

# **Seasonal Status of the Birds of the Fraser Valley Regional District**

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## **Area Covered**

The Fraser Valley Birding checklist area encompasses the Upper Fraser Valley, parts of the Fraser Canyon and the Skagit Valley. The western boundary starts at the Canada – US Border and follows Bradner Road in Aldergrove and the eastern boundaries of Golden Ears and Garibaldi Provincial Parks. The northern boundary encompasses much of the Nahatlatch River watershed and crosses Highway #1 just outside Spuzzum with the northeastern boundary being the northern end of the Coquihalla Summit Recreation Area. The boundary then goes straight south with the eastern boundary including all of Hope but stops at the eastern boundary of the Hope Slide.

Manning Park and Boston Bar are no longer included in the checklist area.

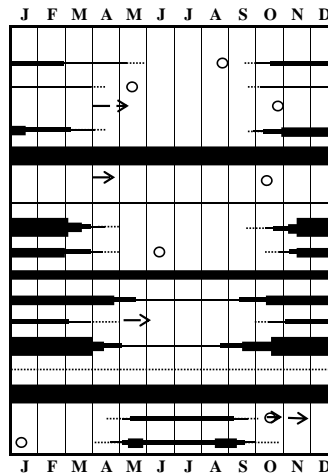
## **Report Rare Bird Sightings**

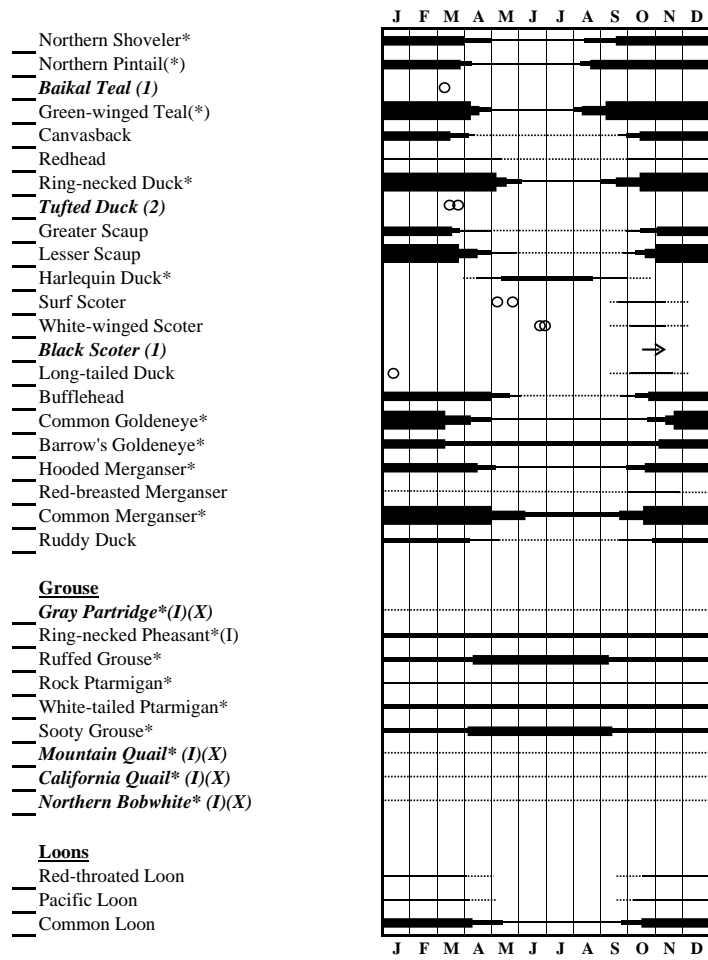
Please report all sightings for species that are out-of-season, that are considered rare, casual or accidental at any season, written in italics or are new for the checklist area by e-mailing the author of this checklist. Thank-you.

