

**SEASONAL CHECKLIST**  
**BIRDS OF GREATER**  
**VANCOUVER, BC**



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**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 268 regularly occurring species (reported annually), and a list of 141 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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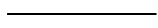


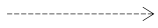


**REPORTING RARE BIRDS**

Please report sightings promptly of accidental, casual or out of season species by completing a **Rare Bird Report Form** available on the Nature Vancouver website at :

[http://www.naturevancouver.ca/Main\\_Birding](http://www.naturevancouver.ca/Main_Birding)

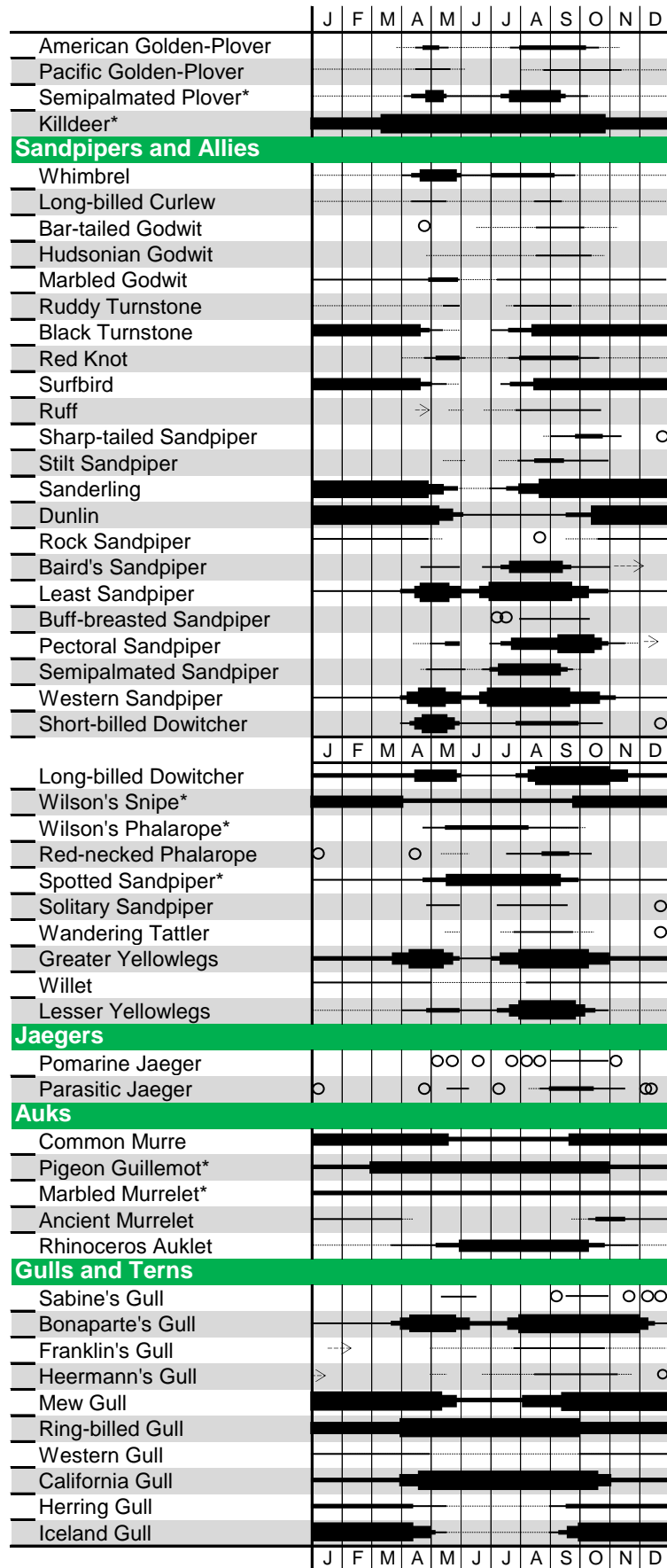
Observers are also encouraged to report their sightings, rare, or otherwise to "eBird" (<http://ebird.org>). Photos of rare birds can be "embedded" in a list submitted to eBird.

