

Birds in West Eugene



203 species of birds have been observed in the wetlands and forested uplands of west Eugene. Over the past decade, several new species have been added to this bird list each year, as increasing numbers of skilled observers visit the wetlands and report their findings to West Eugene Wetlands Program staff, Oregon Birder's Online (OBOL), or the [Lane County Audubon Society](#).

Two of the favorite birding spots within the West Eugene Wetlands are Bertelson Nature Park (which includes Stewart Pond) and Meadowlark Prairie.

The list below follows the scientific, taxonomic order of the American Ornithologists' Union Checklist of North American Birds (seventh edition).

The following codes are used in the list below:

R = resident during entire year

S = spring / summer

W = winter

O = occasional / accidental

Grebes

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Pied-billed grebe	(R)	Podilymbus podiceps
Horned grebe		Podiceps auritus
Eared grebe	(O)	Podiceps nigricollis
Western grebe	(S)	Aechmophorus occidentalis
Clark's grebe	(O)	Aechmophorus clarkii

Cormorants

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Double-crested cormorant		Phalacrocorax auritus

Hérons, Egrets, and Ibises

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
American bittern	(R)	Botaurus lentiginosus
Great blue heron	(R)	Ardea herodias
Great egret	(W)	Ardea albus

Herons, Egrets, and Ibises

Green heron	(S)	<i>Butorides virescens</i>
White-faced ibis	(O)	<i>Plegadis chihi</i>

Vultures

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Turkey vulture	(S)	<i>Cathartes aura</i>

Geese and Swans

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Greater white-fronted goose	(W)	<i>Anser albifrons</i>
Snow goose	(W)	<i>Anser caerulescens</i>
Ross' goose	(O)	<i>Chen rossii</i>
Brant	(O)	<i>Branta bernicla</i>
Canada goose	(R)	<i>Branta canadensis</i>
Tundra swan	(W)	<i>Cygnus columbianus</i>

Ducks

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Wood duck	(R)	<i>Aix sponsa</i>
Green-winged teal	(W)	<i>Anas crecca</i>
Mallard	(R)	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
Northern pin-tail	(W)	<i>Anas acuta</i>
Blue-winged teal	(S)	<i>Anas discors</i>
Cinnamon teal	(R)	<i>Anas cyanoptera</i>
Northern shoveler	(W)	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
Gadwall	(W)	<i>Anas strepera</i>
Eurasian wigeon	(O)	<i>Anas penelope</i>
American wigeon	(W)	<i>Anas americana</i>
Canvasback	(W)	<i>Aythya valisineria</i>
Redhead	(O)	<i>Aythya americana</i>

Ducks

Ring-necked duck	(W)	<i>Aythya collaris</i>
Lesser scaup	(W)	<i>Aythya affinis</i>
Common goldeneye	(W)	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>
Bufflehead	(W)	<i>Bucephala albeola</i>
Hooded merganser	(W)	<i>Lophodytes cucullatus</i>
Common merganser	(W)	<i>Mergus merganser</i>
Ruddy duck	(W)	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>

Osprey, Kites, Harriers, Hawks, Eagles, and Falcons

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Osprey	(S)	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
White-tailed kite	(W)	<i>Elanus leucurus</i>
Bald eagle	(W)	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>
Northern harrier	(R)	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>
Sharp-shinned hawk	(R)	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>
Cooper's hawk	(R)	<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>
Northern goshawk	(O)	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>
Red-shouldered hawk	(W)	<i>Buteo lineatus</i>
Red-tailed hawk	(R)	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>
Ferruginous hawk	(O)	<i>Buteo regalis</i>
Rough-legged hawk	(W)	<i>Buteo lagopus</i>
Golden eagle	(O)	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>
American kestrel	(R)	<i>Falco sparverius</i>
Merlin	(W)	<i>Falco columbarius</i>
Peregrine falcon	(W)	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Prairie falcon	(W)	<i>Falco mexicanus</i>

Pheasants and Quail

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Ring-necked pheasant	(R)	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>
California quail	(R)	<i>Callipepla californica</i>

Rails and Coots

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Virginia rail	(S)	<i>Rallus limicola</i>
Sora	(S)	<i>Porzana carolina</i>
American coot	(R)	<i>Fulica americana</i>

Cranes

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Sandhill crane	(W)	<i>Grus canadensis</i>

Shorebirds

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Black-bellied plover	(O)	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>
American golden plover	(O)	<i>Pluvialis dominica</i>
Semipalmated plover	(O)	<i>Charadrius semipalmatus</i>
Kildeer	(R)	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>
Black-necked stilt	(S)	<i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>
Greater yellowlegs	(W)	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>
Lesser yellowlegs	(W)	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>
Solitary sandpiper	(O)	<i>Tringa solitaria</i>
Spotted sandpiper	(R)	<i>Tringa macularia</i>
Semipalmated sandpiper	(O)	<i>Calidris pusilla</i>
Western sandpiper	(W)	<i>Calidris mauri</i>
Least sandpiper	(W)	<i>Calidris minutilla</i>
Dunlin	(W)	<i>Calidris alpina</i>
Ruff	(O)	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>
Short-billed dowitcher	(O)	<i>Limnodromus griseus</i>
Long-billed dowitcher	(W)	<i>Limnodromus scolopaceus</i>
Wilson's snipe	(W)	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>
Wilson's phalarope	(O)	<i>Steganopus tricolor</i>
Red-necked phalarope	(O)	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>