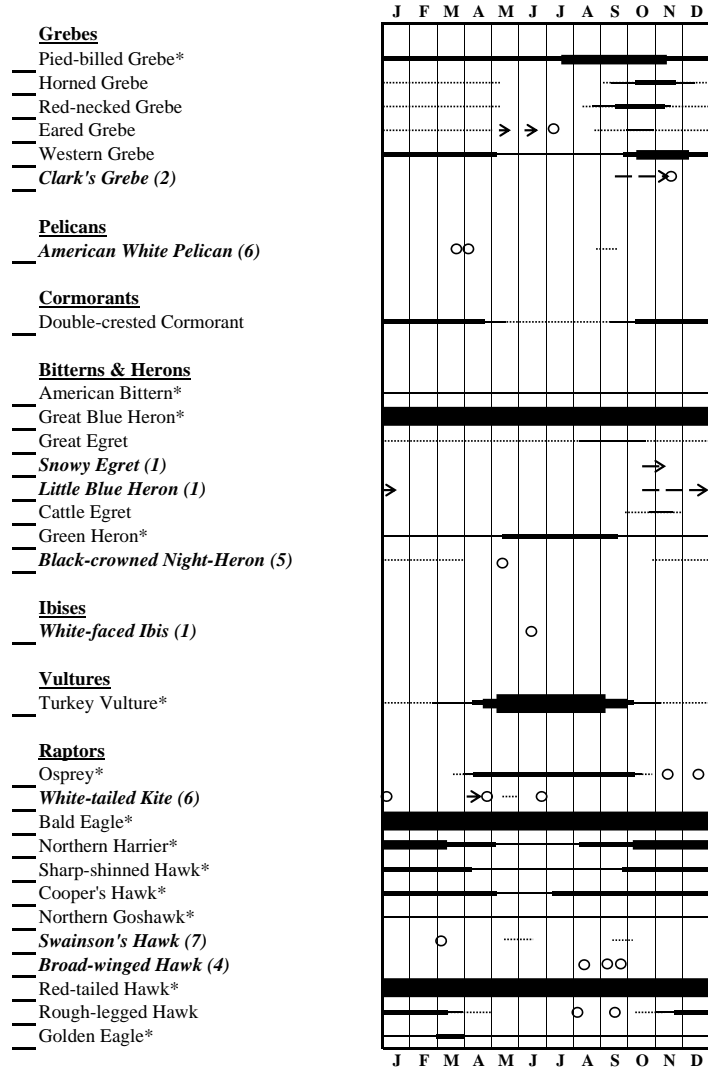
<b>Key:</b>		<b>Common:</b> 25+ seen or heard daily
		<b>Fairly common:</b> 5-25 seen/heard daily
		<b>Uncommon:</b> 0-5 seen or heard daily
		<b>Rare:</b> 1-10 records per year
		<b>Casual:</b> not seen every year (2-10 records)
		<b>Accidental:</b> single sighting of species (1-4 days)
	[X]	<b>Accidental:</b> duration of stay (5+ days)
	I	<b>Extirpated:</b> once a resident but no longer found in checklist area
	*	<b>Introduced:</b> species established for more than 10 years with a historically stable population
	(*)	<b>Known to nest</b> in checklist area
	(#)	<b>Suspected to nest</b> in checklist area
	sr	<b>The total number</b> of documented sightings in checklist area of a casual or accidental species [1 thru 9 are numbered]
		<b>Sight Record</b> either by a single observer or not photographed but documented by a written description

