



Birds of Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge

Snow geese descend like a prairie blizzard upon the 11,320 acre Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge located on Lake Texoma, 10 miles northwest of Sherman, Texas. Just 75 miles north of Dallas where the Red River etches the boundary between Oklahoma and Texas, migratory birds by the thousands refuel for long journeys. The main road through the refuge offers outstanding views of the restless flocks. The refuge was created to provide food and nesting habitat for all types of migratory birds.

Snow, Ross's, and Canada geese spend the entire winter loafing here on the Big Mineral Arm of Lake Texoma. Mississippi kites and scissor-tailed flycatchers hunt the summer skies for insects. Great blue herons call the refuge home in every season.

Hagerman has recorded 330 species of birds that have been seen on the refuge since its establishment in 1946. The information reflected in this list was compiled by refuge staff, volunteers, and visiting ornithologists.

This listing is in accordance with the seventh edition of the *American Ornithologists' Union Checklist of North American Birds*, (1998) and its supplements through July 2010.

Bird List Introduction and Key

If you should find an unlisted or rare species during your visit, please contact the Refuge staff and provide a description. The refuge birds do not recognize traditional calendar seasons, therefore, season designations for species are intended as general guidelines.

Symbols used in this list are defined as follows:

- Sp** - Spring March - May
- S** - Summer June - July
- F** - Fall August - November
- W** - Winter December - February

Abundance

- A** - Abundant
A common species that is very numerous.
- C** - Common
Likely to be seen in suitable habitats.



Green heron. Mike Chiles/USFWS

- U** - Uncommon
Present, not certain to be seen.
- O** - Occasional
Seen few times during the season
- R** - Rare
Seen at intervals of 2 to 5 years.
- X** - Accidental
Has been seen only once or twice.
- *** - Nests locally or has previously nested locally
- (I)** Introduced
An established species that is not native to North America.

Italicized bird names indicate threatened or endangered species.

Common Name	Sp	S	F	W
Ducks, Geese, and Swans				
__ Black-bellied Whistling-Duck			X	
__ Fulvous Whistling-Duck			X	
__ Gr. White-fronted Goose	U		C	C
__ Snow Goose	C		C	C
__ Ross's Goose	C		C	C
__ Brant			X	X
__ Cackling Goose	O		O	O
__ Canada Goose *	U	O	U	U
__ Mute Swan (I)	X		X	X
__ Tundra Swan			X	X
__ Wood Duck *	U	U	U	U
__ Gadwall	U	R	C	C
__ Eurasian Wigeon			X	
__ American Wigeon	O		O	O
__ American Black Duck	X	X	X	X
__ Mallard *	U	U	C	C

Common Name	Sp	S	F	W
Ducks, Geese, and Swans, continued				
__ Mottled Duck			X	
__ Blue-winged Teal	C	O	C	R
__ Cinnamon Teal	O		O	O
__ Northern Shoveler	C	R	C	C
__ Northern Pintail	U		C	C
__ Green-winged Teal	U		C	C
__ Canvasback	O		O	O
__ Redhead	U		U	U
__ Ring-necked Duck	U		U	U
__ Greater Scaup			X	X
__ Lesser Scaup	O	R	U	O
__ Surf Scoter				X
__ White-winged Scoter			X	X
__ Long-tailed Duck			R	R
__ Bufflehead	O		O	O
__ Common Goldeneye	O		O	O
__ Hooded Merganser	O		O	O
__ Common Merganser	O		O	O
__ Red-breasted Merganser			R	R
__ Ruddy Duck	O		O	O
New World Quail				
__ Northern Bobwhite *	O	O	O	O
Pheasants				
__ Ring-necked Pheasant (I)	X			
Turkeys				
__ Wild Turkey *	U	U	U	U
Loons				
__ Red-throated Loon				X
__ Common Loon	R		R	R
Grebes				
__ Pied-billed Grebe *	U	O	U	U
__ Horned Grebe	O		O	O
__ Red-necked Grebe			X	
__ Eared Grebe	O		O	O
__ Western Grebe			R	R



