

CHECKLIST OF THE BIRDS

UPPER OAK CREEK CANYON, ARIZONA INCLUDING WEST FORK, CAVE SPRINGS AND PINE FLATS

A Northern Arizona Bird Sanctuary

The Northern Arizona Bird Sanctuary program recognizes places that provide regionally important bird habitat and exceptional birding opportunities. This designation is intended to increase public interest in birds and awareness of the natural values of these special places.

KEY

C Common – expected to be present

F Fairly common – often present

U Uncommon – occurs regularly, but often absent

R Rare – occurs infrequently

I Irregular – not predictable in occurrence

X Accidental – very few records, out of range or habitat

p permanent resident

s summer resident

w winter resident

m migrant

* recorded breeding

Herons, Egrets & Ibis

___ Great Blue Heron C-m/s *

Ducks, Geese & Swans

___ Green-winged Teal X

___ Mallard F-p

___ Common Merganser U-s

___ Bufflehead X

___ Wood Duck R

Vultures, Hawks, Eagles & Falcons

___ Turkey Vulture C-m/s

___ Bald Eagle R-w/m

___ Osprey U-m/s

___ Sharp-shinned Hawk F-m

___ Cooper's Hawk F-m

___ Common Black-Hawk F-m/s *

___ Broad-winged Hawk R-m

___ Swainson's Hawk R-m

___ Zone-tailed Hawk U-s

___ Red-tailed Hawk C-p

___ Golden Eagle R-p

___ American Kestrel R-m

___ Peregrine Falcon U-m/s *

Partridges, Grouse, Turkey & Quail

___ Gambel's Quail U-s

Plovers & Sandpipers

___ Spotted Sandpiper I-m

Pigeons, Doves & Cuckoos

___ Band-tailed Pigeon U-p

___ Eurasian Collared Dove R

___ White-winged Dove R

___ Mourning Dove U-s/w

Owls, Nightjars & Kingfishers

___ Common Poorwill X

___ Mexican Whip-poor-will R

___ Common Nighthawk R-m

___ Great Horned Owl U-p

___ Northern Pygmy-Owl U-p

___ Belted Kingfisher F-p

Swifts & Hummingbirds

___ White-throated Swift C-m/s

___ Calliope Hummingbird R-m

___ Anna's Hummingbird U-s *

___ Costa's Hummingbird X

___ Broad-tailed Hummingbird C-s/m *

___ Rufous Hummingbird F-m

___ Black-chinned Hummingbird F-m

___ Magnificent Hummingbird U-s

___ Blue-throated Hummingbird X

Woodpeckers

___ Acorn Woodpecker F-p *

___ Gila Woodpecker I

___ Williamson's Sapsucker X

___ Red-naped Sapsucker U-m

___ Ladder-backed Woodpecker I

___ Downy Woodpecker U-p

___ Hairy Woodpecker C-p *

___ Northern Flicker C-p *

Flycatchers

___ Olive-sided Flycatcher R-m

___ Greater Pewee R-m

___ Western Wood-Pewee F-m/s *

___ Willow Flycatcher R-m

___ Hammond's Flycatcher U-m

___ Cordilleran Flycatcher F-s *

___ Dusky Flycatcher U-m

___ Gray Flycatcher U-m

___ Black Phoebe C-s *

___ Say's Phoebe R

___ Dusky-capped Flycatcher X

___ Ash-throated Flycatcher R-s

___ Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher R-s

___ Brown-crested Flycatcher R-s

Shrikes, Vireos, Jays & Crows

___ Bell's Vireo R-m

___ Plumbeous Vireo C-m/s *

___ Cassin's Vireo R-m

___ Warbling Vireo C-m/s *

___ Hutton's Vireo R-m/s

___ Steller's Jay C-p *

___ Western Scrub-Jay I

___ Pinyon Jay I

___ American Crow R

___ Common Raven C-p *

Larks & Swallows

___ Violet-Green Swallow C-m/s

___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow U-m/s

___ Cliff Swallow R-s/m

Chickadees, Nuthatches & Creepers

___ Mountain Chickadee	F-p
___ Bridled Titmouse	F-p
___ Bushtit	I
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch	R-w
___ White-breasted Nuthatch	C-p *
___ Pygmy Nuthatch	U-p
___ Brown Creeper	F-p

