

Taxonomic List of Utah Birds

According to the 7th American Ornithologist's Union Check-list of North American Birds and the 42nd supplements of that Check-list

(I) = introduced species

Outline Structure:

ORDER (-FORMES)

FAMILY (-DAE)

Subfamily (-nae)

Genus species Common Name

GAVIIFORMES

GAVIIDAE

- Gavia stellata* Red-throated Loon
- Gavia pacifica* Pacific Loon
- Gavia immer* Common Loon
- Gavia adamsii* Yellow-billed Loon

PODICIPEDIFORMES

PODICIPEDIDAE

- Podilymbus podiceps* Pied-billed Grebe
- Podiceps auritus* Horned Grebe
- Podiceps grisegena* Red-necked Grebe
- Podiceps nigricollis* Eared Grebe
- Aechmophorus occidentalis* Western Grebe
- Aechmophorus clarkii* Clark's Grebe

PELECANIFORMES

PELECANIDAE

- Pelecanus erythrorhynchos* American White Pelican
- Pelecanus occidentalis* Brown Pelican

PHALACROCORACIDAE

- Phalacrocorax auritus* Double-crested Cormorant

FREGATIDAE

- Fregata magnificens* Magnificent Frigatebird

CICONIIFORMES

ARDEIDAE

- Botaurus lentiginosus* American Bittern
- Ixobrychus exilis* Least Bittern
- Ardea herodias* Great Blue Heron
- Ardea alba* Great Egret
- Egretta thula* Snowy Egret
- Egretta caerulea* Little Blue Heron
- Egretta tricolor* Tricolored Heron
- Bubulcus ibis* Cattle Egret
- Butorides virescens* Green Heron
- Nycticorax nycticorax* Black-crowned Night-Heron
- Nyctanassa violacea* Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

THRESKIORNITHIDAE

Threskiornithinae

- Plegadis chihi* White-faced Ibis

Plataleinae

- Ajaia ajaja* Roseate Spoonbill

CICONIIDAE

- Mycteria americana* Wood Stork

CATHARTIDAE

- Cathartes aura* Turkey Vulture

ANSERIFORMES

ANATIDAE

Dendrocygnae

- Dendrocygna bicolor* Fulvous Whistling-Duck

Anserinae

- Anser albifrons* Greater White-fronted Goose
- Chen caerulescens* Snow Goose
- Chen rossii* Ross's Goose
- Branta canadensis* Canada Goose
- Branta bernicla* Brant
- Cygnus buccinator* Trumpeter Swan
- Cygnus columbianus* Tundra Swan

Anatinae

- Aix sponsa* Wood Duck
- Anas strepera* Gadwall
- Anas penelope* Eurasian Wigeon
- Anas americana* American Wigeon
- Anas rubripes* American Black Duck
- Anas platyrhynchos* Mallard
- Anas discors* Blue-winged Teal
- Anas cyanoptera* Cinnamon Teal
- Anas clypeata* Northern Shoveler
- Anas acuta* Northern Pintail
- Anas querquedula* Garganey
- Anas crecca* Green-winged Teal
- Aythya valisineria* Canvasback
- Aythya americana* Redhead
- Aythya collaris* Ring-necked Duck
- Aythya marila* Greater Scaup
- Aythya affinis* Lesser Scaup
- Histrionicus histrionicus* Harlequin Duck
- Melanitta perspicillata* Surf Scoter
- Melanitta fusca* White-winged Scoter
- Melanitta nigra* Black Scoter
- Clangula hyemalis* Long-tailed Duck (Oldsquaw)
- Bucephala albeola* Bufflehead
- Bucephala clangula* Common Goldeneye
- Bucephala islandica* Barrow's Goldeneye
- Lophodytes cucullatus* Hooded Merganser

Mergus merganser Common Merganser
Mergus serrator Red-breasted Merganser
Oxyura jamaicensis Ruddy Duck

FALCONIFORMES

ACCIPITRIDAE

Pandioninae

Pandion haliaetus Osprey

Accipitrinae

Elanus leucurus White-tailed Kite
Haliaeetus leucocephalus Bald Eagle
Circus cyaneus Northern Harrier
Accipiter striatus Sharp-shinned Hawk
Accipiter cooperii Cooper's Hawk
Accipiter gentilis Northern Goshawk
Buteogallus anthracinus Common Black-Hawk
Buteo lineatus Red-shouldered Hawk
Buteo platypterus Broad-winged Hawk
Buteo swainsoni Swainson's Hawk
Buteo albonotatus Zone-tailed Hawk
Buteo jamaicensis Red-tailed Hawk
Buteo regalis Ferruginous Hawk
Buteo lagopus Rough-legged Hawk
Aquila chrysaetos Golden Eagle

