BIRDS OF OKLAHOMA

2018 OU ORNITHOLOGY CLASS LIST

150 OF THE MOST IMPORTANT AND INTERESTING OKLAHOMA SPECIES, LISTED BY ORDER, FAMILY, AND ENGLISH NAME

IDENTIFY ANY SPECIMEN FROM THIS LIST BY ENGLISH NAME (OPTIONALLY SCIENTIFIC), FAMILY, AND ORDER, WITH CORRECT SPELLING, AND PROPER CAPITALIZATION.

RECOGNIZE ALL ADULT PLUMAGES (I.E. BREEDING AND WINTER, MALE AND FEMALE) OF EACH SPECIES, UNLESS SPECIFICALLY NOTED ON THE LIST

BIRDS MARKED WITH *HAVE A RESTRICTED DISTRIBUTION IN OKLAHOMA, YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THAT DISTRIBUTION. BIRDS MARKED WITH ** HAVE A CONGENER THAT REPLACES IT GEOGRAPHICALLY. YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO DESCRIBE THE CONTACT ZONE AND ANY HABITAT DIFFERENCES.

Order: Anseriformes

Family: Anatidae (11)

Snow Goose Canada Goose Wood Duck

Blue-winged Teal (Male only)

Northern Shoveler

Mallard

Northern Pintail (Male only)

Redhead Bufflehead

Hooded Merganser (Male only)

Ruddy Duck

Order: Galliformes

Family: Odontophoridae (1)

Northern Bobwhite

Family: Phasianidae (3)
Ring-necked Pheasant
Lesser Prairie-Chicken
Wild Turkey

Order: Podicipediformes

Family: Podicipedidae (1)
Pied-billed Grebe

Order: Columbiformes

Family: Columbidae (4)

Rock Pigeon

Eurasian Collared-Dove White-winged Dove Mourning Dove

Order: Cuculiformes

Family: Cuculidae (2) Yellow-billed Cuckoo Greater Roadrunner

Order: Caprimulgiformes

Family: Caprimulgidae (1) Common Nighthawk

Order: Apodiformes

Family: Apodidae (1) Chimney Swift

Family: Trochilidae (2)

Ruby-throated Hummingbird (male only) **
Black-chinned Hummingbird (male only) **

Order: Gruiformes

Family: Rallidae (3)

Sora

Purple Gallinule American Coot

Family: Gruidae (1) Sandhill Crane

Order: Charadriiformes

Family: Recurvirostridae (2)

Black-necked Stilt American Avocet

Family: Charadriidae (1)

Killdeer

Family: Scolopacidae (4)
Upland Sandpiper
Least Sandpiper

Spotted Sandpiper (winter plumage only)

Greater Yellowlegs

Family: Laridae (6)
Bonaparte's Gull
Franklin's Gull
Ring-billed Gull
Least Tern
Forster's Tern

Order Gaviiformes

Family: Gaviidae (1) Common Loon

Order: Ciconiiformes

Family: Ciconiidae (1)

Wood Stork

Order: Suliformes

Family: Phalacrocoracidae (1) Double-crested Cormorant

Order: Pelicaniformes

Family: Pelecanidae (1) American White Pelican

Family: Ardeidae (7)
Great Blue Heron
Great Egret
Snowy Egret
Little Blue Heron
Cattle Egret
Green Heron
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron (adult only)

Family: Threskiornithidae (2)

White Ibis
White-faced Ibis

Order: Cathartiformes

Family: Cathartidae (2) Turkey Vulture Black Vulture

Order: Accipitriformes

Family: Pandionidae (1)

Osprey

Family: Accipitridae (7)

Bald Eagle

Mississippi Kite Northern Harrier Sharp-shinned Hawk Cooper's Hawk Red-shouldered Hawk Red-tailed Hawk

Order: Strigiformes

Family: Tytonidae (1)

Barn Owl

Family: Strigidae (3)
Eastern Screech-Owl
Great Horned Owl
Burrowing Owl

Order: Coraciiformes

Family: Alcedinidae (1) Belted Kingfisher

Order: Piciformes

Family: Picidae (9)

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker Red-headed Woodpecker Red-bellied Woodpecker

Golden-fronted Woodpecker

Downy Woodpecker

Ladder-backed Woodpecker
Hairy Woodpecker
Pileated Woodpecker
Northern Flicker

Order: Falconiformes

Family: Falconidae (2) American Kestrel Merlin

Order: Passeriformes

Family: Tyrannidae (6)
Eastern Wood-Pewee
Eastern Phoebe
Great Crested Flycatcher
Western Kingbird
Eastern Kingbird
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

Family: Laniidae (1) Loggerhead Shrike

Family: Vireonidae (3)

Black-capped Vireo
White-eyed Vireo
Red-eyed Vireo

Family: Corvidae (4)

Blue Jay*

Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay

American Crow
Fish Crow

Family: Alaudidae (1)

Horned Lark

Family: Hirundinidae (4)

Northern Rough-winged Swallow Purple Martin Barn Swallow Cliff Swallow

Family: Paridae (3) Carolina Chickadee

Tufted Titmouse **

Black-crested Titmouse

Family: Sittidae (2)

Red-breasted Nuthatch White-breasted Nuthatch

Family: Certhidae (1)

Brown Creeper

Family: Troglodytidae (3)

Rock Wren House Wren Carolina Wren

Family: Polioptilidae (1)

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Family: Regulidae (1)

Ruby-crowned Kinglet

Family: Turdidae (3)

Eastern Bluebird Hermit Thrush American Robin

Family: Mimidae (3)

Gray Catbird Northern Mockingbird Brown Thrasher

Family: Sturnidae (1) European Starling

Family: Bombycillidae (1)

Cedar Waxwing

Family: Passeridae (1) House Sparrow

Family: Fringillidae (2)

House Finch

American Goldfinch

Family: Calcariidae (1)

Smith's Longspur (winter plumage only)

Family: Passerellidae (8)

Spotted Towhee

Eastern Towhee

Chipping Sparrow

Lark Sparrow

Song Sparrow

Harris's Sparrow

White-crowned Sparrow

Dark-eyed Junco

Family: Icteriidae (1)

Yellow-breasted Chat

Family: Icteridae (6)

Eastern/Western Meadowlark (These two species vocalize differently, but are difficult to tell apart especially during non-breeding season)

Bullock's Oriole (male only)

Baltimore Oriole (male only)

Red-winged Blackbird

Brown-headed Cowbird

Common Grackle

Family: Parulidae (6)

Black-and-white Warbler

Protonotary Warbler

Common Yellowthroat

Yellow Warbler

Yellow-rumped Warbler

Wilson's Warbler

Family: Cardinalidae (6)

Summer Tanager

Northern Cardinal

Lazuli Bunting (male only)

Indigo Bunting

Painted Bunting

Dickcissel