**Key:**

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

Ducks, Geese, and Swans												
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Snow Goose												
Grtr White-fronted Goose												
Brant												
Cackling Goose												
Canada Goose*												
Mute Swan* [I]												
Trumpeter Swan												
Tundra Swan												
Wood Duck*												
Blue-winged Teal*												
Cinnamon Teal*												
Northern Shoveler*												
Gadwall*												
Eurasian Wigeon												
American Wigeon*												
Mallard*												

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Northern Pintail*												
Green-winged Teal*												
Canvasback												
Redhead												
Ring-necked Duck*												
Greater Scaup												
Lesser Scaup												
Harlequin Duck*												
Surf Scoter												
White-winged Scoter												
Black Scoter												
Long-tailed Duck												
Bufflehead												
Common Goldeneye												
Barrow's Goldeneye												
Hooded Merganser*												
Ruddy Duck*												
Red-breasted Merganser												
Common Merganser*												
<b>Pheasants, Grouse and Allies</b>												
Ring-necked Pheasant* [I]												
Ruffed Grouse*												
Sooty Grouse*												
<b>Grebes</b>												
Pied-billed Grebe*												
Horned Grebe												
Red-necked Grebe												
Eared Grebe												
Western Grebe												
Clark's Grebe												
<b>Pigeons and Doves</b>												
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Rock Pigeon* [I]												
Band-tailed Pigeon*												
Eurasian Collared-Dove*[I]												
Mourning Dove*												
<b>Nightjars</b>												
Common Nighthawk*												
<b>Swifts</b>												
Black Swift												
Vaux's Swift*												
<b>Hummingbirds</b>												
Anna's Hummingbird*												
Rufous Hummingbird*												
Calliope Hummingbird												
<b>Rails and Coots</b>												
Virginia Rail*												
Sora*												
American Coot*												
<b>Cranes</b>												
Sandhill Crane*												
<b>Avocets</b>												
American Avocet*												
<b>Oystercatchers</b>												
Black Oystercatcher*												
<b>Plovers</b>												
Black-bellied Plover												



	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Glaucous-winged Gull*												
Glaucous Gull								o	o			
Caspian Tern*												o
Common Tern												
<b>Loons</b>												
Red-throated Loon												
Pacific Loon												
Common Loon												
Yellow-billed Loon												
<b>Cormorants</b>												
Brandt's Cormorant												
Pelagic Cormorant*												
Dbl-crested Cormorant*												
<b>Pelicans</b>												
American White Pelican												
Brown Pelican												
<b>Hérons, Egrets, and Bittern</b>												
American Bittern*												
Great Blue Heron*												
Great Egret												
Cattle Egret												
Green Heron*												
Blk-crowned Night-Heron*												
<b>Vultures</b>												
Turkey Vulture												
<b>Osprey</b>												
Osprey*												
<b>Hawks and Eagles</b>												
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Golden Eagle*												
Northern Harrier*												
Sharp-shinned Hawk*												
Cooper's Hawk*												
Northern Goshawk*												
Bald Eagle*												
Red-tailed Hawk*												
Rough-legged Hawk												
<b>Barn Owl</b>												
Barn Owl*												
<b>Owls</b>												
Western Screech-Owl*												
Great Horned Owl*												
Snowy Owl												
Northern Pygmy-Owl*												
Barred Owl*												
Long-eared Owl*												
Short-eared Owl*												
Northern Saw-whet Owl*												
<b>Kingfishers</b>												
Belted Kingfisher*												
<b>Woodpeckers</b>												
Red-naped Sapsucker												
Red-breasted Sapsucker*												
Lewis' Woodpecker*												
Downy Woodpecker*												
Hairy Woodpecker*												
Pileated Woodpecker*												
Northern Flicker*												