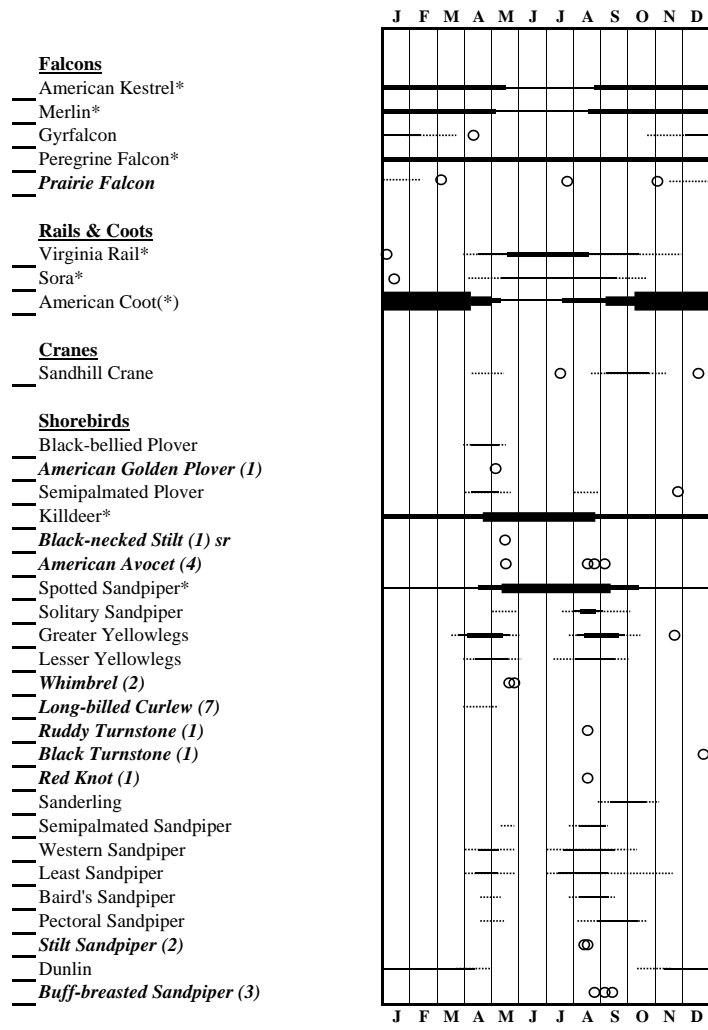
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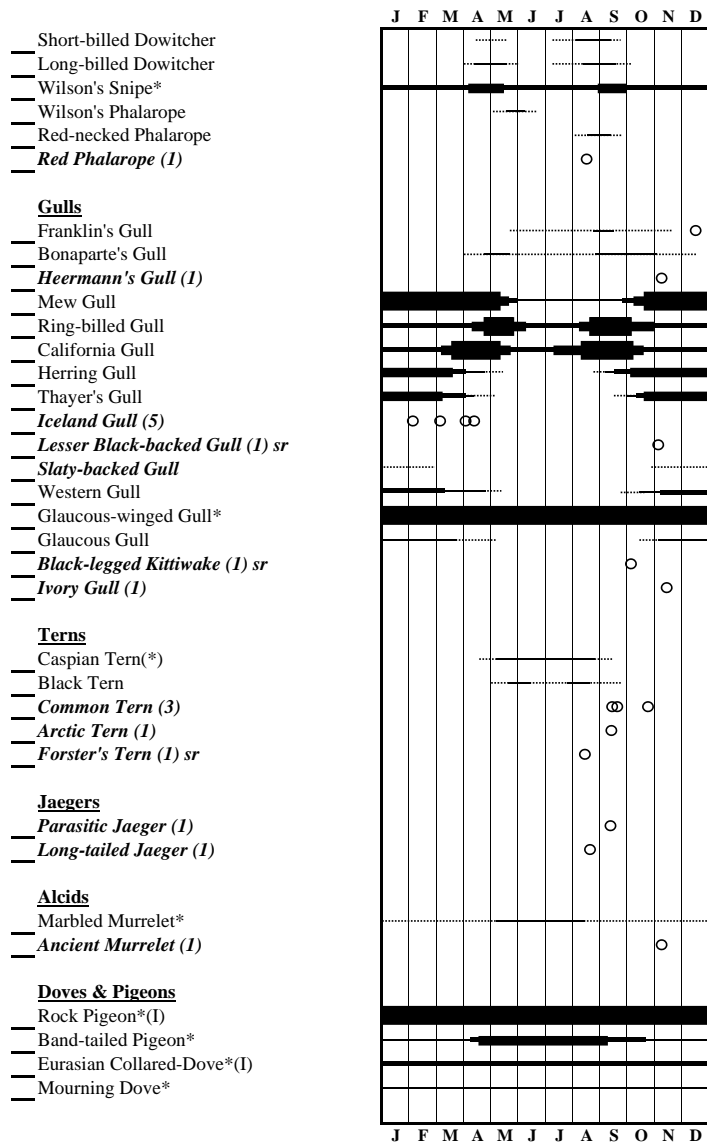
- Geese, Swans & Ducks**
- Greater White-fronted Goose
  - Snow Goose
  - Ross' Goose (2)*
  - Cackling Goose
  - Canada Goose\*
  - Brant (2)*
  - Mute Swan\*(I)
  - Trumpeter Swan
  - Tundra Swan
  - Wood Duck\*
  - Gadwall(\*)
  - Eurasian Wigeon
  - American Wigeon(\*)
  - American Black Duck(\*) (I)(X)*
  - Mallard\*
  - Blue-winged Teal\*
  - Cinnamon Teal\*











