SOUTH DAKOTA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist for the Winter Season

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Statewide status codes indicated after each species name - R = regular (7-10 of the last 10 years); C = casual (3-6 of the last 10 years); A = accidental (3 or fewer times of the last 10 years); and H = hypothetical (probable but not proven to have been seen in the state). A species preceded by an asterisk (*) is considered regular for the selected checklist.

| Ducks, Geese, and Swans | * Ring-necked Pheasant (R) | Pelicans (Pelecanidae) | * American Kestrel (R) | Dippers (Cinclidae) | Eastern Towhee (R) |
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| (Anatidae) | Grebes (Podicipedidae) | American White Pelican (R) | * Merlin (R) | * American Dipper (R) | Blackbirds (Icteridae) |
| * Snow Goose (R) | * Pied-billed Grebe (R) | Bitterns, Herons, and Allies | * Gyrfalcon (R) | Thrushes (Turdidae) | Yellow-headed Blackbird (R) |
| * Ross's Goose (R) | * Horned Grebe (R) | (Ardeidae) | Peregrine Falcon (R) | * Eastern Bluebird (R) | * Western Meadowlark (R) |
| * Greater White-fronted Goose | Red-necked Grebe (R) | Black-crowned Night-Heron (R) | * Prairie Falcon (R) | Mountain Bluebird (R) | * Red-winged Blackbird (R) |
| (R) | Eared Grebe (R) | * Great Blue Heron (R) | Tyrant Flycatchers | * Townsend's Solitaire (R) | Brown-headed Cowbird (R) |
| Brant (C) | * Western Grebe (R) | | (Tyrannidae) | Varied Thrush (C) | * Rusty Blackbird (R) |
| * Cackling Goose (R) | Pigeons and Doves | New World Vultures | Great Kiskadee (A) | Hermit Thrush (R) | Brewer's Blackbird (R) |
| * Canada Goose (R) | (Columbidae) | (Cathartidae) | Shrikes (Laniidae) | * American Robin (R) | * Common Grackle (R) |
| Mute Swan (C) | * Rock Pigeon (R) | Turkey Vulture (R) | * Northern Shrike (R) | Old World Sparrows | Great-tailed Grackle (R) |
| Trumpeter Swan (R) | * Eurasian Collared-Dove (R) | Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and | , , | • | Wood-Warblers (Parulidae) |
| Tundra Swan (R) | White-winged Dove (R) | Allies (Accipitridae) | Jays and Crows (Corvidae) | (Passeridae) | Cape May Warbler (R) |
| * Wood Duck (R) | * Mourning Dove (R) | * Golden Eagle (R) | * Canada Jay (R) | * House Sparrow (R) | Pine Warbler (A) |
| Blue-winged Teal (R) | | * Northern Harrier (R) | * Pinyon Jay (R) | Eurasian Tree Sparrow (C) | * Yellow-rumped Warbler (R) |
| * Northern Shoveler (R) | Rails, Gallinules, and Coots | * Sharp-shinned Hawk (R) | * Blue Jay (R) | Fringilline and Cardueline | Cardinals, Piranga Tanager |
| * Gadwall (R) | (Rallidae) | * Cooper's Hawk (R) | * Black-billed Magpie (R) | Finches and Allies | |
| * American Wigeon (R) | Virginia Rail (R) | * American Goshawk (R) | Clark's Nutcracker (R) | (Fringillidae) | and Allies (Cardinalidae) |
| * Mallard (R) | * American Coot (R) | * Bald Eagle (R) | * American Crow (R) | Evening Grosbeak (R) | * Northern Cardinal (R) |
| American Black Duck (C) | Cranes (Gruidae) | Red-shouldered Hawk (C) | Common Raven (R) | Pine Grosbeak (R) | Rose-breasted Grosbeak (R) |
| * Northern Pintail (R) | Sandhill Crane (R) | Swainson's Hawk (R) | Chickadees and Titmice | Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch (C) | |
| * Green-winged Teal (R) | Lapwings and Plovers | * Red-tailed Hawk (R) | (Paridae) | * House Finch (R) | |
| * Canvasback (R) | (Charadriidae) | * Rough-legged Hawk (R) | * Black-capped Chickadee (R) | * Purple Finch (R) | Copyright South Dakota |
