



Bird Checklist for the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area

LOONS

- Red-throated Loon (R)
- Pacific Loon (R)
- Common Loon (R)

GREBES

- Pied-billed Grebe (B)
- Horned Grebe (R)
- Eared Grebe (B)
- Western Grebe (R)
- Clark's Grebe (R)

SHEARWATERS & STORM-PETRELS

- Northern Fulmar (V)
- Sooty Shearwater (V)
- Short-tailed Shearwater (M)
- Black-vented Shearwater (V)

BOOBIES & PELICANS

- Masked Booby (M)
- American White Pelican (R)
- Brown Pelican (R)

COMORANTS

- Brandt's Cormorant (R)
- Double-crested Cormorant (R)
- Pelagic Cormorant (R)

HERONS

- American Bittern (R)
- Least Bittern (R)
- Great Blue Heron (B)
- Great Egret (R)
- Snowy Egret (R)
- Cattle Egret (R)
- Green Heron (B)
- Black-crowned Night-Heron (B)

IBISES & SPOONBILLS

- White-faced Ibis (R)

NEW WORLD VULTURES

- Turkey Vulture (B)

SWANS, GEESE & DUCKS

- Greater White-fronted Goose (R)
- Ross' goose (R)
- Canada Goose (B)
- Brant (R)

SWANS, GEESE & DUCKS

- Wood Duck (B)
- Gadwall (B)
- Eurasian Wigeon (R)
- American Wigeon (R)
- Mallard (B)
- Blue-winged Teal (R)
- Cinnamon Teal (B)
- Northern Shoveler (R)
- Northern Pintail (R)
- Green-winged Teal (R)
- Canvasback (R)
- Redhead (B)
- Ring-necked Duck (R)
- Greater Scaup (R)
- Lesser Scaup (R)
- Harlequin Duck (R)
- Surf Scoter (R)
- White-winged Scoter (R)
- Black Scoter (V)
- Long-tailed Duck (R)

RAILS, GALLINULES, & COOTS

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- Bufflehead (R)
- Common Goldeneye (R)
- Hooded Merganser (R)
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KITES, HAWKS, EAGLES & FALCONS

- Osprey (R)
- White-tailed Kite (B)
- Sharp-shinned Hawk (M)
- Cooper's Hawk (B)
- Northern Harrier (B)
- Red-shouldered Hawk (B)
- Broad-winged Hawk (M)
- Swainson's Hawk (M)
- Red-tailed Hawk (B)
- Ferruginous Hawk (R)
- Rough-legged Hawk (M)
- Golden Eagle (B)
- American Kestrel (B)
- Merlin (R)

KITES, HAWKS, EAGLES & FALCONS

- Peregrine Falcon (R)
- Prairie Falcon (R)

GROUSE & QUAIL

- *Ring-necked Pheasant (R)
- *Common Peafowl (B)
- Mountain Quail (B)
- California Quail (B)

RAILS, GALLINULES, & COOTS

- Light-footed Clapper Rail (B)
- Virginia Rail (B)
- Sora (R)
- American Coot (B)

POLOERS

- Black-bellied Plover (R)
- American Golden-plover (M)
- Pacific Golden-plover (M)
- Western Snowy Plover (B)
- Semipalmated Plover (R)
- Killdeer (B)
- Mountain Plover (M)

OYSTERCATCHERS, STILTS & AVOCETS

- Black Oystercatcher (R)
- Black-necked Stilt (B)
- American Avocet (B)

SANDPIPERS & PHALAROPES

- Greater Yellowlegs (R)
- Lesser Yellowlegs (M)
- Solitary Sandpiper (M)
- Willet (R)
- Wandering Tattler (R)
- Spotted Sandpiper (R)
- Whimbrel (R)
- Long-billed Curlew (R)
- Marbled Godwit (R)
- Ruddy Turnstone (R)
- Black Turnstone (R)
- Surfbird (R)
- Red Knot (M)
- Sanderling (R)
- Semipalmated Sandpiper (M)

SANDPIPERS & PHALAROPES

- Western Sandpiper (R)
- Least Sandpiper (R)
- Baird's Sandpiper (M)
- Pectoral Sandpiper (M)
- Dunlin (R)
- Stilt Sandpiper (M)
- Short-billed Dowitcher (M)
- Long-billed Dowitcher (R)
- Common Snipe (R)
- Wilson's Phalarope (M)
- Red-necked Phalarope (M)
- Red Phalarope (M)

SKUAS, JAEGERS, GULLS & TERNS

- Pomarine Jaeger (R)
- Parasitic Jaeger (R)
- Franklin's Gull (M)
- Bonaparte's Gull (R)
- Heermann's Gull (R)
- Mew Gull (R)
- Ring-billed Gull (R)
- California Gull (R)
- Herring Gull (R)
- Thayer's Gull (R)
- Western Gull (R)
- Glaucous-winged Gull (R)
- Black-legged Kittiwake (R)
- Caspian Tern (R)
- Royal Tern (R)
- Elegant Tern (R)
- Common Tern (M)
- Arctic Tern (M)
- Forster's Tern (R)
- California Least Tern (B)
- Black Tern (M)
- Black Skimmer (R)