**Cuckoos**  
 Yellow-billed Cuckoo\* (X) (2 recent records)

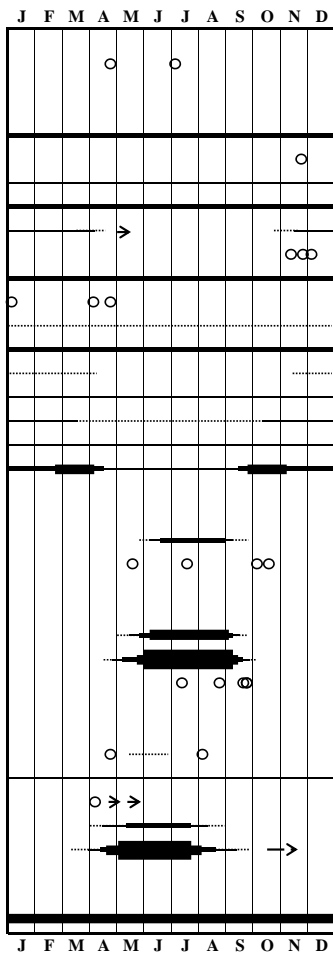
**Owls**  
 Barn Owl\*  
 Flammulated Owl (1)  
 Western Screech-Owl\*  
 Great Horned Owl\*  
 Snowy Owl  
 Northern Hawk-Owl (3)  
 Northern Pygmy-Owl\*  
 Burrowing Owl (3)  
 Spotted Owl\* (X)  
 Barred Owl\*  
 Great Gray Owl  
 Long-eared Owl(\*)  
 Short-eared Owl(\*)  
 Boreal Owl(\*)  
 Northern Saw-whet Owl\*

**Goatsuckers**  
 Common Nighthawk\*  
 Common Poorwill (4)

**Swifts**  
 Black Swift(\*)  
 Vaux's Swift\*  
 White-throated Swift (4) sr

**Hummingbirds**  
 Black-chinned Hummingbird (8)  
 Anna's Hummingbird\*  
 Costa's Hummingbird (3)  
 Calliope Hummingbird\*  
 Rufous Hummingbird\*

**Kingfishers**  
 Belted Kingfisher\*



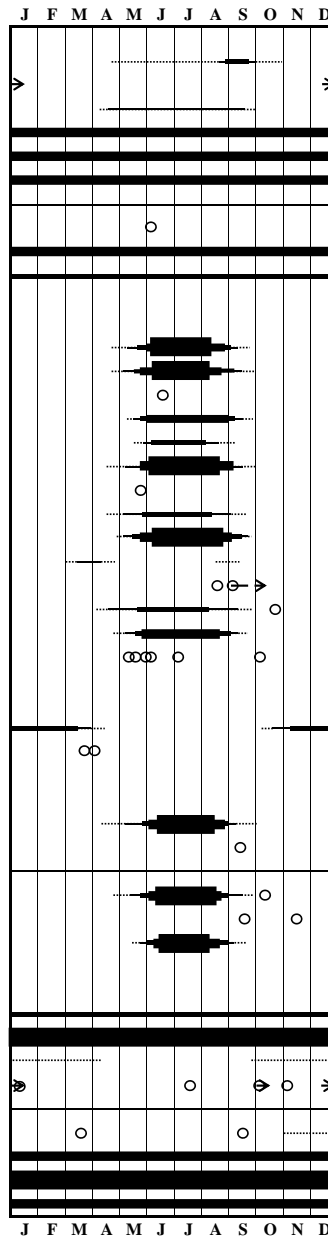
- Woodpeckers**
- Lewis's Woodpecker\* (X)
  - **Acorn Woodpecker (1)**
  - Red-naped Sapsucker\*
  - Red-breasted Sapsucker\*
  - Downy Woodpecker\*
  - Hairy Woodpecker\*
  - American Three-toed Woodpecker\*
  - **Black-backed Woodpecker (1) sr**
  - Northern Flicker\*
  - Pileated Woodpecker\*

