

SEASONAL CHECKLIST
BIRDS OF GREATER
VANCOUVER, BC



Rev. August/2013

AREA COVERED

Greater Vancouver from the International Boundary (including Point Roberts, WA) North to 49° 35' N West to the eastern shoreline of Howe Sound (including Bowen Island) and to the middle of the Strait of Georgia. East to 122° 33' W (260th St. in Langley and Maple Ridge) including all of Golden Ears Provincial Park.

THE CHECKLIST

This checklist is divided into two parts: a list of 267 regularly occurring species (reported annually), and a list of 140 casual and accidental species (not reported every year).

For the regular species we present bar graphs indicating the seasonal occurrence and relative abundance of each. For the casual and accidental species because not all sightings have been critically reviewed, we cannot say exactly how many sightings there are for each. Therefore we have indicated for each season whether the species is accidental (1 or 2 records) or casual (3 or more records), without indicating dates for individual sightings.

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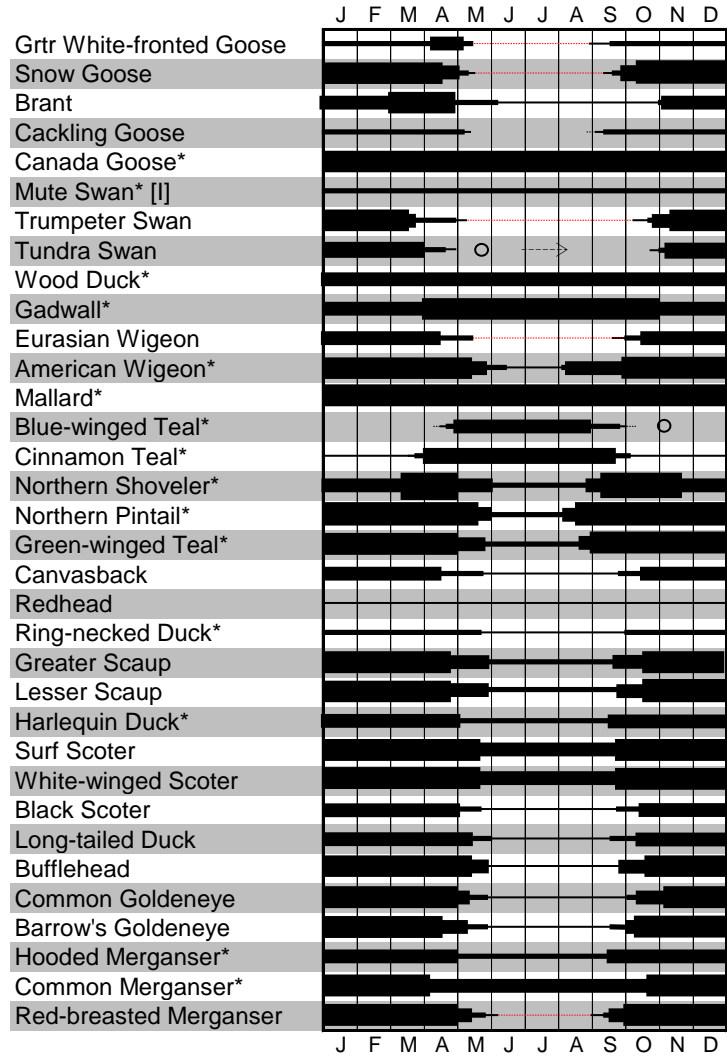
REPORTING RARE BIRDS