FALCONIDAE

Falconinae

Falco sparverius American Kestrel
Falco columbarius Merlin
Falco rusticolus Gyrfalcon
Falco peregrinus Peregrine Falcon
Falco mexicanus Prairie Falcon

GALLIFORMES

PHASIANIDAE

Phasianinae

Alectoris chukar Chukar (I)
Perdix perdix Gray Partridge (I)
Phasianus colchicus Ring-necked Pheasant (I)

Tetraoninae

Bonasa umbellus Ruffed Grouse
Centrocercus urophasianus Greater Sage-Grouse
Centrocercus minimus Gunnison Sage- Grouse
Lagopus leucurus White-tailed Ptarmigan
Dendragapus obscurus Blue Grouse
Tympanuchus phasianellus Sharp-tailed Grouse

Meleagridinae

Meleagris gallopavo Wild Turkey

ODONTOPHORIDAE

Callipepla squamata Scaled Quail
Callipepla californica California Quail
Callipepla gambelii Gambel's Quail

GRUIFORMES

RALLIDAE

Rallus limicola Virginia Rail
Porzana carolina Sora
Porphyryla martinica Purple Gallinule
Gallinula chloropus Common Moorhen
Fulica americana American Coot

GRUIDAE

Gruinae

Grus canadensis Sandhill Crane

CHARADRIIFORMES

CHARADRIIDAE

Charadriinae

Pluvialis squatarola Black-bellied Plover
Pluvialis dominica American Golden-Plover
Charadrius alexandrinus Snowy Plover
Charadrius semipalmatus Semipalmated Plover
Charadrius vociferus Killdeer
Charadrius montanus Mountain Plover

RECURVIROSTRIDAE

Himantopus mexicanus Black-necked Stilt
Recurvirostra americana American Avocet

SCOLOPACIDAE

Scolopacinae

Tringa melanoleuca Greater Yellowlegs
Tringa flavipes Lesser Yellowlegs
Tringa solitaria Solitary Sandpiper
Catoptrophorus semipalmatus Willet
Heteroscelus incanus Wandering Tattler
Actitis macularia Spotted Sandpiper
Bartramia longicauda Upland Sandpiper
Numenius phaeopus Whimbrel
Numenius americanus Long-billed Curlew
Limosa haemastica Hudsonian Godwit
Limosa lapponica Bar-tailed Godwit
Limosa fedoa Marbled Godwit
Arenaria interpres Ruddy Turnstone
Calidris canutus Red Knot
Calidris alba Sanderling
Calidris pusilla Semipalmated Sandpiper
Calidris mauri Western Sandpiper
Calidris minutilla Least Sandpiper
Calidris fuscicollis White-rumped Sandpiper
Calidris bairdii Baird's Sandpiper
Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper
Calidris alpina Dunlin
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper
Calidris himantopus Stilt Sandpiper
Tryngites subruficollis Buff-breasted Sandpiper
Limnodromus griseus Short-billed Dowitcher
Limnodromus scolopaceus Long-billed Dowitcher
Gallinago gallinago Common Snipe

Phalaropodinae

- Phalaropus tricolor* Wilson's Phalarope
Phalaropus lobatus Red-necked Phalarope
Phalaropus fulicaria Red Phalarope

LARIDAE**Stercorariinae**

- Stercorarius pomarinus* Pomarine Jaeger
Stercorarius parasiticus Parasitic Jaeger
Stercorarius longicaudus Long-tailed Jaeger

Larinae

- Larus atricilla* Laughing Gull
Larus pipixcan Franklin's Gull
Larus minutus Little Gull
Larus philadelphia Bonaparte's Gull
Larus heermanni Heermann's Gull
Larus canus Mew Gull
Larus delawarensis Ring-billed Gull
Larus californicus California Gull
Larus argentatus Herring Gull
Larus thayeri Thayer's Gull
Larus fuscus Lesser Black-backed Gull
Larus livens Yellow-footed Gull
Larus glaucescens Glaucous-winged Gull
Larus hyperboreus Glaucous Gull
Xema sabini Sabine's Gull
Rissa tridactyla Black-legged Kittiwake

Sterninae

- Sterna caspia* Caspian Tern
Sterna hirundo Common Tern
Sterna forsteri Forster's Tern
Sterna antillarum Least Tern
Chlidonias niger Black Tern