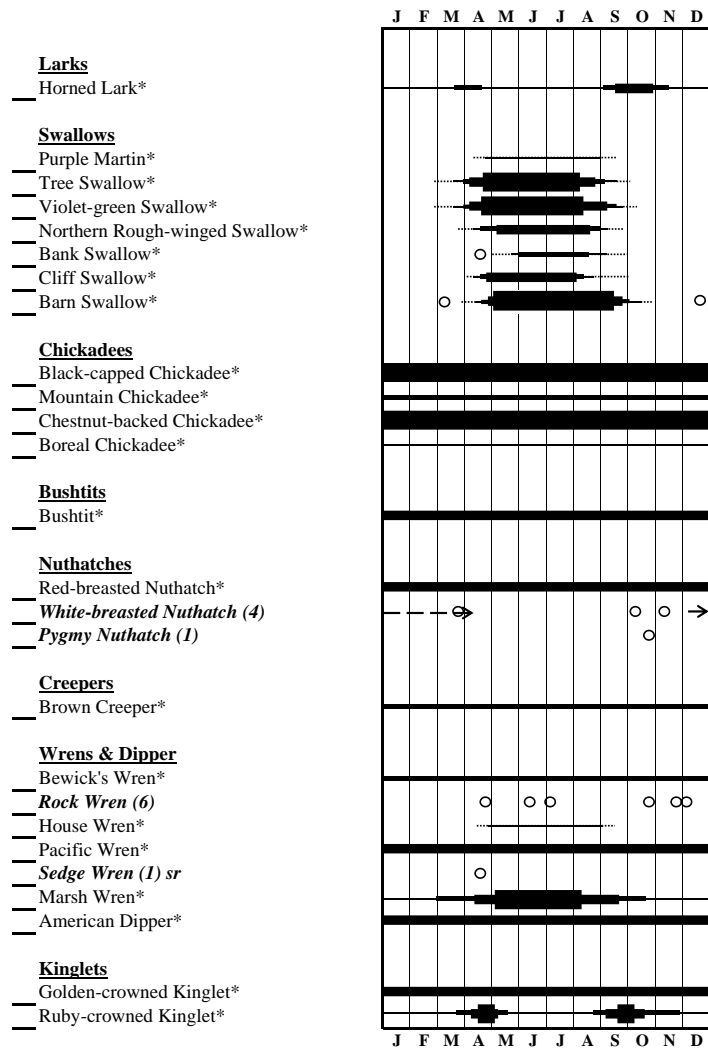
- Flycatchers**
- Olive-sided Flycatcher\*
  - Western Wood-Pewee\*
  - **Alder Flycatcher (1)**
  - Willow Flycatcher\*
  - Least Flycatcher\*
  - Hammond's Flycatcher\*
  - **Gray Flycatcher (1)**
  - Dusky Flycatcher\*
  - Pacific-slope Flycatcher\*
  - Say's Phoebe
  - **Ash-throated Flycatcher (3)**
  - Western Kingbird\*
  - Eastern Kingbird\*
  - **Scissor-tailed Flycatcher (6)**