Gulls and Terns

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Mew gull	(W)	<i>Larus canus</i>
Ring-billed gull	(W)	<i>Larus delawarensis</i>
California gull	(W)	<i>Larus californicus</i>
Herring gull	(W)	<i>Larus argentatus</i>
Thayer's gull	(W)	<i>Larus thayeri</i>
Western gull	(W)	<i>Larus occidentalis</i>
Glaucous-winged gull	(W)	<i>Larus glaucescens</i>
Common tern	(W)	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>
Black tern	(O)	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>

Pigeons and Doves

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Rock dove	(R)	<i>Columba livia</i>
Band-tailed pigeon	(S)	<i>Columba fasciata</i>
Mourning dove	(R)	<i>Zenaida macroura</i>
Eurasian collared dove	(R)	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>

Owls, Goatsuckers, and Swifts

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Barn owl	(R)	<i>Tyto alba</i>
Western screech-owl	(R)	<i>Otus kennicottii</i>
Great horned owl	(R)	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>
Northern pygmy-owl	(R)	<i>Glaucidium californicum</i>
Long-eared owl	(O)	<i>Asio otus</i>
Short-eared owl	(W)	<i>Asio flammeus</i>
Northern saw-whet owl	(R)	<i>Aegolius acadicus</i>
Common nighthawk	(S)	<i>Chordeiles minor</i>
Black swift	(O)	<i>Cypseloides niger</i>
Vaux's swift	(S)	<i>Chaetura vauxi</i>

Hummingbirds

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
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Anna's hummingbird	(R)	<i>Calypte anna</i>
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Rufous hummingbird	(S)	<i>Selasphorus rufus</i>
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Kingfishers

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
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Belted kingfisher	(R)	<i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>
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Woodpeckers

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
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Lewis' woodpecker	(W)	<i>Melanerpes lewis</i>
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Acorn woodpecker	(R)	<i>Melanerpes formicivorus</i>
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Red-breasted sapsucker	(R)	<i>Sphyrapicus ruber</i>
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Downy woodpecker	(R)	<i>Picoides pubescens</i>
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Hairy woodpecker	(R)	<i>Picoides villosus</i>
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Northern flicker	(R)	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>
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Pileated woodpecker	(R)	<i>Dryocopus pileatus</i>
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Flycatchers

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
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Olive-sided flycatcher	(S)	<i>Contopus borealis</i>
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Western wood-pewee	(S)	<i>Contopus sordidulus</i>
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Willow flycatcher	(S)	<i>Empidonax traillii</i>
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Hammond's flycatcher	(S)	<i>Empidonax hammondii</i>
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Pacific-slope flycatcher	(S)	<i>Empidonax difficilis</i>
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Black phoebe	(O)	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>
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Say's phoebe	(O)	<i>Sayornis saya</i>
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Ash-throated flycatcher	(O)	<i>Myiarchus cinerascens</i>
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Western kingbird	(S)	<i>Tyrannus verticalis</i>
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Skrikes

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Northern shrike	(W)	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>

Vireos

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Cassin's vireo	(S)	<i>Vireo cassinii</i>
Hutton's vireo	(R)	<i>Vireo huttoni</i>
Warbling vireo	(S)	<i>Vireo gilvus</i>

Jays and Crows

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Gray jay	(O)	<i>Perisoreus canadensis</i>
Steller's jay	(R)	<i>Cyanocitta stelleri</i>
Western scrub-jay	(R)	<i>Aphelocoma californica</i>
American crow	(R)	<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>
Common raven	(R)	<i>Corvus corax</i>

Swallows

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Purple martin	(S)	<i>Progne subis</i>
Tree swallow	(S)	<i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>
Violet-green swallow	(S)	<i>Tachycineta thalassina</i>
Northern rough-winged swallow	(S)	<i>Stelgidopteryx serripennis</i>
Cliff swallow	(S)	<i>Hirundo pyrrhonota</i>
Barn swallow	(S)	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>

Chickadees, Bushtits, Nutatches, and Creepers

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Black-capped chickadee	(R)	<i>Parus atricapillus</i>
Chestnut-backed chickadee	(R)	<i>Parus rufescens</i>
Bushtit	(R)	<i>Psaltriparus minimus</i>