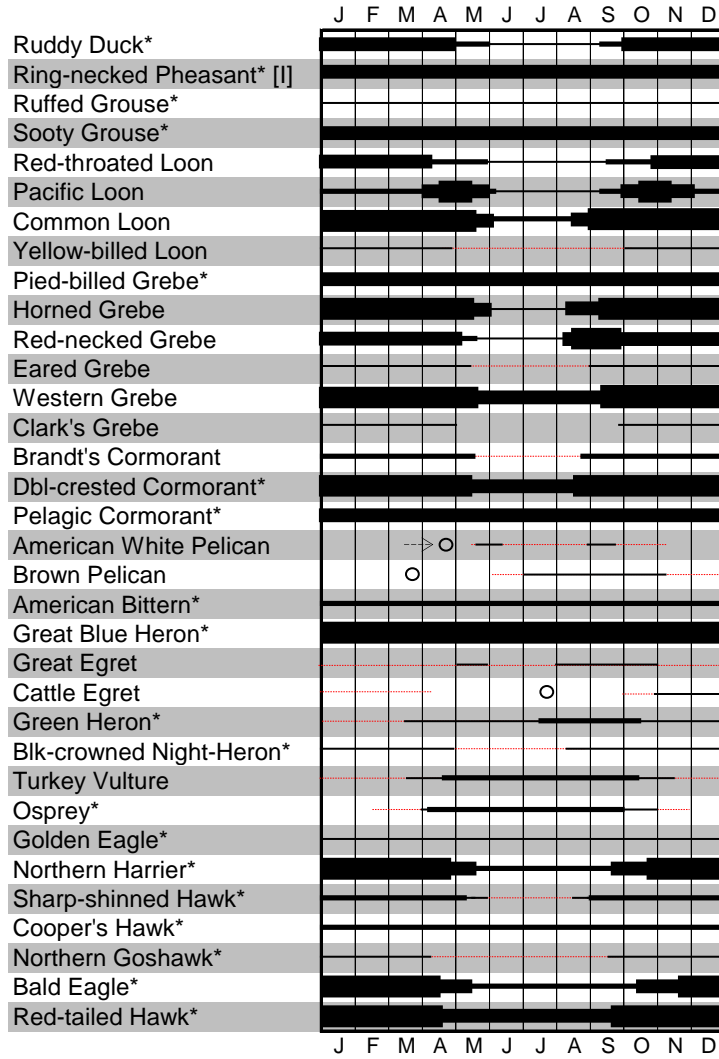
Please report sightings promptly of accidental, casual or out of season species to the **Vancouver Rare Bird Alert**. 604-737-3074

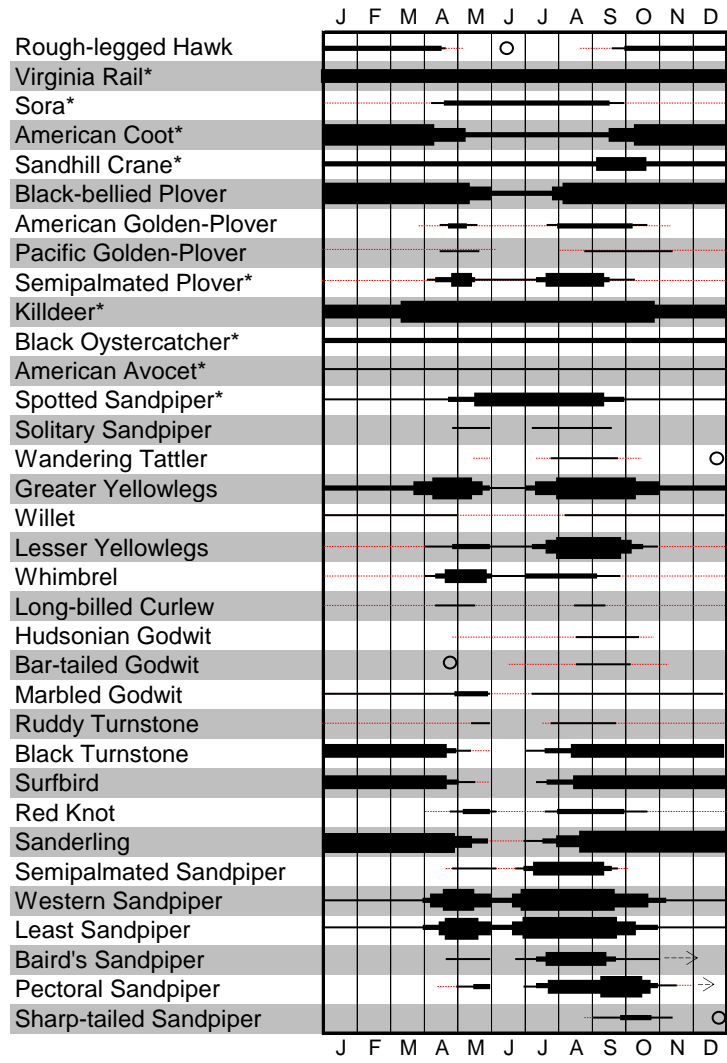
We request that observers document such sightings by completing a **Rare Bird Report Form** available on the Nature Vancouver website at http://www.naturevancouver.ca/Main_Birding