- Shrikes**
- Northern Shrike
  - **Loggerhead Shrike (2)**

- Vireos**
- Cassin's Vireo\*
  - **Blue-headed Vireo (1) sr**
  - Hutton's Vireo\*
  - Warbling Vireo\*
  - **Philadelphia Vireo (2)**
  - Red-eyed Vireo\*

- Corvids**
- Gray Jay\*
  - Steller's Jay\*
  - **Blue Jay (8)**
  - **Western Scrub-Jay (6)**
  - Clark's Nutcracker\*
  - **Black-billed Magpie (6)**
  - American Crow\*
  - Northwestern Crow\*
  - Common Raven\*





**Gnatcatcher**  
 Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (1) sr

**Thrushes**  
 Western Bluebird\* (X)(8 recent records)  
 Mountain Bluebird\*  
 Townsend's Solitaire\*  
 Veery(\*)  
 Swainson's Thrush\*  
 Hermit Thrush\*  
 American Robin\*  
 Varied Thrush\*

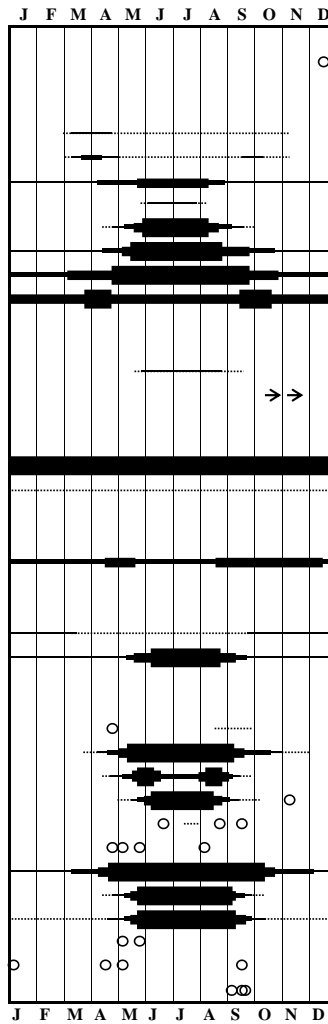
**Mimic Thrushes**  
 Gray Catbird\*  
 Northern Mockingbird (2)

**Starlings**  
 European Starling\*(I)  
 Crested Myna\* (I)(X)

**Wagtails & Pipits**  
 American Pipit\*

**Waxwings**  
 Bohemian Waxwing  
 Cedar Waxwing\*

**Warblers**  
 Tennessee Warbler (8)  
 Orange-crowned Warbler\*  
 Nashville Warbler\*  
 Yellow Warbler\*  
 Chestnut-sided Warbler (5) sr  
 Magnolia Warbler (4)  
 Yellow-rumped Warbler\*  
 Black-throated Gray Warbler\*  
 Townsend's Warbler\*  
 Hermit Warbler (2) sr  
 Palm Warbler (4)  
 Blackpoll Warbler (3)



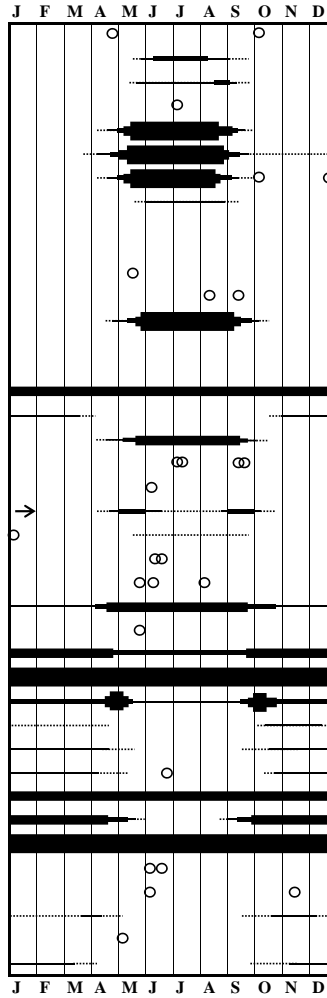
- *Black and White Warbler (2)*
- American Redstart\*
- Northern Waterthrush(\*)
- *Mourning Warbler (1) sr*
- MacGillivray's Warbler\*
- Common Yellowthroat\*
- Wilson's Warbler\*
- Yellow-breasted Chat\*