Snowy egret. Rick Cantu/USFWS

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Storks					Kites, Eagles and Hawks				
__ Wood Stork		R	R		__ Osprey	O	O	O	R
Cormorants					__ Swallow-tailed Kite	X			
__ Neotropic Cormorant	R	R	R	R	__ White-tailed Kite	X			
__ Double-crested Cormorant	C	O	C	C	__ Mississippi Kite *	U	U	U	
Pelicans					__ <i>Bald Eagle</i>	O	O	O	
__ American White Pelican	C	O	C	O	__ Northern Harrier	U	U	U	
__ Brown Pelican	R		R	R	__ Sharp-shinned Hawk	O	O	O	
Anhingas					__ Cooper's Hawk	O	O	O	
__ Anhinga *	R	R	R		__ Northern Goshawk	X			
Hérons, Bitterns and Egrets					__ Common Black-Hawk			X	
__ American Bittern	O	O	O	O	__ Harris's Hawk			X	
__ Least Bittern *	X	X	X		__ Red-shouldered Hawk *	U	U	U	U
__ Great Blue Heron *	C	C	C	C	__ Broad-winged Hawk *	O	O	O	
__ Great Egret *	C	C	C	R	__ Swainson's Hawk *	O	O	O	
__ Snowy Egret *	C	C	C		__ Red-tailed Hawk *	U	U	U	U
__ Little Blue Heron *	U	C	C		__ Ferruginous Hawk			X	
__ Tricolored Heron	R	R	R		__ Rough-legged Hawk	R		R	R
__ Reddish Egret	X	X			__ Golden Eagle			X	X
__ Cattle Egret *	C	C	C	O	Caracaras and Falcons				
__ Green Heron *	U	U	U	X	__ Crested Caracara			X	
__ Black-crowned Night-Heron	O	O	O	O	__ American Kestrel	U	R	U	U
__ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron *	O	O	O	O	__ Merlin	R	O	R	
Ibises and Spoonbills					__ Peregrine Falcon	R	R		
__ White Ibis		O	R		__ Prairie Falcon	X		X	R
__ White-faced Ibis	O	O	O	X	Rails, Gallinules and Coots				
__ Roseate Spoonbill		R	R		__ Black Rail	X			
Vultures					__ King Rail *	X	X	X	
__ Black Vulture *	C	C	C	C	__ Virginia Rail	R		R	R
__ Turkey Vulture *	C	C	C	C	__ Sora	O	R	O	
					__ Purple Gallinule	X			
					__ Common Moorhen	X	X	X	
					__ American Coot	C	O	A	U
					Cranes				
					__ Sandhill Crane	R		R	R
					__ Whooping Crane			X	

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Plovers				
__ Black-bellied Plover	O	R	O	R
__ American Golden-Plover	O	R	O	
__ Snowy Plover	R	R	R	
__ Semipalmated Plover	O	O	O	
__ Piping Plover	O	O	O	
__ Killdeer *	U	U	U	U
__ Mountain Plover	X			
Stilts and Avocets				
__ Black-necked Stilt	O	O	O	
__ American Avocet	O	O	O	R
Sandpipers, Phalaropes and Allies				
__ Spotted Sandpiper	U	R	U	
__ Solitary Sandpiper	O	R	O	X
__ Greater Yellowlegs	O	U	O	U
__ Willet	O	R	O	
__ Lesser Yellowlegs	U	O	U	R
__ Upland Sandpiper	O	O	O	
__ Whimbrel	R	R	R	
__ Long-billed Curlew	R	R	R	
__ Hudsonian Godwit	O	R	R	
__ Marbled Godwit	O	R	O	
__ Ruddy Turnstone	R	R	R	
__ Red Knot		R	R	
__ Sanderling	O		O	
__ Semipalmated Sandpiper	O	R	O	
__ Western Sandpiper	O	O	O	R
__ Least Sandpiper	U	U	U	O
__ White-rumped Sandpiper	U	R		
__ Baird's Sandpiper	U	O	U	X
__ Pectoral Sandpiper	U	O	U	X
__ Dunlin	O	R	O	R
__ Stilt Sandpiper	U	U	U	
__ Buff-breasted Sandpiper	O	R	O	
__ Short-billed Dowitcher	U	R	U	
__ Long-billed Dowitcher	U	O	U	R
__ Wilson's Snipe	U	R	U	O
__ American Woodcock			R	R
__ Wilson's Phalarope	O	R	O	
__ Red-necked Phalarope			R	
__ Red Phalarope		R	R	
Gulls, Terns and Skimmers				
__ Sabine's Gull			R	X
__ Bonaparte's Gull	O		O	O
__ Little Gull	X			X
__ Laughing Gull	R	R	R	
__ Franklin's Gull	U	R	C	R
__ Ring-billed Gull	C	O	A	A
__ Herring Gull	O		O	O
__ Glaucous Gull				X
__ <i>Least Tern</i> *	U	U	U	
__ Caspian Tern	R	R	R	
__ Black Tern	U	U	U	
__ Common Tern	R	R		
__ Forster's Tern	C	O	C	R
__ Black Skimmer	X		X	
Jaegers				
__ Parasitic Jaeger			X	
Pigeons and Doves				
__ Rock Pigeon (I)	O	O	O	O
__ Eurasian Collared-Dove (I)	U			
__ White-winged Dove	X			
__ Mourning Dove *	C	C	C	C
__ Inca Dove		R	R	
Cuckoos and Roadrunners				
__ Yellow-billed Cuckoo *	U	U	U	
__ Black-billed Cuckoo		X	X	
__ Greater Roadrunner *	U	U	U	U
Barn Owls				
__ Barn Owl	R	R	R	R