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
<b>Falcons</b>												
American Kestrel*												
Merlin*												
Gyr Falcon												
Peregrine Falcon*												
<b>Flycatchers</b>												
Olive-sided Flycatcher*												
Western Wood-Pewee*												
Willow Flycatcher*												
Least Flycatcher*												
Hammond's Flycatcher*												
Dusky Flycatcher												
Pacific-slope Flycatcher*												
Say's Phoebe												
Ash-throated Flycatcher												
Western Kingbird*												
Eastern Kingbird*												
<b>Shrikes</b>												
Northern Shrike												
<b>Vireos</b>												
Hutton's Vireo*												
Cassin's Vireo*												
Warbling Vireo*												
Red-eyed Vireo*												
<b>Crows and Jays</b>												
Canada Jay*												
Steller's Jay*												
Blue Jay												
Northwestern Crow*												
Common Raven*												
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
<b>Larks</b>												
Horned Lark*												
<b>Swallows</b>												
N Rough-winged Swallow*												
Purple Martin*												
Tree Swallow*												
Violet-green Swallow*												
Bank Swallow*												
Barn Swallow*												
Cliff Swallow*												
<b>Chickadees</b>												
Black-capped Chickadee*												
Mountain Chickadee												
Chestnut-bkd Chickadee*												
<b>Bushtits</b>												
Bushtit*												
<b>Nuthatches</b>												
Red-breasted Nuthatch*												
<b>Treecreepers</b>												
Brown Creeper*												
<b>Wrens</b>												
House Wren*												
Pacific Wren*												
Marsh Wren*												
Bewick's Wren*												
<b>Dippers</b>												
American Dipper*												
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
<b>Kinglets</b>												
Golden-crowned Kinglet*	[Solid black bar]											
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	[Solid black bar]											
<b>Thrushes and Allies</b>												
Mountain Bluebird	[Solid black bar]											
Townsend's Solitaire*	[Solid black bar]											
Varied Thrush*	[Solid black bar]											
Swainson's Thrush*	[Solid black bar]											
Hermit Thrush*	[Solid black bar]											
American Robin*	[Solid black bar]											
<b>Mockingbirds and Catbirds</b>												
Gray Catbird*	[Solid black bar]											
Northern Mockingbird	[Solid black bar]											
<b>Starlings</b>												
European Starling* [I]	[Solid black bar]											
<b>Pipits</b>												
American Pipit*	[Solid black bar]											
<b>Waxwings</b>												
Bohemian Waxwing*	[Solid black bar]											
Cedar Waxwing*	[Solid black bar]											
<b>Finches, Grosbeaks, and Allies</b>												
Evening Grosbeak*	[Solid black bar]											
Pine Grosbeak	[Solid black bar]											
Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	[Solid black bar]											
House Finch*	[Solid black bar]											
Purple Finch*	[Solid black bar]											
Common Redpoll	[Solid black bar]											
Red Crossbill*	[Solid black bar]											
White-winged Crossbill	[Solid black bar]											
Pine Siskin*	[Solid black bar]											
American Goldfinch*	[Solid black bar]											
<b>Longspurs and Snow Buntings</b>												
Lapland Longspur												
Snow Bunting												
<b>Sparrows</b>												
Chipping Sparrow*												
Clay-colored Sparrow												
American Tree Sparrow												
Fox Sparrow*												
Dark-eyed Junco*												
White-crowned Sparrow*												
Golden-crowned Sparrow*												
Harris' Sparrow												
White-throated Sparrow												
Vesper Sparrow												
Savannah Sparrow*												
Song Sparrow*												
Lincoln's Sparrow												
Swamp Sparrow												
Spotted Towhee*												
<b>Blackbirds, Orioles and Cowbirds</b>												
Yellow-headed Blackbird*												
Western Meadowlark*												
Bullock's Oriole*												
Red-winged Blackbird*												
Brown-headed Cowbird*												
Rusty Blackbird												

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Brewer's Blackbird*	[Solid black bar]											
<b>Warblers</b>												
Northern Waterthrush	->			○								
Orange-crowned Warbler*				[Solid black bar]								
Nashville Warbler											○	
MacGillivray's Warbler*	○											
Common Yellowthroat*				[Solid black bar]								
American Redstart*				○						○	○	
Yellow Warbler*											○	
Palm Warbler							○					
Yellow-rumped Warbler*				[Solid black bar]								
Blk-throated Gray Warbler*				[Solid black bar]								○
Townsend's Warbler*				[Solid black bar]								
Wilson's Warbler*				[Solid black bar]								
<b>Tanagers, BH Grosbeak and Bunting</b>												
Western Tanager*	->											
Black-headed Grosbeak*				[Solid black bar]								
Lazuli Bunting*				[Solid black bar]								
<b>Old World Sparrows</b>												
House Sparrow* [I]	[Solid black bar]											

