____	Yellow-rumped Warbler	Mf, Wf
_____	Yellow-throated Warbler	Mf
_____	Prairie Warbler	Mr
_____	Townsend's Warbler	Mr
_____	Black-throated Green Warbler	Mc
_____	Canada Warbler	Mu
_____	Wilson's Warbler	Mf, Wr
_____	Summer Tanager	Mf
_____	Scarlet Tanager	Mf
_____	Western Tanager	Mr
_____	Northern Cardinal	Rf
_____	Pyrrhuloxia	Ru
_____	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	Mf
_____	Blue Grosbeak	Mf
_____	Lazuli Bunting	Mr
_____	Indigo Bunting	Mc
_____	Painted Bunting	Mf, Sr
_____	Dickcissel	Mu

=====LEGEND=====

R-Resident year-round birds

M-Birds that migrate through the area in spring and fall

S-Summer resident-birds present during breeding season from March through October

W-Winter resident-birds present during the winter months from October through April

c-Common-likely to be found in proper habitat most trips

=====LEGEND CONT'D=====

f-Fairly common-found in proper habitat on one out of two trips

u-Uncommon-infrequently found even in proper habitat, or erratic

r-Rare-unlikely to be found; less than five reports per year

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Follows the 57th Supplement to AOU Checklist 2016

===SPECIALITY BIRDS===

The following are the frequently sought local specialties with information on how to find them.

Black-bellied Whistling Duck-fairly common resident, nests on freshwater ponds (1, 10, 12)

Mottled Duck-common resident, nests on freshwater ponds (1, 10, 12)

Least Grebe-irregular resident, nests in freshwater ponds (1, 12)

Northern Gannet-uncommon in winter (4)

Brown Booby-uncommon year-round (4, 11)

Neotropical Cormorant-common resident (1)

Magnificent Frigatebird-common in late summer and fall (1, 3,7,8)

Reddish Egret-common resident, nests on spoil islands (3, 7, 11)

Roseate Spoonbill-fairly common resident, nests on Shamrock Island (1, 7, 11)

White-tailed Hawk-resident, more common fall through winter (1, 8, 10)

Crested Caracara-fairly common resident, nest on Mustang Island (1, 2, 8)

Lesser Black-backed Gull-irregular in winter (on the beach)

Groove-billed Ani-irregular vagrant (1,6,12)

Buff-bellied Hummingbird-rare at feeders in late summer, fall and winter (in town)

Long-billed Thrasher-uncommon resident (6, 11)

Seaside Sparrow-fairly common resident, breeds on islands (6, 7,11)

LeConte's Sparrow-fairly common in winter (2, 5, 6, 7, 8)

Nelson's Sparrow-uncommon in winter (6, 8, 11)