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Typical Owls					Nuthatches					Wood-Warblers				
Eastern Screech-Owl *	O	O	O	O	Red-breasted Nuthatch	O		O	O	Tennessee Warbler	O		O	
Great Horned Owl *	O	O	O	O	White-breasted Nuthatch *	U	U	U	U	Orange-crowned Warbler	O		O	O
Snowy Owl				X	Creepers					Nashville Warbler	O		O	O
Burrowing Owl	X		X		Brown Creeper	U		U	U	Northern Parula	R		R	
Barred Owl *	O	O	O	O	Wrens					Yellow Warbler	O	R	O	
Short-eared Owl			R	R	Carolina Wren *	C	C	C	C	Chestnut-sided Warbler	R		R	
Northern Saw-whet Owl			X	X	Bewick's Wren *	U	U	U	U	Magnolia Warbler	R		R	
Goatsuckers					House Wren	O		O	O	Black-thr. Blue Warbler	R		X	
Common Nighthawk	O	O	O		Winter Wren	O		O	O	Yellow-rumped Warbler	C		C	C
Chuck-will's-widow *	R	R	R		Sedge Wren	R		R	R	Black-thr. Green Warbler	R		R	
Eastern Whip-poor-will	R		R		Marsh Wren	O		O	O	Blackburnian Warbler	R		R	
Swifts					Gnatcatchers					Yellow-throated Warbler	R		R	
Chimney Swift *	U	U	U		Blue-gray Gnatcatcher *	C	C	C	X	Pine Warbler	R		R	
Hummingbirds					Kinglets					Prairie Warbler			R	
Ruby-thr. Hummingbird *	U	U	U		Golden-crowned Kinglet	O		O	O	Palm Warbler	R		R	
Black-ch. Hummingbird	X				Ruby-crowned Kinglet	U		U	U	Bay-breasted Warbler	R		R	
Kingfishers					Thrushes and Allies					Blackpoll Warbler	R		R	
Belted Kingfisher *	U	U	U	U	Eastern Bluebird *	C	C	C	C	Cerulean Warbler	R		X	
Woodpeckers					Mountain Bluebird			X	X	Black-and-white Warbler *	U	U	U	
Red-headed Woodpecker *	U	U	U	U	Veery	R				American Redstart	R		R	
Red-bellied Woodpecker *	C	C	C	C	Gray-cheeked Thrush	R				Prothonotary Warbler *	U	U	U	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	O		U	U	Swainson's Thrush	O		O		Ovenbird	R		R	
Ladder-bac. Woodpecker	R	R	R	R	Hermit Thrush	O		O	O	Northern Waterthrush	R		R	
Downy Woodpecker *	C	C	C	C	Wood Thrush	R				Louisiana Waterthrush *	R	R	R	
Hairy Woodpecker *	O	O	O	O	American Robin	C	O	C	C	Kentucky Warbler *	R	R	R	
Northern Flicker	U	X	U	U	Mockingbirds, Catbirds, and Thrashers					Mourning Warbler	R		R	
Pileated Woodpecker *	U	U	U	U	Gray Catbird	O		O	X	MacGillivray's Warbler	X		X	
Flycatchers					Northern Mockingbird *	C	C	C	C	Common Yellowthroat *	U	U	U	U
Olive-sided Flycatcher	O	X	O		Sage Thrasher			X		Hooded Warbler	X		X	
Eastern Wood-Pewee *	O	O	O		Brown Thrasher *	U	U	U	U	Wilson's Warbler	O		O	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	R		R		Curve-billed Thrasher			X		Canada Warbler	R		R	
Acadian Flycatcher	R		R		Starlings					Yellow-breasted Chat *	R	X	R	
Alder Flycatcher	R		R		European Starling (I) *	C	C	C	C	Sparrows and Allies				
Willow Flycatcher	R		R		Pipits					Green-tailed Towhee	X			
Least Flycatcher	U		O		American Pipit	U		U	U	Spotted Towhee	O		O	O
Black Phoebe			X		Sprague's Pipit	R		R	R	Eastern Towhee	O		O	O
Eastern Phoebe *	U	U	U	U	Waxwings					Cassin's Sparrow	X			
Say's Phoebe	X				Cedar Waxwing	U		U	U	American Tree Sparrow	R		R	R
Vermilion Flycatcher	X		X		Longspurs					Chipping Sparrow	O	R	O	O
Ash-throated Flycatcher			X		McCown's Longspur			R	R	Clay-colored Sparrow	O		O	
Great Crested Flycatcher *	U	U	U		Lapland Longspur			R	R	Field Sparrow *	U	U	U	C
Great Kiskadee			X	X	Smith's Longspur			R	R	Vesper Sparrow	U		U	O
Western Kingbird *	U	U	U		Chestnut-collared Longspur			R	R	Lark Sparrow *	U	U	U	O
Eastern Kingbird *	U	U	U	X										
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher *	C	C	C	X										
Shrikes														
Loggerhead Shrike *	U	U	U	U										
Vireos														
White-eyed Vireo *	U	U	U											
Bell's Vireo *	R	R	R											
Yellow-throated Vireo	R													
Plumbeous Vireo			X											
Blue-headed Vireo	O	O	O	X										
Warbling Vireo	O	O	O											
Philadelphia Vireo	R													
Red-eyed Vireo *	U	U	U											
Jays and Crows														
Blue Jay *	C	C	C	C										
American Crow *	C	C	C	C										
Fish Crow	X													
Larks														
Horned Lark *			U	U										
Swallows														
Purple Martin *	U	U	U											
Tree Swallow *	O	R	O											
N. Rough-winged Swallow *	O	O	O											
Bank Swallow	O		O											
Cliff Swallow *	C	C	C											
Barn Swallow *	C	C	C											
Chickadees and Titmice														
Carolina Chickadee *	C	C	C	C										
Tufted Titmouse *	C	C	C	C										



