

The likelihood of locating a given species:

**a** - always present in suitable habitat

**c** - common, usually found in suitable habitat

**u** - uncommon, present in suitable habitat but not always found

**o** - occasional, not always present

**r** - rare, not found every year

**Sp** - spring = March - May

**S** - summer = June - July

**F** - fall = August - November

**W** - winter = December - February

**b** - Species that are known or believed to breed in the area are designated with a "b".

**WL** - Audubon WatchList species. See the Audubon webpage for more information:

[www.audubon.org](http://www.audubon.org)

	<b>b</b>	<b>Sp</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Swans, Geese and Ducks</b>					
Gr White-fr Goose		r		r	
Snow Goose		r		r	
Canada Goose	b	a	c	a	a
Trumpeter Swan <b>WL</b>		r		r	r
Tundra Swan		c	o	c	o
Wood Duck	b	c	c	c	r
Gadwall	b	u	u	u	u
Eurasian Wigeon		o		r	r
American Wigeon		c	u	c	c
Mallard	b	a	a	a	a
Blue-winged Teal	b	u	u	o	
Cinnamon Teal	b	c	c	c	
Northern Shoveler	b	c	u	c	r
Northern Pintail	b	c	o	c	c
Green-winged Teal	b	c	c	c	o
Canvasback		u	r	u	o
Redhead	b	c	u	c	c
Ring-necked Duck	b	c	u	c	c
Greater Scaup		o		o	o
Lesser Scaup	b	u	u	u	u
Surf Scoter				r	r
White-winged Scoter		r		r	r
Long-tailed Duck		r		r	r
Bufflehead		c	o	c	c
Common Goldeneye		c	o	c	c
Barrow's Goldeneye		u	r	u	u

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Hooded Merganser	b	u	u	u	u
Common Merganser	b	c	c	c	c
Ruddy Duck	b	u	u	u	
<b>Game Birds</b>					
Gray Partridge		o	o	o	o
Ring-nk Pheasant	b	u	u	u	u
Ruffed Grouse	b	u	u	u	u
Wild Turkey	b	u	u	u	u
California Quail	b	u	u	u	u
<b>Loon and Grebes</b>					
Common Loon		u	r	u	u
Pied-billed Grebe	b	c	c	c	c
Horned Grebe		u		c	c
Red-necked Grebe	b	c	c	c	u
Eared Grebe		o		o	o
Western Grebe	b	u	c	c	u
Clark's Grebe	b	o	u	u	o
<b>Pelican, Cormorant and Heron</b>					
Am White Pelican		o	r	o	
DbI-cr Comorant		u	u	u	u
Great Blue Heron	b	c	c	c	c
<b>Vulture, Hawks and Eagles</b>					
Turkey Vulture		u	u	u	
Osprey	b	c	c	u	
Bald Eagle	b	u	u	u	u
Northern Harrier	b	u	u	u	u
Sharp-shinned Hawk	b	u	u	u	u
Cooper's Hawk	b	u	u	u	u
Red-tailed Hawk	b	c	c	c	c
Rough-legged Hawk		o		u	u
Golden Eagle		r	r	r	r
American Kestrel	b	c	c	c	r
Merlin		o		o	o
<b>Rails and Coot</b>					
Virginia Rail	b	o	o		
Sora	b	u	u		
American Coot	b	c	c	c	c
<b>Shorebirds</b>					
Semipalm Plover		r		r	
Killdeer	b	c	c	c	u
Black-necked Stilt		r			
American Avocet		r			
Greater Yellowlegs		u	o	u	

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Lesser Yellowlegs		u	o	u	
Solitary Sandpiper		u		u	
Spotted Sandpiper	b	u	u	u	
Semipalm Sandpiper				o	
Western Sandpiper				u	
Least Sandpiper		o	u	u	
Baird's Sandpiper		o	u	u	
Pectoral Sandpiper				o	
Shrt-bl Dowitcher <b>WL</b>		r		o	
Long-bl Dowitcher		u	r	u	
Wilson's Snipe	b	u	u	u	r
Wilson's Phalarope <b>WL</b>		u	o	u	
Red-nk Phalarope				r	
<b>Gulls and Terns</b>					
Bonaparte's Gull		o	o	o	r
Ring-billed Gull		c	u	c	c
California Gull		u	o	u	u
Am Herring Gull		u		u	u
Caspian Tern		r		r	
Black Tern	b	c	c		
<b>Pigeon and Dove</b>					
Rock Pigeon	b	u	u	u	u
Mourning Dove	b	c	c	c	u
<b>Owls and Nighthawk</b>					
Great Horned Owl	b	o	o	o	o
Northern Pygmy-Owl	b	o		o	u
Barred Owl	b	o	o	o	o
Common Nighthawk	b	o	c	o	
<b>Swift and Hummingbirds</b>					
Vaux's Swift	b	c	c	u	
Blk-chinned Humbd	b	c	c	u	
Calliope Humbd <b>WL</b>	b	c	c	u	
Rufous Humbd <b>WL</b>	b	c	c	u	
<b>Kingfisher</b>					
Belted Kingfisher	b	c	c	c	c
<b>Woodpeckers</b>					
Red-np Sapsucker	b	u	u	u	
Downy Woodpecker	b	u	u	u	u
Hairy Woodpecker	b	u	u	u	u
Am Three-toed Wpkr		r		r	
Black-backed Wpkr	b	r	r	r	r
Northern Flicker	b	c	c	c	c
Pileated Woodpecker	b	u	u	u	u