AUKS, MURRES & PUFFINS

- Common Murre (R)
- Pigeon Guillemot (R)
- Xantus's Murrelet (R)
- Craveri's Murrelet (R)

AUKS, MURRES & PUFFINS

- Ancient Murrelet (R)
- Cassin's Auklet (R)
- Rhinoceros Auklet (R)

PIGEONS & DOVES

- *Rock Dove (B)
- Band-tailed Pigeon (B)
- *Spotted Dove (B)
- White-winged Dove (M)
- Mourning Dove (B)
- *Common Ground Dove (R)

PARROTS

- *Rose-ringed Parakeet (B)
- *Mitted Parakeet (B)
- *Yellow-chevroned Parakeet (R)
- *Red-crowned Parrot (B)
- *Yellow-headed Parrot (B)
- *Black-hooded Parakeet (B)

CUCKOOS, ANIS & ROADRUNNERS

- Greater Roadrunner (B)

OWLS

- Barn Owl (B)
- Western Screech-owl (B)
- Great Horned Owl (B)
- Burrowing Owl (B)
- Long-eared Owl (B)

NIGHTJARS

- Lesser Nighthawk (R)
- Common Nighthawk (R)
- Common Poorwill (B)

SWIFTS

- Black Swift (M)
- Chimney Swift (M)
- Vaux's Swift (M)
- White-throated Swift (B)

HUMMINGBIRDS

- Black-chinned Hummingbird (B)
- Anna's Hummingbird (B)
- Costa's Hummingbird (B)
- Rufous Hummingbird (M)
- Allen's Hummingbird (B)

KINGFISHERS

- Belted Kingfisher (B)

WOODPECKERS

- Lewis' Woodpecker (R)
- Acorn Woodpecker (B)
- Red-breasted Sapsucker (R)
- Red-naped Sapsucker (R)
- Nuttall's Woodpecker (B)
- Downy Woodpecker (B)
- Hairy Woodpecker (R)
- Northern Flicker (B)

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

- Olive-sided Flycatcher (B)
- Western Wood-pewee (B)
- Willow Flycatcher (M)
- Hammond's Flycatcher (M)
- Gray Flycatcher (M)
- Dusky Flycatcher (M)
- Pacific-slope Flycatcher (B)
- Black Phoebe (B)
- Say's Phoebe (R)
- Ash-throated Flycatcher (B)
- Tropical Kingbird (R)
- Cassin's Kingbird (B)
- Western Kingbird (B)

SHRIKES

- Loggerhead Shrike (B)

VIROES

- Least Bell's Vireo (M)
- Cassin's Vireo (M)
- Hutton's Vireo (B)
- Warbling Vireo (B)

JAYS, MAGPIES & CROWS

- Western Scrub Jay (B)
- American Crow (B)
- Common Raven (B)

LARKS

- California Horned Lark (B)

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- Purple Martin (M)
- Tree Swallow (R)
- Violet-green Swallow (B)
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- Bank Swallow (M)
- Cliff Swallow (B)
- Barn Swallow (B)

TITMICE & CHICKADEES

- Mountain Chickadee (R)
- Oak Titmouse (B)

BUSHTITS

- Bushtit (B)

NUTHATCHES & CREEPERS

- Red-breasted Nuthatch (R)
- White-breasted Nuthatch (B)
- Brown Creeper (R)

WRENS

- Western Coastal Cactus Wren (B)
- Rock Wren (B)
- Canyon Wren (B)
- Bewick's Wren (B)
- House Wren (B)
- Winter Wren (R)
- Marsh Wren (B)

DIPPERS, KINGLETS &

- American Dipper (R)
- Golden-crowned Kinglet (R)
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet (R)
- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (B)

THRUSHES, SOLITAIRES & BLUEBIRDS

- Western Bluebird (B)
- Mountain Bluebird (R)
- Townsend's Solitaire (R)
- Swainson's Thrush (M)
- Hermit Thrush (R)
- American Robin (B)
- Varied Thrush (R)

WRENTIT

- Wrentit (B)

THRASHERS

- Northern Mockingbird (B)
- Sage Thrasher (M)
- California Thrasher (B)

STARLINGS

- *European Starling (B)

PIPITS & WAGTAILS

- American Pipit (R)

WAXWINGS

- Cedar Waxwing (R)

SILKY FLYCATCHERS

- Phainopepla (B)

WARBLERS & TANAGERS

- Tennessee Warbler (M)
- Orange-crowned Warbler (B)
- Nashville Warbler (M)
- Yellow Warbler (B)
- Yellow-rumped Warbler (R)
- Black-throated Gray Warbler (M)
- Townsend's Warbler (R)
- Hermit Warbler (M)
- Blackpoll Warbler (M)
- Black-and-white Warbler (M)
- American Redstart (M)
- Northern Waterthrush (R)
- Macgillivray's Warbler (M)
- Common Yellowthroat (B)
- Wilson's Warbler (B)
- Yellow-breasted Chat (M)
- Western Tanager (R)