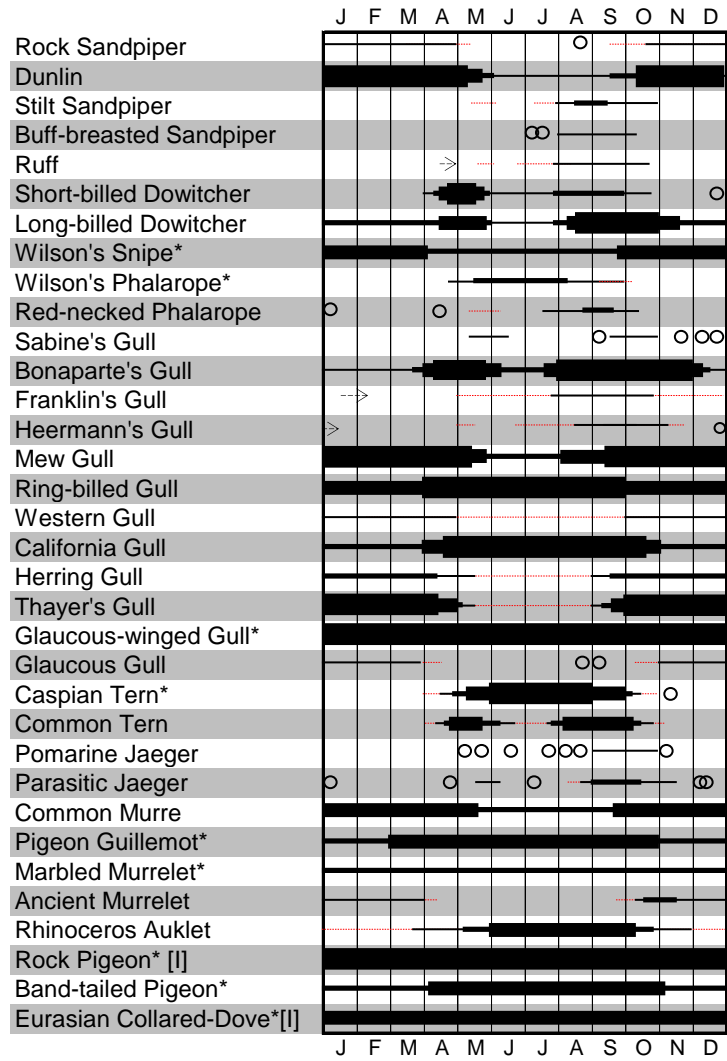
Observers are also encouraged to report their sightings, rare, or otherwise to "eBird" (<http://ebird.org>). Photos of rare birds can be "embedded" in a list submitted to eBird.

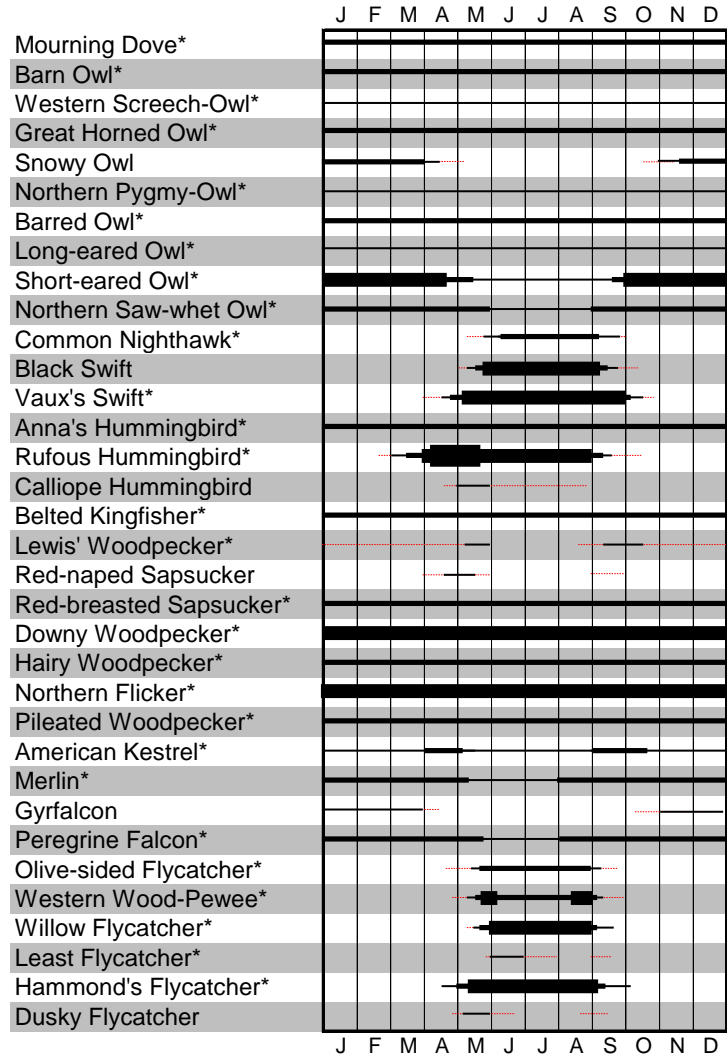
Key:	
██████████	Common: 25+ seen or heard daily
██████████	Fairly common: 5-25 seen or heard daily
██████████	Uncommon: 0-5 seen or heard daily
—————	Rare: 1-10 records per year
-----	Casual: 2-20+ records; on average not seen every year; somewhat out of normal range.
○	Accidental: single record; usually far outside normal range (1-4 days stay)
----->	Accidental: duration of stay (5+ days stay)
[I]	Introduced: species established for more than 10 years with an historically stable population.
*	Known to nest in checklist area