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<b>Tyrant Flycatchers</b>					
Olv-sd Flycatch <b>WL</b>	b	u	u	o	
W Wood-Pewee	b	c	c	u	
Willow Flycatch <b>WL</b>	b	u	u	u	
Least Flycatcher			o		
Hammond's Flycatcher	b	c	c	o	
Dusky Flycatcher	b	o	o	o	
Western Flycatcher	b	c	c	o	
Eastern Kingbird	b	c	c	c	
<b>Shrike and Vireos</b>					
Northern Shrike		o		o	o
Cassin's Vireo	b	u	c	o	
Warbling Vireo	b	u	c	o	
Red-eyed Vireo	b	u	c	o	
<b>Corvids</b>					
Gray Jay		o	r	o	o
Steller's Jay	b	u	u	u	u
Clark's Nutcracker		o		o	o
Black-billed Magpie	b	c	c	c	c
American Crow	b	u	u	u	u
Common Raven	b	c	c	c	c
<b>Swallows</b>					
Tree Swallow	b	a	a	c	
Violet-green Swallow	b	a	a	c	
N Rough-w Swallow	b	c	c	u	
Bank Swallow	b	u	u	o	
Cliff Swallow	b	c	c	u	
Barn Swallow	b	c	c	u	
<b>Chickadees and Nuthatches</b>					
Black-cap Chickadee	b	c	c	c	c
Mountain Chickadee	b	u	u	u	u
Chestnut-bk Chkdee	b	u	u	u	u
Red-br Nuthatch	b	c	c	c	c
White-br Nuthatch	b	o	o	o	o
Pygmy Nuthatch	b	u	u	u	u
<b>Creeper</b>					
Brown Creeper	b	o	o	o	o
<b>Wrens and Dipper</b>					
Rock Wren	b		o		
Bewick's Wren	b	o	o	o	o
House Wren	b	u	u	o	
Winter Wren	b	u	u	u	u
Marsh Wren	b	o	o	o	r



## CHECKLIST OF BIRDS

### TRAIL OF THE COEUR D'ALENES

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Species: \_\_\_\_\_

The Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes traverses a diverse array of habitats, including some of the best birding locales in North Idaho. Ranging over 1100' feet in elevation, from the shore of Coeur d'Alene Lake at 2150' to the mixed conifer forest around Mullan at 3250', and including wetlands, agricultural fields, urban streetscapes, cottonwood groves, and deep water, the Trail bisects all the major low-elevation habitat types found in North Idaho. This habitat profile yields a potential list of 189 species, plus an additional 48 very rare species.

There is a subtext though, to this diverse landscape. Much of the floodplain of the Coeur d'Alene River is contaminated by tailings from the silver-lead-zinc mines of the famous Coeur d'Alene mining district. Some of the effects on birds are obvious, such as dead waterfowl including Tundra Swan, Canada Goose, Mallard, and eight other species. These birds die of lead poisoning from ingesting contaminated sediments as they feed on wetland plants. But unseen effects, such as physiological injuries and elevated blood lead levels are also seen in the songbirds that inhabit the Coeur d'Alene floodplain. For more information, visit the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service website at [www.fws.gov/easternwashington](http://www.fws.gov/easternwashington)

### PLEASE RESPECT THE "PERSONAL SPACE" OF WILDLIFE

Use your binoculars to view wildlife at a non-threatening distance. Watch for signs that you are **too close** to a bird:

- repeated flushing and short flights
- raised head, looking at observers
- alarm calls or repeated chirping
- "broken wing" distraction displays
- diving and swooping at observer

Do not handle **baby birds** (except to move a bird to the side of the Trail to prevent it from being run over). The parents are probably hiding nearby, waiting for you to go away. Leave **injured birds** where you find them. Injured raptors should be reported to Idaho Fish & Game (208) 769-1414.