ALCIDAE

- Synthliboramphus antiquus* Ancient Murrelet

COLUMBIFORMES**COLUMBIDAE**

- Columba livia* Rock Dove (I)
Columba fasciata Band-tailed Pigeon
Zenaida asiatica White-winged Dove
Zenaida macroura Mourning Dove
Columbina inca Inca Dove
Columbina passerina Common Ground-Dove
Columbina talpacoti Ruddy Ground-Dove

CUCULIFORMES**CUCULIDAE****Coccyzinae**

- Coccyzus erythrophthalmus* Black-billed Cuckoo
Coccyzus americanus Yellow-billed Cuckoo

Neomorphinae

- Geococcyx californianus* Greater Roadrunner

STRIGIFORMES**TYTONIDAE**

- Tyto alba* Barn Owl

STRIGIDAE

- Otus flammeolus* Flammulated Owl
Otus kennicottii Western Screech-Owl
Bubo virginianus Great Horned Owl
Nyctea scandiaca Snowy Owl
Glaucidium gnoma Northern Pygmy-Owl
Micrathene whitneyi Elf Owl
Athene cunicularia Burrowing Owl
Strix occidentalis Spotted Owl
Strix nebulosa Great Gray Owl
Asio otus Long-eared Owl
Asio flammeus Short-eared Owl
Aegolius funereus Boreal Owl
Aegolius acadicus Northern Saw-whet Owl

CAPRIMULGIFORMES**CAPRIMULGIDAE****Chordeilinae**

- Chordeiles acutipennis* Lesser Nighthawk
Chordeiles minor Common Nighthawk

Caprimulginae

- Phalaenoptilus nuttallii* Common Poorwill

APODIFORMES**APODIDAE****Cypseloidinae**

- Cypseloides niger* Black Swift

Chaeturinae

- Chaetura pelagica* Chimney Swift
Chaetura vauxi Vaux's Swift

Apodinae

- Aeronautes saxatalis* White-throated Swift

TROCHILIDAE**Trochilinae**

- Cyananthus latirostris* Broad-billed Hummingbird
Eugenes fulgens Magnificent Hummingbird
Archilochus alexandri Black-chinned Hummingbird
Calypte anna Anna's Hummingbird
Calypte costae Costa's Hummingbird
Stellula calliope Calliope Hummingbird
Selasphorus platycercus Broad-tailed Hummingbird
Selasphorus rufus Rufous Hummingbird

CORACIIFORMES**ALCEDINIDAE****Cerylinae**

- Ceryle alcyon* Belted Kingfisher

PICIFORMES

PICIDAE

Picinae

- Melanerpes lewis* Lewis's Woodpecker
- Melanerpes erythrocephalus* Red-headed Woodpecker
- Melanerpes formicivorus* Acorn Woodpecker
- Sphyrapicus thyroideus* Williamson's Sapsucker
- Sphyrapicus varius* Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
- Sphyrapicus nuchalis* Red-naped Sapsucker
- Sphyrapicus ruber* Red-breasted Sapsucker
- Picoides scalaris* Ladder-backed Woodpecker
- Picoides pubescens* Downy Woodpecker
- Picoides villosus* Hairy Woodpecker
- Picoides tridactylus* Three-toed Woodpecker
- Colaptes auratus* Northern Flicker

PASSERIFORMES

TYRANNIDAE

Fluvicolinae

- Contopus cooperi* Olive-sided Flycatcher
- Contopus sordidulus* Western Wood-Pewee
- Empidonax traillii* Willow Flycatcher
- Empidonax minimus* Least Flycatcher
- Empidonax hammondi* Hammond's Flycatcher
- Empidonax wrightii* Gray Flycatcher
- Empidonax oberholseri* Dusky Flycatcher
- Empidonax occidentalis* Cordilleran Flycatcher
- Sayornis nigricans* Black Phoebe
- Sayornis phoebe* Eastern Phoebe
- Sayornis saya* Say's Phoebe
- Pyrocephalus rubinus* Vermilion Flycatcher

Tyranninae

- Myiarchus cinerascens* Ash-throated Flycatcher
- Myiarchus crinitus* Great Crested Flycatcher
- Myiarchus tyrannulus* Brown-crested Flycatcher
- Tyrannus vociferans* Cassin's Kingbird
- Tyrannus verticalis* Western Kingbird
- Tyrannus tyrannus* Eastern Kingbird
- Tyrannus forficatus* Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