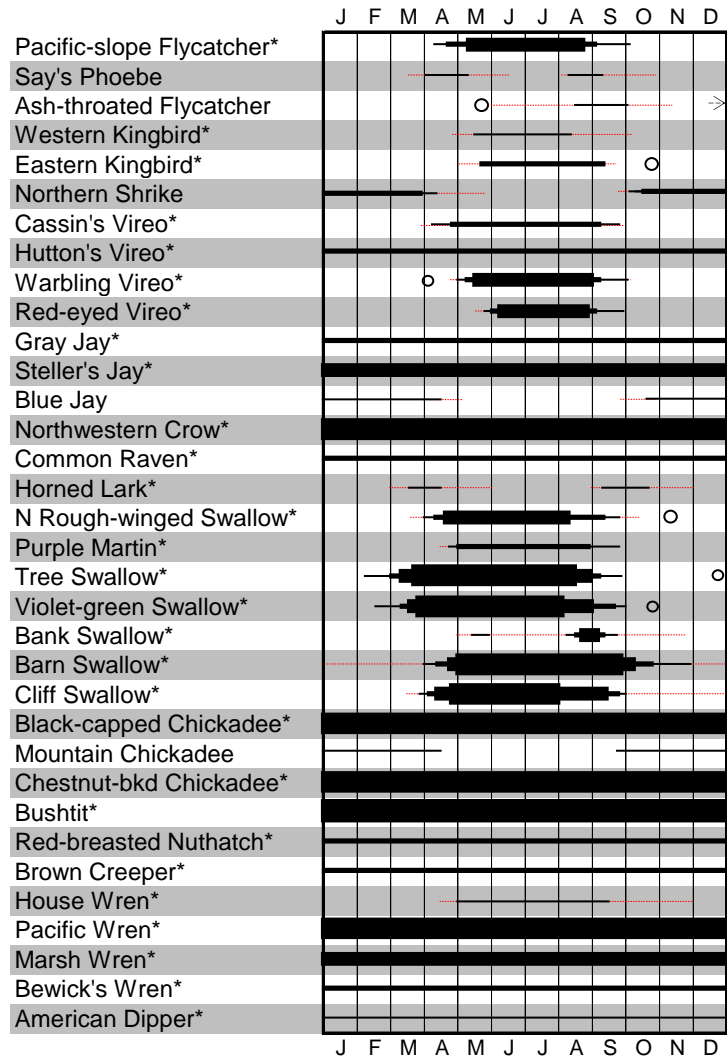


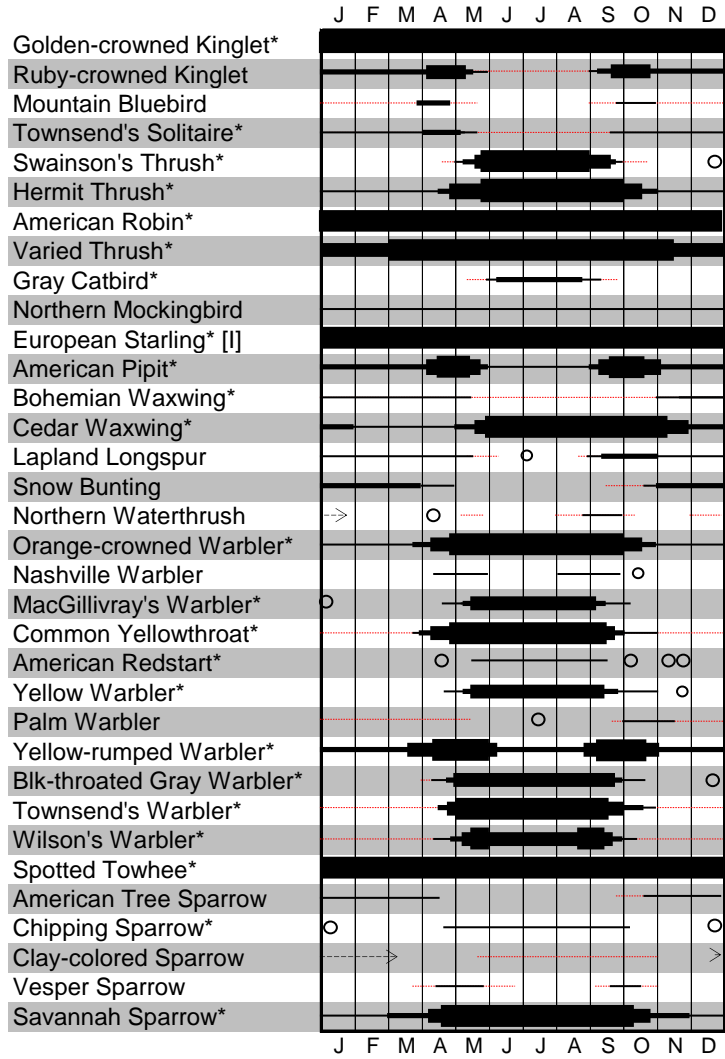


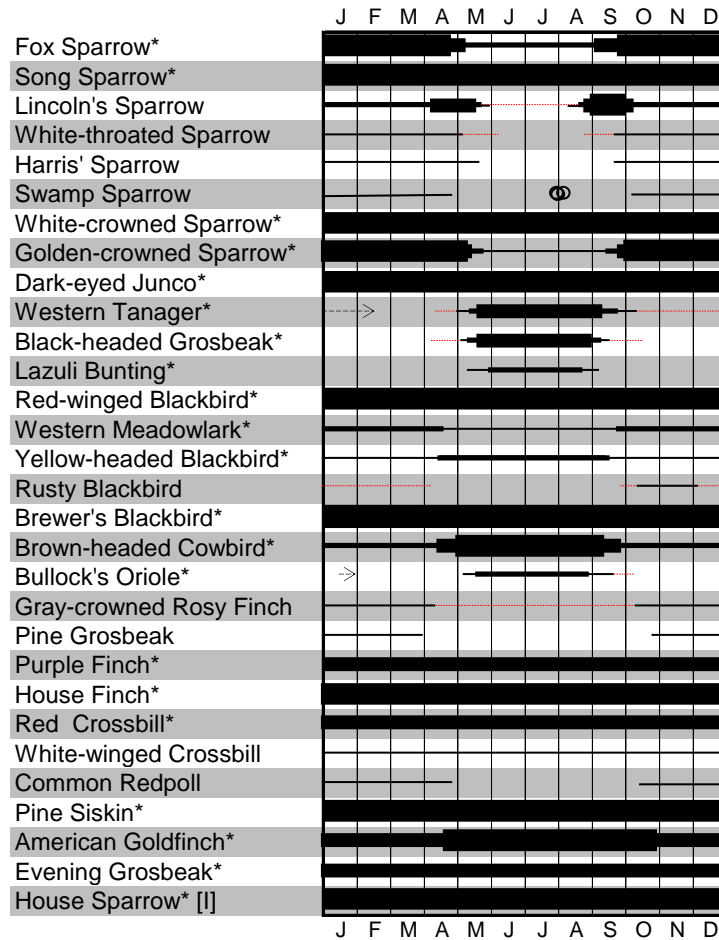












Casuals & Accidentals	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn
Emperor Goose	ca	ca	acc	ca
Ross' Goose	ca	ca	-	ca
Garganey	-	acc	acc	acc
Baikal Teal	acc	-	-	acc
Tufted Duck	ca	ca	ca	ca