### YOU CAN HELP

Visit the national **Audubon** website at [www.audubon.org](http://www.audubon.org) for simple steps you can take in your daily life to **improve the environment** for wildlife, as well as yourself, your family and your pets.

### MORE INFORMATION FOR BIRDERS

You can help to keep this checklist up-to-date by reporting your sightings to Lisa Hardy at [ish28@cornell.edu](mailto:ish28@cornell.edu) or by mail to Coeur d'Alene Audubon. Visit our webpage for more information about birds and birding activities in our area. Good Birding!

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	b	Sp	S	F	W
Dark-eyed Junco	b	c	c	c	c
Blk-hd Grosbeak	b	c	c	r	
Lazuli Bunting	b	u	u	o	
<b>Blackbirds and allies</b>					
Bobolink	b	r	o	r	
Red-wg Blackbird	b	a	a	c	o
Western Meadowlark	b	c	c	u	o
Yellow-hd Blackbird	b	c	c	o	
Brewer's Blackbird	b	u	u	r	r
Brown-hd Cowbird	b	c	c	u	
Bullock's Oriole	b	u	u	o	
<b>Finches and allies</b>					
Pine Grosbeak					r
Cassin's Finch	b	u	u	u	u
House Finch	b	c	c	c	c
Red Crossbill	b	u	u	u	u
Common Redpoll		o			o
Pine Siskin	b	u	u	u	u
American Goldfinch	b	u	u	u	o
Evening Grosbeak	b	u	u	u	u
<b>Weaver Finch</b>					
House Sparrow	b	c	c	c	c

An additional 48 species are considered very rare along the Trail and should be documented and reported (see below): Ross's Goose, Cackling Goose, Red-breasted Merganser, Red-throated Loon, Pacific Loon, Yellow-billed Loon (WL), American Bittern, Great Egret, Black-crowned Night-Heron, White-faced Ibis, Northern Goshawk, Swainson's Hawk (WL), Prairie Falcon, Peregrine Falcon, Sandhill Crane, American Golden-Plover (WL), Willet, Marbled Godwit (WL), Sanderling, Dunlin, Stilt Sandpiper, Franklin's Gull, Mew Gull, Thayer's Gull, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Glaucous-winged Gull, Glaucous Gull, Sabine's Gull, Common Tern, Forster's Tern, Band-tailed Pigeon (WL), Northern Hawk Owl, Long-eared Owl, Short-eared Owl (WL), Northern Saw-whet Owl, Black Swift (WL), Lewis's Woodpecker (WL), Williamson's Sapsucker, Say's Phoebe, Horned Lark, Palm Warbler, Clay-colored Sparrow, Vesper Sparrow, Grasshopper Sparrow, Swamp Sparrow, Snow Bunting, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch.

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American Dipper	b	o	o	o	o
<b>Kinglets</b>					
Golden-cr Kinglet	b	u	u	u	u
Ruby-cr Kinglet	b	u	u	u	r
<b>Thrushes</b>					
Western Bluebird	b	u	u	o	
Mountain Bluebird	b	u	u	o	
Townsend's Solitaire	b	u	u	u	u
Veery	b	o	o		
Swainson's Thrush	b	u	c	r	
Hermit Thrush		o		o	
American Robin	b	c	c	c	u
Varied Thrush	b	u	u	u	o
<b>Catbird, Starling, Pipit</b>					
Gray Catbird	b	c	c	u	
European Starling	b	c	c	c	c
American Pipit		r		o	
<b>Waxwings</b>					
Bohemian Waxwing		r		u	u
Cedar Waxwing	b	u	u	u	u
<b>Wood Warblers</b>					
Orange-cr Warbler	b	u	u	o	
Nashville Warbler	b	u	u	o	
Yellow Warbler	b	c	c	u	
Yellow-rmp Warbler	b	c	c	o	
Townsend's Warbler	b	c	c	o	
American Redstart	b	u	u	o	
N Waterthrush	b	u	u	o	
MacGillivray's Warb	b	u	u	o	
Com Yellowthroat	b	u	c	o	
Wilson's Warbler	b	o	o	o	
<b>Tanager</b>					
Western Tanager	b	c	c	o	r
<b>Sparrows and allies</b>					
Spotted Towhee	b	c	c	o	r
Am Tree Sparrow		r		r	o
Chipping Sparrow	b	c	c	c	
Savannah Sparrow	b	u	u	o	
Fox Sparrow	b	u	u	u	
Song Sparrow	b	c	c	c	u
Lincoln's Sparrow			r	o	
White-thr Sparrow		r		r	r
White-cr Sparrow		u		u	u