Wrens, Gnatcatchers, Kinglets & Dippers

___ Canyon Wren	F-m
___ Rock Wren	U-m/s
___ Bewick's Wren	I
___ Pacific Wren	U-w, R-s
___ House Wren	C-s *
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	F-m, U-w
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet	R
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	F-s *
___ American Dipper	U-w, R-s*

Thrushes, Thrashers & Allies

___ Western Bluebird	U
___ Townsend's Solitaire	I
___ Hermit Thrush	F-m/s
___ American Robin	C-p *
___ Cedar Waxwing	U-m/w
___ European Starling	U-m
___ Phainopepla	X

Warblers

___ Olive Warbler	I
___ Northern Waterthrush	R-m
___ Orange-crowned Warbler	U-m/s
___ Nashville Warbler	R-m
___ Virginia's Warbler	F-m/s *
___ Lucy's Warbler	C-s *
___ Northern Parula	R-m
___ Yellow Warbler	C-s *
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler	C-m
___ Black-throated Gray Warbler	F-m/s
___ Grace's Warbler	F-s *
___ Kentucky Warbler	R-m

___ American Redstart	X
___ Townsend's Warbler	U-m
___ Hermit Warbler	R-m
___ Northern Waterthrush	R-m
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler	X
___ MacGillivray's Warbler	U-m
___ Common Yellowthroat	U-m, R-s
___ Hooded Warbler	R-m
___ Red-faced Warbler	F-m/s *
___ Wilson's Warbler	C-m
___ Painted Redstart	C-s *
___ Yellow-breasted Chat	U-m

Tanagers, Grosbeaks & Buntings

___ Summer Tanager	F-s
___ Hepatic Tanager	U-m/s
___ Western Tanager	C-m/s *
___ Northern Cardinal	X
___ Black-headed Grosbeak	C-m/s *
___ Blue Grosbeak	R-m
___ Lazuli Bunting	C-m, U-s *
___ Indigo Bunting	U-m, U-s *

Sparrows

___ Green-tailed Towhee	U-m
___ Spotted Towhee	C-p *
___ Canyon Towhee	X
___ Chipping Sparrow	U-m/p
___ Brewer's Sparrow	X
___ Lark Sparrow	R-m
___ Fox Sparrow	X
___ Song Sparrow	U-m
___ Lincoln's Sparrow	U-m
___ Swamp Sparrow	X
___ White-throated Sparrow	X
___ White-crowned Sparrow	U-m
___ Dark-eyed Junco	C-m/w, U-s*

Blackbirds & Orioles

___ Brown-headed Cowbird	F-s *
___ Bullock's Oriole	C-s *
___ Hooded Oriole	R-m

Finches & Weavers

___ House Finch	F-m
___ Cassin's Finch	R
___ Pine Siskin	F-p
___ Lesser Goldfinch	C-p *
___ American Goldfinch	R-m
___ Evening Grosbeak	I-w/m
___ Red Crossbill	I
___ House Sparrow	R

Directions to Upper Oak Creek Canyon

From Flagstaff, south on 89A. Cave Springs Campground is just past milepost 386, ~3 miles from the base of the switchbacks. There is a small parking lot at the entrance road (you can walk through the campground without an additional fee). West Fork is another half-mile (separate fee required for access and parking).

From Sedona, north on 89A. West Fork is near milepost 388. Cave Springs Campground is just before milepost 386.



Visit northernarizonaaudubon.org for additional information on outstanding birding locations in Northern Arizona. Two publications, *Birding Sedona & the Verde Valley* and *Birding the Flagstaff Area* can be purchased online.

Contact Upper Oak Creek Sanctuary Steward John Grahame at jdgrahame@gmail.com to report new sightings.

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