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King Eider	ca	ca	ca	ca
Common Eider	acc	acc	acc	acc
Smew	acc	acc	-	-
Rock Ptarmigan	ca	-	acc	ca
White-tailed Ptarmigan	-	-	acc	ca
Northern Fulmar	-	-	acc	acc
Sooty Shearwater	-	-	-	ca
Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel	acc	-	acc	ca
Leach's Storm-Petrel	-	-	-	acc
Least Bittern	-	-	acc	-
Snowy Egret	-	ca	-	-
White-tailed Kite	-	ca	acc	-
Broad-winged Hawk	-	acc	-	ca
Swainson's Hawk	-	ca	ca	acc
Yellow Rail	-	-	acc	-
Common Gallinule	-	acc	acc	-
Lesser Sand-Plover	-	-	acc	-
Snowy Plover	-	acc	ca	-
Black-necked Stilt	-	ca	-	-
Spotted Redshank	-	acc	-	acc
Wood Sandpiper	-	-	-	acc
Upland Sandpiper	-	acc	ca	ca
Bristle-thighed Curlew	-	acc	-	-
Far Eastern Curlew	-	-	-	acc
Great Knot	acc	-	-	-
Red-necked Stint	-	acc	ca	ca
Little Stint	-	-	ca	ca
Temminck's Stint	-	-	-	acc
White-rumped Sandpiper	-	-	ca	ca
Curlew Sandpiper	-	-	acc	ca
Spoonbill Sandpiper	-	-	acc	-
Red Phalarope	acc	-	acc	ca
Black-legged Kittiwake	ca	ca	ca	ca
Ivory Gull	acc	-	-	-
Black-headed Gull	ca	ca	ca	ca
Little Gull	acc	ca	ca	ca
Laughing Gull	-	-	acc	-
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Iceland Gull	ca	ca	-	ca
Slaty-backed Gull	ca	ca	-	ca
Black Tern*	-	ca	ca	ca
Arctic Tern	-	ca	ca	ca
Forster's Tern	-	-	ca	ca
Elegant Tern	-	-	ca	acc
South Polar Skua	-	-	-	ca
Long-tailed Jaeger	-	acc	acc	ca
Cassin's Auklet	acc	acc	ca	ca
Oriental Turtle-Dove	acc	-	-	-
Flammulated Owl	-	acc	-	-
Northern Hawk-Owl	ca	ca	-	ca
Burrowing Owl*	ca	ca	acc	ca
Spotted Owl*	-	-	-	acc
Great Gray Owl	ca	ca	-	ca
Boreal Owl	acc	acc	-	acc
Lesser Nighthawk	-	-	acc	-
Common Poorwill	-	-	-	acc
White-throated Swift	-	-	-	acc
Ruby-thrted Hummingbird	-	acc	acc	-
Blk-chinned Hummingbird	-	-	-	-
Costa's Hummingbird	acc	acc	acc	acc
Acorn Woodpecker	-	-	acc	-
Williamson's Sapsucker	-	-	acc	-
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	ca	ca	-	ca
Am. Thr-toed Woodpecker*	ca	ca	ca	ca
Blk-backed Woodpecker	-	-	-	acc
Prairie Falcon	ca	ca	-	ca
Alder Flycatcher	-	-	ca	-
Black Phoebe	-	acc	acc	acc
Eastern Phoebe	-	acc	acc	-
Tropical Kingbird	-	-	-	ca
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	-	-	acc	-
Loggerhead Shrike	ca	ca	-	ca
Philadelphia Vireo	-	-	-	acc
Western Scrub-Jay	ca	ca	ca	ca
Black-billed Magpie*	ca	ca	ca	ca
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Clark's Nutcracker	acc	acc	acc	ca
Cave Swallow	-	-	-	acc
Sky Lark	acc	-	-	-
Boreal Chickadee	acc	-	-	acc
White-breasted Nuthatch	ca	ca	acc	ca
Pygmy Nuthatch	-	-	-	ca
Rock Wren	ca	ca	acc	ca
Sedge Wren	-	-	-	acc
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	acc	-	acc	acc
Red-flanked Bluetail	acc	-	-	-
Northern Wheatear	-	-	acc	-
Western Bluebird*	acc	acc	acc	acc
Veery	-	ca	ca	-
Dusky Thrush	acc	acc	-	-
Fieldfare	acc	-	-	-
Sage Thrasher	acc	ca	-	acc
Brown Thrasher	acc	acc	acc	acc
Siberian Accentor	acc	-	-	-
Eastern Yellow Wagtail	-	-	-	acc
White Wagtail	-	ca	-	acc
Red-throated Pipit	acc	-	acc	acc
Chestnut-collrd Longspur	-	-	acc	-
Smith's Longspur	-	-	-	acc
McCown's Longspur	acc	-	-	-
McKay's Bunting	acc	-	-	-
Ovenbird	-	ca	ca	-
Black-and-white Warbler	ca	ca	ca	ca
Prothonotary Warbler	-	-	-	acc
Tennessee Warbler	ca	ca	ca	-
Hooded Warbler	-	-	acc	-
Northern Parula	-	acc	acc	-
Magnolia Warbler	-	acc	ca	ca
Chestnut-sided Warbler	-	acc	ca	acc
Blackpoll Warbler	-	acc	acc	ca
Blk-throated Blue Warbler	-	acc	-	-
Blk-throatd Green Warbler	-	-	acc	-
Hermit Warbler	-	ca	-	-
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Canada Warbler	-	acc	-	-
Painted Redstart	acc	-	-	acc
Yellow-breasted Chat	acc	ca	ca	acc
Green-tailed Towhee	-	acc	acc	-
Brewer's Sparrow	-	ca	ca	acc
Lark Sparrow	-	ca	ca	acc
Black-throated Sparrow	-	ca	ca	-
Sagebrush Sparrow	-	ca	-	acc
Lark Bunting	-	-	acc	ca
Grasshopper Sparrow	-	acc	acc	acc
Baird's Sparrow	-	-	acc	-
Nelson's Sparrow	-	-	-	acc
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	acc	acc	ca	ca
Indigo Bunting	-	-	ca	acc
Painted Bunting	-	-	-	acc
Bobolink	-	ca	ca	ca
Common Grackle	acc	acc	acc	acc
Hooded Oriole	acc	acc	-	acc
Dickcissel		acc		
Baltimore Oriole	-	-	acc	-
Brambling	ca	acc	-	ca
Cassin's Finch	ca	ca	-	ca
Hoary Redpoll	acc	acc	-	-
Lesser Goldfinch	acc	-	-	acc
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Extirpated [I - introduced]