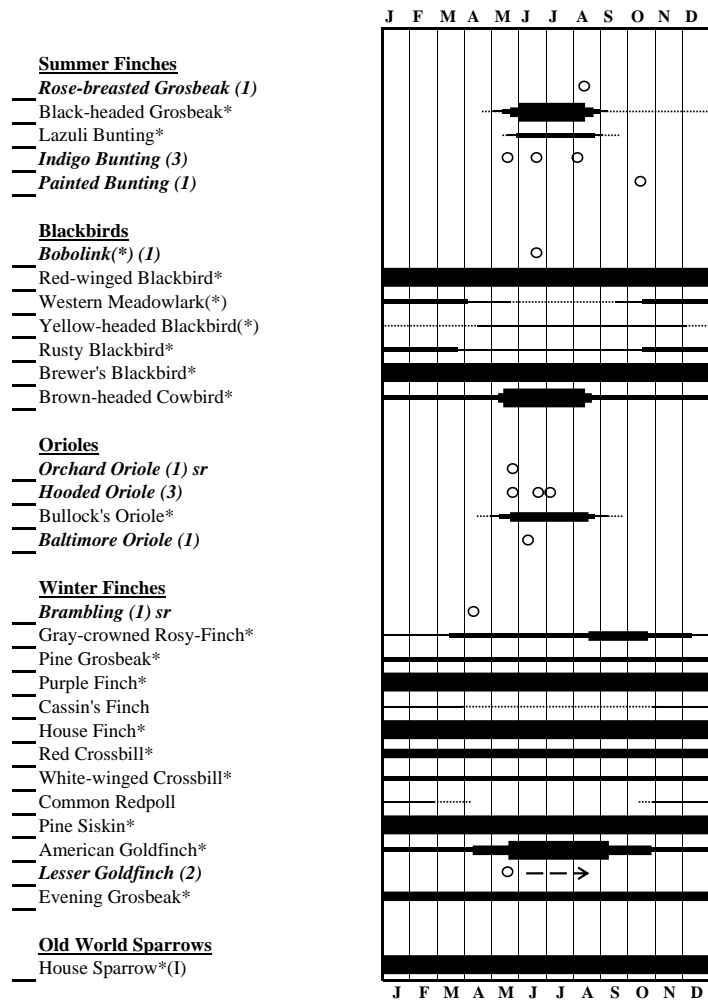
**Tanagers**

- *Summer Tanager (1) sr*
- *Scarlet Tanager (2)*
- Western Tanager\*

**Sparrows**

- Spotted Towhee\*
- American Tree Sparrow
- Chipping Sparrow\*
- *Clay-colored Sparrow (4)*
- *Brewer's Sparrow (1)*
- Vesper Sparrow\*
- *Lark Sparrow(\*)*
- *Black-throated Sparrow (2) sr*
- *Lark Bunting (3)*
- Savannah Sparrow\*
- *Grasshopper Sparrow (1) sr*
- Fox Sparrow\*
- Song Sparrow\*
- Lincoln's Sparrow\*
- Swamp Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow
- Harris' Sparrow
- White-crowned Sparrow\*
- Golden-crowned Sparrow
- Dark-eyed Junco\*
- *McCown's Longspur (2)*
- *Chestnut-collared Longspur (2)*
- Lapland Longspur
- *Rustic Bunting (1) sr*
- Snow Bunting





Total: 335 species, including 162 breeding species, 16 suspected breeding species, 10 Extirpated species, 12 introduced species, 87 species seen less than once per year and 15 species represented by sight records only.

Observer \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Time \_\_\_\_\_

Locality \_\_\_\_\_

Notes \_\_\_\_\_

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**Unconfirmed Species**

Brown Pelican

Red-shouldered Hawk

Sabine's Gull

White Wagtail

Black-throated Blue Warbler

Smith's Longspur

Hoary Redpoll

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