	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn
<b>Casuals &amp; Accidentals</b>				
<b>Ducks, Geese, and Swans</b>				
Emperor Goose	ca	ca	acc	ca
Ross' Goose	ca	ca	-	ca
Baikal Teal	acc	-	-	acc
Garganey	-	acc	acc	acc
Tufted Duck	ca	ca	ca	ca
King Eider	ca	ca	ca	ca
Common Eider	acc	acc	acc	acc
Smew	acc	acc	-	-
<b>Pheasants, Grouse and Allies</b>				
Rock Ptarmigan	ca	-	acc	ca
White-tailed Ptarmigan	-	-	acc	ca
<b>Pigeons and Doves</b>				
Oriental Turtle-Dove	acc	-	-	-
White-winged Dove	-	-	-	ca
<b>Nightjars</b>				
Lesser Nighthawk	-	-	acc	-
Common Poorwill	-	-	-	acc
<b>Swifts</b>				
White-throated Swift	-	-	-	acc
<b>Hummingbirds</b>				
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	-	acc	acc	-
Costa's Hummingbird	acc	acc	acc	acc
<b>Rails, Gallinules and Coots</b>				
Common Gallinule	-	acc	acc	-
Yellow Rail	-	-	acc	-
<b>Stilts and Avocets</b>				
Black-necked Stilt	-	ca	-	-
<b>Plovers</b>				
Lesser Sand-Plover	-	-	acc	-
Snowy Plover	-	acc	ca	-
Piping Plover	-	-	acc	-
<b>Sandpipers and Allies</b>				
Upland Sandpiper	-	acc	ca	ca
Bristle-thighed Curlew	-	acc	-	-
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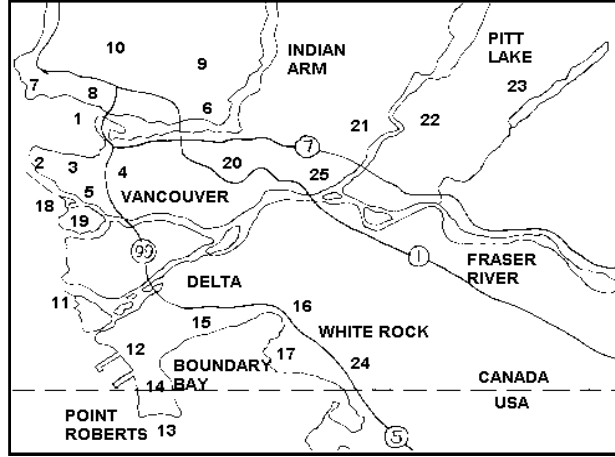
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Far Eastern Curlew	-	-	-	acc
Great Knot	acc	-	-	-
Curlew Sandpiper	-	-	acc	ca
Temminck's Stint	-	-	-	acc
Spoonbill Sandpiper	-	-	acc	-
Red-necked Stint	-	acc	ca	ca
Little Stint	-	-	ca	ca
White-rumped Sandpiper	-	-	ca	ca
Red Phalarope	acc	-	acc	ca
Spotted Redshank	-	acc	-	acc
Wood Sandpiper	-	-	-	acc
<b>Skuas and Jaegers</b>				
South Polar Skua	-	-	-	ca
Long-tailed Jaeger	-	acc	acc	ca
<b>Auks</b>				
Cassin's Auklet	acc	acc	ca	ca
Tufted Puffin	-	-	acc	-
<b>Gulls and Terns</b>				
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	-
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
	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn
<b>Storm-Petrels</b>				
Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel	acc	-	acc	ca
Leach's Storm-Petrel	-	-	-	acc
<b>Fulmars and Shearwaters</b>				
Northern Fulmar	-	-	acc	acc
Sooty Shearwater	-	-	-	ca
<b>Herons, Egrets, and Bittern</b>				
Least Bittern	-	-	acc	-
Snowy Egret	-	ca	-	-
<b>Ibises</b>				
White-faced Ibis	-	-	-	acc
<b>Hawks, Eagles, and Kites</b>				
White-tailed Kite	-	ca	acc	-
Broad-winged Hawk	-	acc	-	ca
Swainson's Hawk	-	ca	ca	acc
<b>Owls</b>				
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
<b>Woodpeckers</b>				
Williamson's Sapsucker	-	-	acc	-
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	ca	ca	-	ca
Acorn Woodpecker	-	-	acc	-
Am. 3-toed Woodpecker*	ca	ca	ca	ca
Blk-backed Woodpecker	-	-	-	acc
	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn

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<b>Falcons</b>				
Prairie Falcon	ca	ca	-	ca
<b>Flycatchers</b>				
Alder Flycatcher	-	-	ca	-
Black Phoebe	-	acc	acc	acc
Eastern Phoebe	-	acc	acc	-
Tropical Kingbird	-	-	-	ca
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	-	-	acc	-
<b>Shrikes</b>				
Loggerhead Shrike	ca	ca	-	ca
<b>Vireos</b>				
Philadelphia Vireo	-	-	-	acc
Yellow-green Vireo	-	-	-	acc
<b>Crows, Jays, and Magpies</b>				
California Scrub-Jay*	ca	ca	ca	ca
Black-billed Magpie*	ca	ca	ca	ca
Clark's Nutcracker	acc	acc	acc	ca
<b>Larks</b>				
Eurasian Skylark	acc	-	-	-
<b>Swallows</b>				
Cave Swallow	-	-	-	acc
<b>Chickadees</b>				
Boreal Chickadee	acc	-	-	acc
<b>Nuthatches</b>				
White-breasted Nuthatch	ca	ca	acc	ca
Pygmy Nuthatch	-	-	-	ca
	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn
<b>Wrens</b>				
Rock Wren	ca	ca	acc	ca
Sedge Wren	-	-	-	acc
<b>Gnatcatchers</b>				
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	acc	-	acc	acc
<b>Old World Flycatchers</b>				
Red-flanked Bluetail	acc	-	-	-
Northern Wheatear	-	-	acc	-
<b>Thrushes and Allies</b>				
Western Bluebird*	acc	acc	acc	acc
Veery	-	ca	ca	-
Fieldfare	acc	-	-	-
Dusky Thrush	acc	acc	-	-
<b>Mockingbirds and Thrashers</b>				
Brown Thrasher	acc	acc	acc	acc
Sage Thrasher	acc	ca	-	acc
<b>Accentors</b>				
Siberian Accentor	acc	-	-	-
<b>Wagtails and Pipits</b>				
Eastern Yellow Wagtail	-	-	-	acc
White Wagtail	-	ca	-	acc
Red-throated Pipit	acc	-	acc	acc
<b>Finches and Allies</b>				
Brambling	ca	acc	-	ca
Cassin's Finch	ca	ca	-	ca
Hoary Redpoll	acc	acc	-	-
Lesser Goldfinch	acc	-	-	acc
<b>Longspurs and Snow Buntings</b>				
Chestnut-collared Longspur	-	-	acc	-
Smith's Longspur	-	-	-	acc
McCown's Longspur	acc	-	-	-
	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn

	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn
McKay's Bunting	acc	-	-	-
<b>Sparrows</b>				
Grasshopper Sparrow	-	acc	acc	acc
Brewer's Sparrow	-	ca	ca	acc
Black-throated Sparrow	-	ca	ca	-
Lark Sparrow	-	ca	ca	acc
Lark Bunting	-	-	acc	ca
Sagebrush Sparrow	-	ca	-	acc
Nelson's Sparrow	-	-	-	acc
Baird's Sparrow	-	-	acc	-
Green-tailed Towhee	-	acc	acc	-
<b>Yellow-breasted Chat</b>				
Yellow-breasted Chat	acc	ca	ca	acc
<b>Blackbirds, Orioles and Grackles</b>				
Bobolink	-	ca	ca	ca
Hooded Oriole	acc	acc	-	acc
Baltimore Oriole	-	-	acc	-
Common Grackle	acc	acc	acc	acc
Great-tailed Grackle	acc	acc	acc	acc
<b>Warblers</b>				
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
	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn
Chestnut-sided Warbler	-	acc	ca	acc
Blackpoll Warbler	-	acc	acc	ca
Black-throated Blue Warbler	-	acc	-	-
Hermit Warbler	-	ca	-	-
Black-throated Green Warbler	-	-	acc	-
Canada Warbler	-	acc	-	-
Painted Redstart	acc	-	-	acc
<b>Tanagers, Grosbeaks and Bunting</b>				
Summer Tanager	acc	-	-	-
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	acc	acc	ca	ca
Indigo Bunting	-	-	ca	acc
Painted Bunting	-	-	-	acc
Dickcissel	-	acc	-	-
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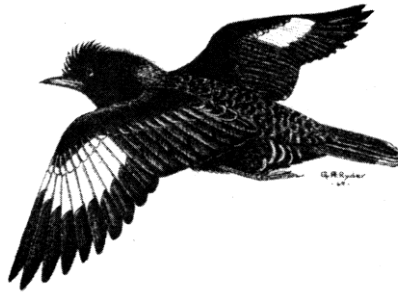
**Extirpated - [I] introduced**

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



**Legend**

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