LANIIDAE

- Lanius ludovicianus* Loggerhead Shrike
- Lanius excubitor* Northern Shrike

VIREONIDAE

- Vireo griseus* White-eyed Vireo
- Vireo bellii* Bell's Vireo
- Vireo vicinior* Gray Vireo.
- Vireo flavifrons* Yellow-throated Vireo
- Vireo plumbeus* Plumbeous Vireo
- Vireo cassinii* Cassin's Vireo
- Vireo gilvus* Warbling Vireo
- Vireo olivaceus* Red-eyed Vireo

CORVIDAE

- Perisoreus canadensis* Gray Jay
- Cyanocitta stelleri* Steller's Jay

- Cyanocitta cristata* Blue Jay
- Aphelocoma californica* Western Scrub-Jay
- Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus* Pinyon Jay
- Nucifraga columbiana* Clark's Nutcracker
- Pica pica* Black-billed Magpie
- Corvus brachyrhynchos* American Crow
- Corvus corax* Common Raven

ALAUDIDAE

- Eremophila alpestris* Horned Lark

HIRUNDINIDAE

Hirundininae

- Progne subis* Purple Martin
- Tachycineta bicolor* Tree Swallow
- Tachycineta thalassina* Violet-green Swallow
- Stelgidopteryx serripennis* Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- Riparia riparia* Bank Swallow
- Petrochelidon pyrrhonota* Cliff Swallow
- Hirundo rustica* Barn Swallow

PARIDAE

- Poecile atricapillus* Black-capped Chickadee
- Poecile gambeli* Mountain Chickadee
- Baeolophus griseus* Juniper Titmouse

REMIZIDAE

- Auriparus flaviceps* Verdin

AEGITHALIDAE

- Psaltriparus minimus* Bushtit

SITTIDAE

Sittinae

- Sitta canadensis* Red-breasted Nuthatch
- Sitta carolinensis* White-breasted Nuthatch
- Sitta pygmaea* Pygmy Nuthatch

CERTHIDAE

Certhiinae

- Certhia americana* Brown Creeper

TROGLODYTIDAE

- Campylorhynchus brunneicapillus* Cactus Wren
- Salpinctes obsoletus* Rock Wren
- Catherpes mexicanus* Canyon Wren
- Thryomanes bewickii* Bewick's Wren
- Troglodytes aedon* House Wren
- Troglodytes troglodytes* Winter Wren
- Cistothorus palustris* Marsh Wren

CINCLIDAE

- Cinclus mexicanus* American Dipper

REGULIDAE

- Regulus satrapa* Golden-crowned Kinglet
- Regulus calendula* Ruby-crowned Kinglet

SYLVIIDAE

Poliophtilinae

- Poliophtila caerulea* Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
- Poliophtila melanura* Black-tailed Gnatcatcher

TURDIDAE

- Sialia sialis* Eastern Bluebird
- Sialia mexicana* Western Bluebird

Sialia currucoides Mountain Bluebird
Myadestes townsendi Townsend's Solitaire
Catharus fuscescens Veery
Catharus ustulatus Swainson's Thrush
Catharus guttatus Hermit Thrush
Hylocichla mustelina Wood Thrush
Turdus migratorius American Robin
Ixoreus naevius Varied Thrush

MIMIDAE

Dumetella carolinensis Gray Catbird
Mimus polyglottos Northern Mockingbird
Oreoscoptes montanus Sage Thrasher
Toxostoma rufum Brown Thrasher
Toxostoma bendirei Bendire's Thrasher
Toxostoma crissale Crissal Thrasher
Toxostoma lecontei Le Conte's Thrasher

STURNIDAE

Sturnus vulgaris European Starling (I)

MOTACILLIDAE

Anthus rubescens American Pipit

BOMBYCILLIDAE

Bombycilla garrulus Bohemian Waxwing
Bombycilla cedrorum Cedar Waxwing

PTILOGONATIDAE

Phainopepla nitens Phainopepla

PARULIDAE

Vermivora chrysoptera Golden-winged Warbler
Vermivora peregrina Tennessee Warbler
Vermivora celata Orange-crowned Warbler
Vermivora ruficapilla Nashville Warbler
Vermivora virginiae Virginia's Warbler
Vermivora luciae Lucy's Warbler
Parula americana Northern Parula
Dendroica petechia Yellow Warbler
Dendroica pensylvanica Chestnut-sided Warbler
Dendroica magnolia Magnolia Warbler
Dendroica caerulescens Black-throated Blue Warbler
Dendroica coronata Yellow-rumped Warbler
Dendroica nigrescens Black-throated Gray Warbler
Dendroica townsendi Townsend's Warbler
Dendroica occidentalis Hermit Warbler
Dendroica dominica Yellow-throated Warbler
Dendroica graciae Grace's Warbler
Dendroica palmarum Palm Warbler
Dendroica castanea Bay-breasted Warbler
Dendroica striata Blackpoll Warbler
Mniotilta varia Black-and-white Warbler
Setophaga ruticilla American Redstart
Protonotaria citrea Prothonotary Warbler
Helmitheros vermivorus Worm-eating Warbler
Seiurus aurocapillus Ovenbird
Seiurus noveboracensis Northern Waterthrush
Oporornis formosus Kentucky Warbler
Oporornis agilis Connecticut Warbler

