

Bay Area Birds Field Guide

This guide is a **not** an exhaustive list. If you find any birds not in this guide, you can identify them through the Merlin app. This guide & all photos were made by Anish Lakkapragada. Birds listed in (approximate) frequency of sightings.

Bird Species

Dark-Eyed Junco



Small bird identified by black head and brownish-orange body with a white patch.

Lesser Goldfinch

Medium-sized bird with primarily yellow body (and striking black for males.)



House Finch

Medium-sized bird typically found on trees.
Striking red for males and greyish for females.



Black Phoebe

Small white-and-black bird. Hard to miss.



Anna's Hummingbird

Buzzing creature with vibrant colors.



Mourning Dove



Light purple to grey bird with blue ring around eyes.

California Towhee

Extremely common bird with fully brown body.



Western Bluebird



Medium-sized bird with blue exterior and brown belly.

White/Golden Crowned Sparrow

Typically sparrow with grey body.

Color of top of head indicates species.



Yellow-Rumped Warblers

Small-sized grey birds with yellow spots.



American Robin

Black exterior feathers with brown-orange interior.

Big eyes.



California Scrub Jay

The Blue Jay of California. Blue head and white belly.



Northern Mockingbird

Relatively large bird with grey body and sharp beak.

Remember it's a sin To Kill a Mockingbird.