Chickadees, Bushtits, Nuthatches, and Creepers

Red-breasted nuthatch	(R)	<i>Sitta canadensis</i>
White-breasted nuthatch	(R)	<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>
Brown creeper	(R)	<i>Certhia americana</i>

Wrens

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Bewick's wren	(R)	<i>Thryomanes bewickii</i>
House wren	(S)	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>
Winter wren	(R)	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
Marsh wren	(R)	<i>Cistothorus palustris</i>

Kinglets and Gnatcatchers

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Golden-crowned kinglet	(R)	<i>Regulus satrapa</i>
Ruby-crowned kinglet	(W)	<i>Regulus calendula</i>
Blue-gray gnatcatcher	(O)	<i>Polioptila caerulea</i>

Thrushes, Wrenit, and Mockingbirds

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Western bluebird	(R)	<i>Sialia mexicana</i>
Townsend's solitaire	(O)	<i>Myadestes townsendi</i>
Swainson's thrush	(S)	<i>Catharus ustulatus</i>
Hermit thrush	(W)	<i>Catharus guttatus</i>
American robin	(R)	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>
Varied thrush	(W)	<i>Zoothera naevia</i>
Wrenit	(R)	<i>Chamaea fasciata</i>
Northern mockingbird	(O)	<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>

Starlings

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
European starling	(R)	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>

Pipits

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
American pipit	(W)	<i>Anthus rubescens</i>

Waxwings

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Cedar waxwing	(R)	<i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i>

Wood-Warblers, and Sparrows

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Tennessee warbler	(O)	<i>Vermivora peregrina</i>
Orange-crowned warbler	(R)	<i>Vermivora celata</i>
Nashville warbler	(S)	<i>Vermivora ruficapilla</i>
Yellow warbler	(S)	<i>Dendroica petechia</i>
Yellow-rumped warbler	(W)	<i>Dendroica coronata</i>
Black-throated gray warbler	(S)	<i>Dendroica nigrescens</i>
Townsend's warbler	(W)	<i>Dendroica townsendi</i>
Hermit warbler	(S)	<i>Dendroica occidentalis</i>
Palm warbler	(O, W)	<i>Dendroica palmarum</i>
MacGillivray's warbler	(S)	<i>Oporornis tolmiei</i>
Common yellowthroat	(S)	<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>
Wilson's warbler	(S)	<i>Wilsonia pusilla</i>
Yellow-breasted chat	(S)	<i>Icteria virens</i>

Tanagers

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Western tanager	(S)	<i>Piranga ludoviciana</i>

Towhees, Sparrows, Grosbeaks, and Buntings

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Spotted (rufous-sided) towhee	(R)	<i>Pipilo maculatus</i>
Chipping sparrow	(S)	<i>Spizella passerina</i>

Towhees, Sparrows, Grosbeaks, and Buntings

Clay-colored sparrow	(O)	<i>Spizella pallida</i>
Vesper sparrow	(S)	<i>Poocetes gramineus</i>
Savannah sparrow	(R)	<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>
Grasshopper sparrow	(O)	<i>Ammodramus savannarum</i>
Fox sparrow	(W)	<i>Passerella iliaca</i>
Song sparrow	(R)	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>
Lincoln's sparrow	(W)	<i>Melospiza lincolni</i>
Swamp sparrow	(O)	<i>Melospiza georgiana</i>
White-throated sparrow	(O)	<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>
Golden-crowned sparrow	(W)	<i>Zonotrichia atricapilla</i>
White-crowned sparrow	(R)	<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys</i>
Harris sparrow	(O)	<i>Zonotrichia querula</i>
Dark-eyed (Oregon) junco	(R)	<i>Junco hyemalis</i>
Rose-breasted grosbeak	(O)	<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>
Black-headed grosbeak	(S)	<i>Pheucticus melanocephalus</i>
Lazuli bunting	(S)	<i>Passerina amoena</i>

Blackbirds, Meadowlarks, and Orioles

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Red-winged blackbird	(R)	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>
Western meadowlark	(R)	<i>Sturnella neglecta</i>
Yellow-headed blackbird	(R)	<i>Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus</i>
Brewer's blackbird	(R)	<i>Euphagus cyanocephalus</i>
Brown-headed cowbird	(S)	<i>Molothrus ater</i>
Bullock's oriole	(S)	<i>Icterus bullockii</i>

Finches, Goldfinches, and Weaver Finches

Common Name	Code	Scientific Name
Purple finch	(R)	<i>Carpodacus purpureus</i>
House finch	(R)	<i>Carpodacus mexicanus</i>
Red crossbill	(R)	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>

Finches, Goldfinches, and Weaver Finches

Pine siskin	(W)	<i>Carduelis pinus</i>
Lesser goldfinch	(R)	<i>Carduelis psaltria</i>
American goldfinch	(R)	<i>Carduelis tristis</i>
Evening grosbeak	(W)	<i>Hesperiphona vespertina</i>
House sparrow	(R)	<i>Passer domesticus</i>