

Matagorda Bay Bird Fest Bird Checklist



This checklist provides participants of the Matagorda Bay Birdfest with a list of bird species expected during the event, held in late March. The checklist shows the abundance of the species and is intended for use during event field trips during the weekend. (updated 3/9/2023)

Ducks and Geese

<input type="checkbox"/>	Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fulvous Whistling-Duck	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	Greater White-fronted Goose	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Snow Goose	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ross' Goose	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wood Duck	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gadwall	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	American Wigeon	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mallard	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mottled Duck	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Blue-winged Teal	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cinnamon Teal	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	Northern Shoveler	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Northern Pintail	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Green-winged Teal	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Canvasback	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Redhead	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ring-necked Duck	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lesser Scaup	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bufflehead	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Common Goldeneye	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hooded Merganser	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-breasted Merganser	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ruddy Duck	Uncommon

Quail

<input type="checkbox"/>	Northern Bobwhite	Uncommon
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Grebes, Pelicans and Cormorants

<input type="checkbox"/>	Common Loon	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Least Grebe	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pied-billed Grebe	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Eared Grebe	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Northern Gannet	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	American White Pelican	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Brown Pelican	Abundant
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neotropical Cormorant	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Double-crested Cormorant	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Anhinga	Uncommon

Hérons, Egrets and Ibis

<input type="checkbox"/>	American Bittern	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Great Blue Heron	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Great Egret	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Snowy Egret	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Little Blue Heron	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tricolored Heron	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reddish Egret	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cattle Egret	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Green Heron	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Black-crowned Night-Heron	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	White Ibis	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Glossy Ibis	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	White-faced Ibis	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Roseate Spoonbill	Uncommon

Vultures, Hawks and Falcons

<input type="checkbox"/>	Black Vulture	Common
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Turkey Vulture	Abundant
<input type="checkbox"/>	Osprey	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	White-tailed Kite	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Swallow-tailed Kite	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bald Eagle	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Northern Harrier	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sharp-shinned Hawk	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cooper's Hawk	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-shouldered Hawk	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	White-tailed Hawk	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-tailed Hawk	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Crested Caracara	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	American Kestrel	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Merlin	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Peregrine Falcon	Uncommon

Rails, Coots and Cranes

<input type="checkbox"/>	Black Rail	Rare
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clapper Rail	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	King Rail	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Virginia Rail	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sora	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Common Gallinule	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	American Coot	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sandhill Crane	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Whooping Crane	Rare

Shorebirds

<input type="checkbox"/>	Black-bellied Plover	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	American Golden Plover	Common
<input type="checkbox"/>	Snowy Plover	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wilson's Plover	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Semipalmated Plover	Uncommon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Piping Plover	Uncommon

_____	Killdeer	Abundant
_____	American Oystercatcher	Uncommon
_____	Upland Sandpiper	Uncommon
_____	Black-necked Stilt	Common
_____	American Avocet	Common
_____	Greater Yellowlegs	Common
_____	Lesser Yellowlegs	Common
_____	Solitary Sandpiper	Uncommon
_____	Willet	Common
_____	Spotted Sandpiper	Uncommon
_____	Whimbrel	Uncommon
_____	Long-billed Curlew	Common
_____	Marbled Godwit	Uncommon
_____	Ruddy Turnstone	Common
_____	Red Knot	Rare
_____	Sanderling	Common
_____	Semipalmated Sandpiper	Uncommon
_____	Western Sandpiper	Common
_____	Least Sandpiper	Abundant
_____	Pectoral Sandpiper	Uncommon
_____	Baird's Sandpiper	Rare
_____	Dunlin	Abundant
_____	Stilt Sandpiper	Uncommon
_____	Short-billed Dowitcher	Common
_____	Long-billed Dowitcher	Common
_____	Wilson's Snipe	Uncommon
_____	Wilson's Phalarope	Uncommon

Gulls and Terns

_____	Laughing Gull	Abundant
_____	Bonaparte's Gull	Uncommon
_____	Ring-billed Gull	Common
_____	Herring Gull	Common

_____	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Uncommon
_____	Least Tern	Uncommon
_____	Gull-billed Tern	Uncommon
_____	Caspian Tern	Uncommon
_____	Black Tern	Rare
_____	Royal Tern	Common
_____	Sandwich Tern	Common
_____	Common Tern	Uncommon
_____	Forster's Tern	Abundant
_____	Black Skimmer	Uncommon

