

Beginners Checklist of Birds for the Heart of the Delta

Bethel Island, Lowlands Byron to Brannan Island Park Sacramento, San Joaquin, Contra Costa County, California

Ducks - Geese - Swans

- Tundra Swan WM
- Greater White-fronted Goose WM
- Snow Goose W
- Ross's Goose W
- Canada Goose R *
- Cackling Goose WM
- Wood Duck R *
- American Wigeon WM
- Gadwall R *
- Mallard Duck R *
- Cinnamon Teal M
- Northern Shoveler W
- Northern Pintail W
- Green-winged Teal M
- Canvasback W
- Redhead WM
- Greater Scaup WM
- Lesser Scaup WM
- Bufflehead WM
- Ruddy Duck R *

Grouse - Quail and Allies

- Ring-necked Pheasant R *
- California Quail R *
- Wild Turkey R *

Loons

- Common Loon W

Grebes

- Pied Billed Grebe R *
- Western Grebe R *
- Clark's Grebe R *
- Eared Grebe W

Cormorants

- Double-crested Cormorant R *

Pelicans - Herons - Ibises and Allies

- American White Pelican R *
- American Bittern R *
- Least Bittern S *
- Great Blue Heron R *
- Cattle Egret R *
- Snowy Egret R *
- Great Egret R *
- Green Heron R *
- Black-crowned Night Heron R *
- White-faced Ibis R *

Hawks - Kites - Eagles and Allies

- Turkey Vulture R *
- Osprey R *
- White-tailed Kite R *
- Golden Eagle WM
- Bald Eagle WM
- Northern Harrier R *
- Sharp-shinned Hawk WM
- Coopers Hawk R *
- Red-shouldered Hawk WM
- Ferruginous Hawk WM
- Rough-legged Hawk W
- Red-tailed Hawk R *
- American Kestrel R *
- Merlin W
- Prairie Falcon R *
- Peregrine Falcon R *

Cranes - Rails

- Sora W
- Virginia Rail W
- Common Gallinule R *
- American Coot R *WM
- Sandhill Crane W

Shorebirds

- Black-bellied Plover M
- Killdeer R *
- Semi-palmated Plover WM
- Black-necked Stilt W
- American Avocet W
- Greater Yellowlegs WM
- Lesser Yellowlegs M
- Spotted Sandpiper M
- Long-billed Curlew W
- Western Sandpiper M
- Least Sandpiper WM
- Dunlin W
- Short-billed Dowitcher M
- Long-billed Dowitcher WM
- Wilson's Snipe W
- Wilson's Phalarope M
- Northern Phalarope M

Gulls - Terns

- Sabine's Gull M
- Mew Gull W
- Ring-billed Gull WM
- California Gull R *
- Herring Gull W
- Glaucous-winged Gull W
- Least Tern R *
- Black Tern M
- Forster's Tern R *
- Caspian Tern R *

Pigeons - Doves

- Rock Pigeon R *
- Mourning Dove R *

Owls

- Barn Owl R *
- Great Horned Owl R *
- Western Screech-Owl R *
- Northern Saw-whet Owl W
- Burrowing Owl R *

Goatsuckers

- Lesser Nighthawk S *

Swifts

- Vaux's Swift M
- White-throated Swift M

Hummingbirds

- Black-chinned Hummingbird S *
- Anna's Hummingbird R *
- Allen's Hummingbird M

Kingfishers

- Belted Kingfisher R *

Woodpeckers

- Acorn Woodpecker R *
- Nuttall's Woodpecker R *
- Hairy Woodpecker M
- Downy Woodpecker R *
- Northern (Red-shafted) Flicker R *

Flycatchers - Shrikes - Vireos

- Western Wood Pewee M
- Willow Flycatcher M
- Black Phoebe R *
- Say's Phoebe W
- Western Kingbird S *
- Loggerhead Shrike R *
- Cassin's Vireo M
- Warbling Vireo M

Crows - Jays

- Western Scrub Jay R *
- Yellow-billed Magpie R *
- American Crow R *
- Common Raven R *

Swallows

- Purple Martin S *
- Tree Swallow S *M
- Violet-green Swallow M
- Barn Swallow S *MW
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow S *
- Cliff Swallow S *MW

Chickadees - Nuthatches and their Allies

- Oak Titmouse R *
- Bushtit R *
- White-breasted Nuthatch R *
- Bewick's Wren R *
- House Wren S *
- Marsh Wren R *
- Golden-crowned Kinglet W
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet WM
- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher WM

Thrushes - Mockingbird - Silky Flycatchers

- Townsend's Solitaire R *
- Hermit Thrush W
- American Robin R *
- Varied Thrush W
- Northern Mockingbird R *
- American Pipit W
- Phainopepla W

Warblers and their Allies

- Orange-crowned Warbler WM
- Nashville Warbler M
- Yellow Warbler WM
- Audubon's Yellow-rumped Warbler W
- Black-throated Gray Warbler M
- Townsend's Warbler WM
- Hermit Warbler M
- MacGillivray's Warbler M
- Common Yellowthroat R *
- Yellow-breasted Chat S *

Towhees - Sparrows - Juncos

- Spotted Towhee R *
- California Towhee R *
- Chipping Sparrow M
- Lincoln's Sparrow W
- Song Sparrow R *
- Fox Sparrow W
- White Crowned Sparrow W
- Golden Crowned Sparrow W
- Dark-eyed (Oregon) Junco W

Grosbeak - Tanager - Bunting

- Western Tanager WM
- Black-headed Grosbeak S *
- Blue Grosbeak S *
- Lazuli Bunting S *

Blackbirds and their Allies

- Western Meadowlark R *
- Red-winged Blackbird R *
- Tri-colored Blackbird R *
- Yellow headed Blackbird S *
- Brewer's Blackbird R *
- Great-tailed Grackle M
- Brown-headed Cowbird S *
- Hooded Oriole S *

Finches

- House Finch R *
- American Goldfinch S *

173 birds