| * Redhead (R) | Killdeer (R) | * Ferruginous Hawk (R) | Larks (Alaudidae) | Cassin's Finch (R) | Ornithologists' Union. 2025. All Rights |
| * Ring-necked Duck (R) | Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and | Barn Owls (Tytonidae) | * Horned Lark (R) | * Common Redpoll (R) | |
| * Greater Scaup (R) | • • • • • • | American Barn Owl (R) | Kinglets (Regulidae) | * Red Crossbill (R) | Reserved. |
| * Lesser Scaup (R) | Allies (Scolopacidae) | Typical Owls (Strigidae) | * Golden-crowned Kinglet (R) | White-winged Crossbill (C) | |
| Harlequin Duck (A) | Baird's Sandpiper (R) | * Eastern Screech-Owl (R) | Ruby-crowned Kinglet (R) | * Pine Siskin (R) | |
| Surf Scoter (R) | American Woodcock (R) | * Great Horned Owl (R) | Waxwings (Bombycillidae) | Lesser Goldfinch (R) | |
| White-winged Scoter (R) | * Wilson's Snipe (R) | * Snowy Owl (R) | * Bohemian Waxwing (R) | * American Goldfinch (R) | |
| Black Scoter (R) | Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers | * Barred Owl (R) | * Cedar Waxwing (R) | Longspurs and Snow | |
| * Long-tailed Duck (R) | (Laridae) | * Long-eared Owl (R) | | Buntings (Calcariidae) | |
| * Bufflehead (R) | Black-legged Kittiwake (C) | * Short-eared Owl (R) | Nuthatches (Sittidae) | * Lapland Longspur (R) | |
| * Common Goldeneye (R) | * Bonaparte's Gull (R) | * Northern Saw-whet Owl (R) | * Red-breasted Nuthatch (R) | Chestnut-collared Longspur (R) | |
| Barrow's Goldeneye (R) | Laughing Gull (A) | , , | * White-breasted Nuthatch (R) | • , | |
| * Hooded Merganser (R) | Franklin's Gull (R) | Kingfishers (Alcedinidae) | * Pygmy Nuthatch (R) | * Snow Bunting (R) | |
| * Common Merganser (R) | Short-billed Gull (R) | * Belted Kingfisher (R) | Creepers (Certhiidae) | New World Sparrows and | |
| * Red-breasted Merganser (R) | * Ring-billed Gull (R) | Woodpeckers and Allies | * Brown Creeper (R) | Towhees (Passerellidae) | |
| * Ruddy Duck (R) | * California Gull (R) | (Picidae) | Wrens (Troglodytidae) | Chipping Sparrow (R) | |
| New World Quail | * American Herring Gull (R) | Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (R) | Canyon Wren (R) | Field Sparrow (R) | |
| | * Iceland Gull (R) | * Lewis's Woodpecker (R) | Pacific Wren (R) | * Fox Sparrow (R) | |
| (Odontophoridae) | * Lesser Black-backed Gull (R) | Red-headed Woodpecker (R) | Winter Wren (R) | * American Tree Sparrow (R) | |
| Northern Bobwhite (R) | * Glaucous Gull (R) | * Red-bellied Woodpecker (R) | Marsh Wren (R) | * Dark-eyed Junco (R) | |
| Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, | Great Black-backed Gull (R) | American Three-toed | Carolina Wren (C) | * White-crowned Sparrow (R) | |
| and Old World Quail | Loons (Gaviidae) | Woodpecker (R) | Mockingbirds and Thrashers | Golden-crowned Sparrow (A) | |
| (Phasianidae) | Pacific Loon (R) | Black-backed Woodpecker (R) | (Mimidae) | * Harris's Sparrow (R) | |
| * Wild Turkey (R) | Common Loon (R) | * Downy Woodpecker (R) | Gray Catbird (R) | * White-throated Sparrow (R) | |
| Ruffed Grouse (R) | Yellow-billed Loon (A) | * Hairy Woodpecker (R) | Brown Thrasher (R) | Vesper Sparrow (R) | |
| Greater Sage-Grouse (R) | Cormorants | Pileated Woodpecker (R) | Northern Mockingbird (R) | Savannah Sparrow (R) | |
| * Sharp-tailed Grouse (R) | | * Northern Flicker (R) | • , , | * Song Sparrow (R) | |
| * Greater Prairie-Chicken (R) | (Phalacrocoracidae) | Caracaras and Falcons | Starlings (Sturnidae) | Swamp Sparrow (R) | |
| * Gray Partridge (R) | * Double-crested Cormorant (R) | (Falconidae) | * European Starling (R) | * Spotted Towhee (R) | |

(Falconidae)