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White-faced ibises. Rick Cantu/USFWS

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For Additional Information

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Common Name	Sp	S	F	W	Common Name	Sp	S	F	W
Sparrows and Allies, continued					Finches				
__ Savannah Sparrow	A		A	A	__ Purple Finch	O		O	O
__ Grasshopper Sparrow *	U	U	U	U	__ House Finch *	O	O	O	O
__ LeConte's Sparrow	U		U	U	__ Red Crossbill			X	X
__ Nelson's Sparrow			R		__ Pine Siskin	O		U	U
__ Fox Sparrow	U		U	U	__ American Goldfinch *	U	R	C	C
__ Song Sparrow	U		U	U	__ Evening Grosbeak	R		R	R
__ Lincoln's Sparrow	O		O	O	Old World Sparrow				
__ Swamp Sparrow	U		U	U	__ House Sparrow (I) *	U	U	U	U
__ White-throated Sparrow	C		C	C					
__ Harris' Sparrow	C		C	C					
__ White-crowned Sparrow	C		C	C					
__ Dark-eyed Junco									
__ Slate-colored Junco	C		C	C					
__ Oregon Junco	O		O	O					
Tanagers, Cardinals, Grosbeaks and Buntings									
__ Summer Tanager *	U	U	U						
__ Northern Cardinal *	C	C	C	C					
__ Rose-breasted Grosbeak	R		R						
__ Black-headed Grosbeak	X		X						
__ Blue Grosbeak *	U	U	U						
__ Lazuli Bunting	R								
__ Indigo Bunting *	C	C	U						
__ Painted Bunting *	C	C	U						
__ Dickcissel *	C	C	U						
Blackbirds and Orioles									
__ Bobolink	O		X						
__ Red-winged Blackbird *	C	C	C	C					
__ Eastern Meadowlark *	C	C	C	C					
__ Western Meadowlark	O		C	C					
__ Yellow-headed Blackbird	O	R	O	R					
__ Rusty Blackbird	R		R	R					
__ Brewer's Blackbird	O		U	U					
__ Common Grackle *	U	U	O	O					
__ Great-tailed Grackle *	U	U	O	O					
__ Brown-headed Cowbird *	C	C	C	O					
__ Orchard Oriole *	O	O	O						
__ Baltimore Oriole *	O	O	O						



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