Oporornis tolmiei MacGillivray's Warbler
Geothlypis trichas Common Yellowthroat
Wilsonia citrina Hooded Warbler
Wilsonia pusilla Wilson's Warbler
Wilsonia canadensis Canada Warbler
Myioborus pictus Painted Redstart
Icteria virens Yellow-breasted Chat

THRAUPIDAE

Piranga rubra Summer Tanager
Piranga olivacea Scarlet Tanager
Piranga ludoviciana Western Tanager

EMBERIZIDAE

Pipilo chlorurus Green-tailed Towhee
Pipilo maculatus Spotted Towhee
Pipilo fuscus Canyon Towhee
Pipilo aberti Abert's Towhee
Aimophila cassinii Cassin's Sparrow
Aimophila ruficeps Rufous-crowned Sparrow
Spizella arborea American Tree Sparrow
Spizella passerina Chipping Sparrow
Spizella pallida Clay-colored Sparrow
Spizella breweri Brewer's Sparrow
Spizella pusilla Field Sparrow
Spizella atrogularis Black-chinned Sparrow
Pooecetes gramineus Vesper Sparrow
Chondestes grammacus Lark Sparrow
Amphispiza bilineata Black-throated Sparrow
Amphispiza belli Sage Sparrow
Calamospiza melanocorys Lark Bunting
Passerculus sandwichensis Savannah Sparrow
Ammodramus savannarum Grasshopper Sparrow
Ammodramus leconteii Le Conte's Sparrow
Passerella iliaca Fox Sparrow
Melospiza melodia Song Sparrow
Melospiza lincolni Lincoln's Sparrow
Melospiza georgiana Swamp Sparrow
Zonotrichia albicollis White-throated Sparrow
Zonotrichia querula Harris's Sparrow
Zonotrichia leucophrys White-crowned Sparrow
Zonotrichia atricapilla Golden-crowned Sparrow
Junco hyemalis Dark-eyed Junco
Calcarius mccownii McCown's Longspur
Calcarius lapponicus Lapland Longspur
Calcarius ornatus Chestnut-collared Longspur
Plectrophenax nivalis Snow Bunting

CARDINALIDAE

Cardinalis cardinalis Northern Cardinal
Pheucticus ludovicianus Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Pheucticus melanocephalus Black-headed Grosbeak
Guiraca caerulea Blue Grosbeak
Passerina amoena Lazuli Bunting
Passerina cyanea Indigo Bunting
Spiza americana Dickcissel

ICTERIDAE

Dolichonyx oryzivorus Bobolink
Agelaius phoeniceus Red-winged Blackbird
Sturnella neglecta Western Meadowlark
Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus Yellow-headed Blackbird
Euphagus carolinus Rusty Blackbird
Euphagus cyanocephalus Brewer's Blackbird
Quiscalus quiscula Common Grackle
Quiscalus mexicanus Great-tailed Grackle
Molothrus aeneus Bronzed Cowbird
Molothrus ater Brown-headed Cowbird
Icterus spurius Orchard Oriole
Icterus cucullatus Hooded Oriole
Icterus galbula Baltimore Oriole
Icterus bullockii Bullock's Oriole
Icterus parisorum Scott's Oriole

FRINGILLIDAE**Fringillinae**

Fringilla montifringilla Brambling

Carduelinae

Leucosticte tephrocotis Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch
Leucosticte atrata Black Rosy-Finch
Pinicola enucleator Pine Grosbeak
Carpodacus cassinii Cassin's Finch
Carpodacus mexicanus House Finch
Loxia curvirostra Red Crossbill
Loxia leucoptera White-winged Crossbill
Carduelis flammea Common Redpoll
Carduelis hornemanni Hoary Redpoll
Carduelis pinus Pine Siskin
Carduelis psaltria Lesser Goldfinch
Carduelis tristis American Goldfinch
Coccothraustes vespertinus Evening Grosbeak

PASSERIDAE

Passer domesticus House Sparrow (I)

[**Note:** The Yellow-Footed Gull is listed here but is not yet listed on the official Utah Checklist]

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