California Quail* [I] Gray Partridge*[I]
 Yellow-billed Cuckoo Crested Myna* [I]

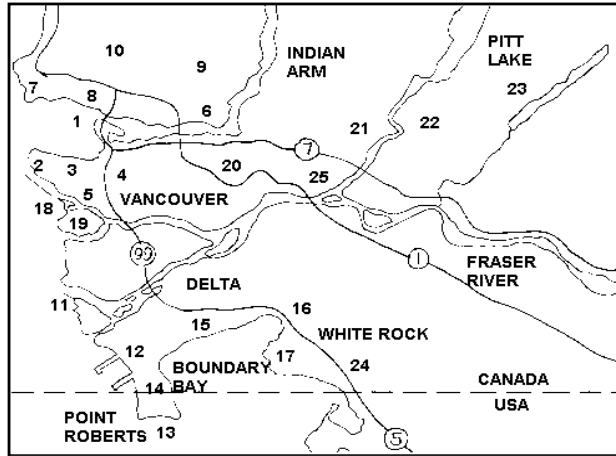
Undocumented Species

The following species have been listed on previous editions of the Vancouver Checklist, but we have been unable to find convincing documentation for their occurrence.

Black Duck Laysan Albatross
 Short-tailed Shearwater Black-vented Shearwater
 Magnificent Frigatebird Tufted Puffin
 Mountain Plover Little Curlew
 Golden-winged Warbler Virginia's Warbler

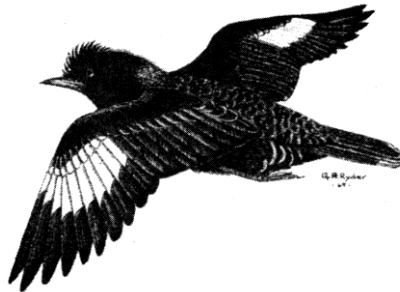
Undocumented Species (cont.)

Blackburnian Warbler Mourning Warbler
Le Conte's Sparrow



Legend

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