BUNTINGS, GROSBILLS & SPARROWS

- Green-tailed Towhee (R)
- Spotted Towhee (B)
- California Towhee (B)
- Southern California Rufous-crowned Sparrow (B)
- Chipping Sparrow (R)
- Clay-colored Sparrow (M)
- Brewer's Sparrow (R)
- Black-chinned Sparrow (B)
- Vesper Sparrow (R)

BUNTINGS, GROSBILLS & SPARROWS

- Lark Sparrow (B)
- Sage Sparrow (B)
- Belding's Savannah Sparrow (B)
- Large-billed Savannah Sparrow (R)
- Grasshopper Sparrow (B)
- Fox Sparrow (R)
- Song Sparrow (B)
- Lincoln's Sparrow (R)
- White-throated Sparrow (R)
- Golden-crowned Sparrow (R)
- White-crowned Sparrow (R)
- Dark-eyed Junco (B)
- Rose-breasted Grosbeak (M)
- Black-headed Grosbeak (B)
- Blue Grosbeak (B)
- Lazuli Bunting (B)
- Indigo Bunting (R)

BLACKBIRDS & ORIOLES

- Red-winged Blackbird (B)
- Western Meadowlark (B)
- Yellow-headed Blackbird (R)
- Rusty Blackbird (R)
- Brewer's Blackbird (B)
- Great-tailed Grackle (R)
- Brown-headed Cowbird (B)
- Hooded Oriole (B)
- Bullock's Oriole (B)
- Baltimore Oriole (R)
- Scott's Oriole (M)

FINCHES

- Purple Finch (B)
- House Finch (B)
- Red Crossbill (R)
- Pine Siskin (R)
- Lesser Goldfinch (B)
- Lawrence's Goldfinch (B)
- American Goldfinch (B)

OLD WORLD SPARROWS

- *House Sparrow (B)

OCCASIONAL VAGRANT

- Arctic Loon (V)
- Yellow-billed Loon (V)
- Red-necked Grebe (V)
- Mottled Petrel (V)
- Magnificent Frigatebird (V)
- Little Blue Heron (V)
- Tricolored Heron (V)
- Reddish Egret (V)
- Yellow-crowned Night Heron (V)
- Emperor Goose (V)
- Snow Goose (V)
- Tufted Duck (V)
- King Eider (V)
- Zone-tailed Hawk (V)
- King Rail (V)
- Sandhill Crane (V)
- Wilson's Plover (V)
- Upland Sandpiper (V)
- Bar-tailed Godwit (V)
- Curlew Sandpiper (V)
- Ruff (V)
- South Polar Skua (V)
- Laughing Gull (V)
- Lesser Black-backed Gull (V)
- Glaucous Gull (V)
- Sabine's Gull (V)
- Sandwich Tern (V)
- Marbled Murrelet (V)
- *Ringed Turtle-dove (V)
- Black-billed Cuckoo (V)
- Yellow-billed Cuckoo (V)
- Broad-billed Hummingbird (V)
- Williamson's Sapsucker (V)
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (V)
- Pileated Woodpecker (V)
- Greater Pewee (V)
- Eastern Wood-pewee (V)
- Least Flycatcher (V)
- Eastern Phoebe (V)
- Vermilion Flycatcher (V)
- Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher (V)

OCCASIONAL VAGRANT

- White-eyed Vireo (V)
- Plumbeous Vireo (V)
- Philadelphia Vireo (V)
- Red-eyed Vireo (V)
- Yellow-green Vireo (V)
- Steller's Jay (V)
- Clark's Nutcracker (V)
- Pygmy Nuthatch (V)
- Sedge Wren (V)
- Veery (V)
- Snow Goose (V)
- Gray Catbird (V)
- Bendire's Thrasher (V)
- Yellow Wagtail (V)
- Golden-winged Warbler (V)
- Virginia's Warbler (V)
- Lucy's Warbler (V)
- Northern Parula (V)
- Chestnut-sided Warbler (V)
- Magnolia Warbler (V)
- Cape May Warbler (V)
- Black-throated Blue Warbler (R)
- Black-throated Green Warbler (R)
- Blackburnian Warbler (V)
- Yellow-throated Warbler (V)
- Grace's Warbler (V)
- Pine Warbler (V)
- Prairie Warbler (V)
- Palm Warbler (V)
- Bay-breasted Warbler (V)
- Prothonotary Warbler (V)
- Worm-eating Warbler (V)
- Connecticut Warbler (V)
- Mourning Warbler (V)
- Canada Warbler (V)
- Painted Redstart (V)
- Summer Tanager (V)
- Scarlet Tanager (V)
- American Tree Sparrow (V)
- Black-throated Sparrow (V)
- Lark Bunting (V)
- Le Conte's Sparrow (V)

OCCASIONAL VAGRANT

- Swamp Sparrow (V)
- Harris' Sparrow (V)
- Dickcissel (V)
- Bobolink (V)
- Orchard Oriole (V)
- Evening Grosbeak (V)

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