BIRDS Of Port Aransas Mustang Island Texas

PORT ARANSAS BIRDING SITES

CODES

(1) Leonabelle Turnbull Birding Center

(2) Community Park Trail

(3) Wetland Birding Site, Hwy.361 South

(4) Jetty and Offshore

(5) University of Texas Marine Science Institute

(6) Port Aransas Nature Preserve at Charlie's Pasture

(7) Harbor Island and causeway to Aransas Pass

(8) San Jose Island

(9) Ferry

(10) State Hwy 361 South

(11) Shamrock Island and spoil islands in Aransas Bay and Redfish Bay

(12) Joan and Scott Holt Paradise Pond

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=SEASONAL CHECKLIST=

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	Rf	Long-billed Curlew	Rf	Tricolored Heron	Rc	Red-eyed Vireo	Mr
Fulvous Whistling-Duck	Mr	Hudsonian Godwit	Mr	Reddish Egret	Rf	Horned Lark	Rc
Snow Goose	Wu	Marbled Godwit	Wf	Cattle Egret	Mc	Bank Swallow	Mf
Greater White-fronted Goose	Wu	Ruddy Turnstone	Su, Wc	Green Heron Mc,	Wr	Tree Swallow	Mf
Canada Goose	Wr	Red Knot	Mf, Wr	Black-crowned Night-Heron	Rf	Northern Rough-winged Swallow	Mc
Blue-winged Teal	Wc	Stilt Sandpiper	Mf, Wr	Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	Mu	Purple Martin	Sc
Cinnamon Teal	Wr	Sanderling	Su, Wc	White Ibis	Rc	Barn Swallow	Sc
Northern Shoveler	Wc	Dunlin	Wc	White-faced Ibis	Rf	Cliff Swallow	Mc
Gadwall	Wf	Baird's Sandpiper	Mr	Roseate Spoonbill	Rf	Cave Swallow	Mu
American Wigeon	Wc	Least Sandpiper	Wc	Black Vulture	Rr	House Wren	Wf
Mottled Duck	Rf	White-rumped Sandpiper	Mf	Turkey Vulture	Rc	Sedge Wren	Wc
Northern Pintail	Wc	Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Mr	Osprey	Wc	Marsh Wren	Wc
Green-winged Teal	Wc	Pectoral Sandpiper	Mf	White-tailed Kite	Wr	Bewick's Wren	Rr
Canvasback	Wu	Semipalmated Sandpiper	Mf	Swallow-tailed Kite	Mr	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Mc, Wu
Redhead	Wc	Western Sandpiper	Wc	Mississippi Kite	Mu	Golden-crowned Kinglet	Mr
Ring-necked Duck	Wr	Short-billed Dowitcher	Wf	Northern Harrier	Wf	Ruby-crowned Kinglet Mc,	Wf
Greater Scaup	Wr	Long-billed Dowitcher	Wf	Sharp-shinned Hawk	Wu	Veery	Mf
Lesser Scaup	Wc	Wilson's snipe	Wf	Cooper's Hawk	Wu	Gray-cheeked Thrush	Mf
Bufflehead	Wc	Spotted Sandpiper	Wf	White-tailed Hawk	Ru	Swainson's Thrush	Mf
Common Goldeneye	Wc	Solitary Sandpiper	Wu	Broad-winged Hawk	Mu	Hermit Thrush	Mf,Wu
Red-breasted Merganser	Wc	Lesser Yellowlegs	Su, Wc	Swainson's Hawk	Mu	Wood Thrush	Mf
Ruddy Duck	Wc	Willet	Rc	Red-tailed Hawk	Wu	American Robin	Wu
Northern Bobwhite	Rr	Greater Yellowlegs	Su, Wc	Ferruginous Hawk	Wr	Gray Catbird	Mc, Wf
Least Grebe	Ru	Wilson's Phalarope	Mf	Barn Owl	Ru	Brown Thrasher	Wr
Pied-Billed Grebe	Rc	Pomarine Jaeger*	Wr	Great Horned Owl	Ru	Long-billed Thrasher	Rr
Eared Grebe	Wc	Parasitic Jaeger*	Wr	Short-eared Owl	Wr	Northern Mockingbird	Rc
Rock Pigeon	Rc	Bonaparte's Gull	Wu	Belted Kingfisher	Wf	European Starling	Rc
Eurasian Collared Dove	Rc	Laughing Gull	Rc	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Wu	Cedar Waxwing	Mf
Inca Dove	Rf	Franklin's Gull	Mf	Downy Woodpecker	Wr	House Sparrow	Rc
Common Ground-Dove	Rr	Ring-billed Gull	Wc	Ladder-backed Woodpecker	Ru	American Pipit	Wu
White-winged Dove	Ru	Herring Gull	Wf	Northern Flicker	Wu	Sprague's Pipit	Wu
Mourning Dove	Rc	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Wr	Crested Caracara	Wu	American Goldfinch	Wu
Groove-billed Ani	Mr	Least Tern	Sc	American Kestrel	Wc	Grasshopper Sparrow	Wu
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Mc	Gull-billed Tern	Rf	Merlin	Wf	Lark Sparrow	Mu
Black-billed Cuckoo	Mr	Caspian Tern	Rc	Peregrine Falcon	Wf	Chipping Sparrow	Wu
Lesser Nighthawk	Mr	Black Tern	Mc	Great Crested Flycatcher	Mf	Clay-colored Sparrow	Mu
Common Nighthawk	Sc	Common Tern	Mu	Brown-crested Flycatcher	Mr	Field Sparrow	Wu
Chuck-Will's Widow	Mu	Forster's Tern	Rc	Great Kiskadee	Ru	White-crowned Sparrow	Mu
Eastern Whip-Poor-Will	Mr	Royal Tern	Rc	Tropical Kingbird	Rr	White-throated Sparrow	Wr
Chimney Swift	Sc	Sandwich Tern	Sc,Wu	Couch's Kingbird	Ru	Vesper Sparrow	Wf
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Mc	Black Skimmer	Rc	Western Kingbird	Mu	LeConte's Sparrow	Wf
Black-chinned Hummingbird	Mu, Wr	Common Loon	Wf	Eastern Kingbird	Mc	Seaside Sparrow	Rf
Anna's Hummingbird	Wr	Magnificent Frigatebird	Su	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	Mc	Nelson's Sparrow	Wu
Rufous Hummingbird	Wu	Masked Booby*	Su	Olive-sided Flycatcher	Mf	Savannah Sparrow	Wc
Buff-bellied Hummingbird	Wr	Brown Booby*	Su	Eastern Wood Pewee	Mf	Song Sparrow	Wr
Black Rail	Mr	Northern Gannet*	Wu	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Mu	Lincoln's Sparrow	Wf
Clapper Rail	Rc	Anhinga	Mr	Acadian Flycatcher	Mu	Swamp Sparrow	Wf
King Rail	Rr	Double-crested Cormorant	Wc	Alder Flycatcher	Mu	Yellow-breasted Chat	Mf
Virginia Rail	Wu	Neotropical Cormorant	Rf	Willow Flycatcher	Mu	Yellow-headed Blackbird	Mu
Sora	Wf	American White Pelican	Su, Wc	Least Flycatcher	Mu	Bobolink	Mr
Purple Gallinule	Mu	Brown Pelican	Rc	Eastern Phoebe	Mf	Eastern Meadowlark	Rc
Common Gallinule	Rc	American Bittern	Wu	Vermillion Flycatcher	Mu	Western Meadowlark	Wr
American Coot	Rc	Least Bittern	Sf, Wu	Ash-throated Flycatcher	Mr	Orchard Oriole	Mc
Sandhill Crane	Wf	Great Blue Heron	Rc	Loggerhead Shrike	Rf	Bullock's Oriole	Mr
Whooping Crane	Wf	Great Egret	Rc	White-eyed Vireo	Mf, Wu	Baltimore Oriole	Mc
Black-necked Stilt	Rf	Snowy Egret	Rc	Yellow-throated Vireo	Mu	Red-winged Blackbird	Rc
American Avocet	Rc	Little Blue Heron	Su, Wf	Blue-headed Vireo	Mf	Bronzed Cowbird	Mr
American Oystercatcher	Rf			Philadelphia Vireo	Mf		