

Common Bird Species List for the Tri-Cities, Washington area

Prepared by Lower Columbia Basin Audubon

(Only most likely locations and seasons are noted; does not include birds only seen when migrating)

Common species by Group	Seen In Winter	Seen In Summer	Resident All Year	Seen in Yards / Feeders	Seen In Rivers	Seen In Ponds	Seen In Parks	Seen at McNary Refuge	Other likely location
Pied-billed Grebe	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
American White Pelican			Resident		Rivers				
Double-crested Cormorant			Resident		Rivers			McNary	
Great Blue Heron			Resident		Rivers			McNary	
Canada Goose			Resident		Rivers	Ponds	Parks	McNary	
Gadwall	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
American Wigeon	Winter				Rivers	Ponds	Parks		
Mallard			Resident		Rivers	Ponds	Parks	McNary	
Northern Shoveler	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
Northern Pintail	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
Green-winged Teal	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
Bufflehead	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
Common Goldeneye	Winter				Rivers				
Red-tailed Hawk			Resident				Parks	McNary	On power poles
American Kestrel			Resident				Parks	McNary	On power lines
Ring-necked Pheasant			Resident				Parks	McNary	
California Quail			Resident	Yards			Parks	McNary	
American Coot			Resident		Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
Killdeer			Resident	Yards			Parks		Mostly seen in summer
Ring-billed Gull			Resident				Parks		
California Gull			Resident				Parks		
Rock Pigeon			Resident				Parks		On building roofs
Mourning Dove			Resident	Yards			Parks	McNary	
Northern Flicker			Resident	Yards			Parks		
Western Kingbird		Summer					Parks		On power lines
Black-billed Magpie			Resident	Yards			Parks	McNary	
American Crow			Resident	Yards			Parks		
Horned Lark			Resident						On rural road edges

Common species by Group (continued)	Seen Om Winter	Seen In Summer	Resident All Year	Seen in Yards / Feeders	Seen In Rivers	Seen In Ponds	Seen In Parks	Seen at McNary Refuge	Other likely location
Cliff Swallow		Summer					Parks	McNary	Nesting under bridges
Barn Swallow		Summer					Parks	McNary	
American Robin			Resident	Yards			Parks	McNary	
European Starling			Resident	Yards			Parks	McNary	Huge flocks in winter
Yellow-rumped Warbler	Winter			Yards			Parks		
Song Sparrow			Resident	Yards			Parks	McNary	
White-crowned Sparrow	Winter			Yards			Parks	McNary	
Dark-eyed Junco	Winter			Yards			Parks	McNary	
Red-winged Blackbird		Summer	Resident			Ponds	Parks	McNary	
House Finch			Resident	Yards			Parks	McNary	
American Goldfinch			Resident	Yards			Parks	McNary	
House Sparrow			Resident	Yards			Parks		In parking lots
Somewhat Common but harder to find									
Common Loon	Winter				Rivers				
Horned Grebe	Winter				Rivers				
Western Grebe	Winter				Rivers				
Black-crowned Night-Heron		Summer					Parks	McNary	
Wood Duck			Resident			Ponds		McNary	
Canvasback	Winter				Rivers			McNary	
Redhead	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
Ring-necked Duck	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
Lesser Scaup	Winter				Rivers				
Hooded Merganser	Winter				Rivers	Ponds			
Common Merganser	Winter				Rivers				
Ruddy Duck	Winter				Rivers	Ponds		McNary	
Osprey		Summer			Rivers				On nesting poles
Bald Eagle	Winter				Rivers		Parks	McNary	
Northern Harrier			Resident					McNary	Flying low over fields
Sharp-shinned Hawk	Winter			Yards			Parks		
American Avocet		Summer				Ponds			

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Black-necked Stilt		Summer				Ponds			
Greater Yellowlegs		Summer			Rivers	Ponds			Very few in winter
Herring Gull	Winter				Rivers				
Caspian Tern		Summer			Rivers				
Great Horned Owl			Resident				Parks		
Belted Kingfisher			Resident		Rivers				
Downy Woodpecker			Resident				Parks		
Eastern Kingbird		Summer					Parks		
Bank Swallow		Summer			Rivers		Parks		
Black-capped Chickadee			Resident				Parks		
Bewick's Wren			Resident				Parks		
Marsh Wren		Summer				Ponds		McNary	
Cedar Waxwing	Winter			Yards			Parks		On fruiting trees
Varied Thrush	Winter			Yards			Parks		On fruiting trees
Spotted Towhee	Winter			Yards			Parks		
Black-headed Grosbeak		Summer		Yards			Parks		
Western Meadowlark		Summer							In rural fields & areas
Yellow-headed Blackbird		Summer				Ponds	Parks	McNary	
Brewer's Blackbird		Summer				Ponds			Along rural roads
Bullock's Oriole		Summer		Yards			Parks		

Parks include locations such as Howard Amon, Leslie Groves, Columbia, Sacajawea, Bateman Island and many more. McNary is listed because of its diversity of habitat; some birds are more common there than in other local parks. Birds may be seen in locations where they are not listed.