Hummingbirds and Swifts

_____	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Uncommon
_____	Chimney Swift	Uncommon

Doves and Cuckoos

_____	Rock Pigeon	Common
_____	Eurasian Collared Dove	Common
_____	White-winged Dove	Abundant
_____	Mourning Dove	Abundant
_____	Inca Dove	Uncommon
_____	Common Ground-Dove	Rare
_____	Groove-billed Ani	Rare

Owls

_____	Barn Owl	Uncommon
_____	Eastern Screech-Owl	Uncommon
_____	Great Horned Owl	Common
_____	Burrowing Owl	Rare
_____	Barred Owl	Uncommon
_____	Short-eared Owl	Uncommon
_____	Belted Kingfisher	Common
_____	Green Kingfisher	Rare

Woodpeckers

_____	Red-bellied Woodpecker	Abundant
_____	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Uncommon
_____	Ladder-backed Woodpecker	Uncommon
_____	Downy Woodpecker	Uncommon
_____	Northern Flicker	Uncommon
_____	Pileated Woodpecker	Common

Flycatchers

_____	Least Flycatcher	Rare
_____	Eastern Phoebe	Common
_____	Say's Phoebe	Rare
_____	Vermilion Flycatcher	Uncommon
_____	Brown-crested Flycatcher	Rare
_____	Great Crested Flycatcher	Rare
_____	Great Kiskadee	Rare
_____	Couch's Kingbird	Uncommon
_____	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	Uncommon
_____	Loggerhead Shrike	Common

Vireos

_____	White-eyed Vireo	Common
_____	Blue-headed Vireo	Uncommon

Crows, Jays and Larks

_____	Blue Jay	Common
_____	American Crow	Abundant
_____	Horned Lark	Uncommon
_____	Eastern Meadowlark	Common
_____	Western Meadowlark	Rare

Swallows

_____	Purple Martin	Common
_____	Tree Swallow	Common
_____	N. Rough-winged Swallow	Common
_____	Cave Swallow	Uncommon

_____ Cliff Swallow Uncommon
_____ Barn Swallow Common

Chickadees and Titmice

_____ Carolina Chickadee Common
_____ Tufted Titmouse Common

Wrens

_____ Carolina Wren Common
_____ Bewick's Wren Rare
_____ House Wren Common
_____ Winter Wren Uncommon
_____ Sedge Wren Common
_____ Marsh Wren Common
_____ Golden-crowned Kinglet Uncommon
_____ Ruby-crowned Kinglet Common
_____ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Common
_____ Eastern Bluebird Common

Thrushes and Thrashers

_____ Hermit Thrush Common
_____ American Robin Common
_____ Gray Catbird Uncommon
_____ Brown Thrasher Uncommon
_____ Long-billed Thrasher Rare
_____ European Starling Abundant
_____ American Pipit Common
_____ Sprague's Pipit Rare
_____ Cedar Waxwing Uncommon

Warblers

_____ Orange-crowned Warbler Uncommon
_____ Nashville Warbler Uncommon
_____ Louisiana Waterthrush Rare
_____ Northern Parula Uncommon

_____ Yellow-rumped Warbler Common
_____ Black-throated Green Warbler Uncommon
_____ Yellow-throated Warbler Uncommon
_____ Palm Warbler Uncommon
_____ Black-and-white Warbler Uncommon
_____ Worm-eating Warbler Rare
_____ Prothonotary Warbler Rare
_____ Tennessee Warbler Uncommon
_____ Common Yellowthroat Common
_____ Hooded Warbler Uncommon
_____ American Redstart Rare
_____ Wilson's Warbler Rare
_____ Yellow-breasted Chat Rare

Sparrows

_____ Chipping Sparrow Common
_____ Field Sparrow Uncommon
_____ Vesper Sparrow Uncommon
_____ Lark Sparrow Uncommon
_____ Savannah Sparrow Abundant
_____ Grasshopper Sparrow Uncommon
_____ LeConte's Sparrow Uncommon
_____ Nelson's Sparrow Uncommon
_____ Seaside Sparrow Uncommon
_____ Song Sparrow Uncommon
_____ Lincoln's Sparrow Common
_____ Swamp Sparrow Common
_____ White-throated Sparrow Common
_____ White-crowned Sparrow Uncommon
_____ Northern Cardinal Abundant
_____ Indigo Bunting Uncommon
_____ Painted Bunting Rare

Blackbirds and Grackles

_____ Red-winged Blackbird Abundant
_____ Brewer's Blackbird Uncommon
_____ Great-tailed Grackle Abundant
_____ Boat-tailed Grackle Common
_____ Common Grackle Common
_____ Brown-headed Cowbird Abundant
_____ Bronzed Cowbird Rare

Finches

_____ American Goldfinch Common
_____ House Sparrow Abundant