

# Sea & Sage Audubon

## The 2009 Coastal Christmas Bird Count - 1/3/10

*This CBC was organized & compiled by Steve Alter.*

### AREAS COVERED with their area leaders:

2. Westminster Memorial Park & Corner of Seal Beach NWR (Area Leader: Vic Leipzig)
3. HCP, Wintersberg Channel, Seapoint (Area Leaders: Pat & Dick Cabe)
4. Bolsa Chica (Area Leader: Terry Hill)
5. Mile Square Park (Area Leader: Irene Horiuchi)
6. SA River Mouth, HB Pier, 19th St. Willows, Canyon Park, SA Golf Course (Area Leader: Jim Pike)
7. Older Areas within Santa Ana (Area Leader: Carol Getz)
- 8/9. Centennial Reg. Park, (former) MCAS Blimp Base (Area Leader: Dick Purvis)
- 10/11. Upper Newport Bay - west side (Area Leader: Bettina Eastman)
12. Upper Newport Bay - east side (Area Leader: Marian Alter)
13. UCI, San Joaquin Marsh, San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary (Area Leaders: Jan Gaffney & Nancy Kenyon)
14. Mason Reg. Park, UCI Foothills, Corona del Mar (Area Leader: Doug Willick)
15. Newport Harbor & Beaches (Area Leader: Gary Meredith)
16. Pelagic Areas along the coast (Area Leader: Jerry Tolman)

**Total number of species: 201.**

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	Goose, Egyptian (Exotic)				9			3	2	2		2			18
1	Greater White-fronted Goose				6										6
	Snow Goose														CW
2	Brant			15											15
3	Cackling Goose			1											1
4	Canada Goose	478	162	353	24	2					310	35			1364
	Mute Swan (Exotic)			CW											CW
	Black Swan (Exotic)							2							2
	Mandarin Duck (Exotic)	1													1
5	Gadwall	4	13	61	2	13		6	21	6	32				158
6	Eurasian Wigeon									4					4
7	American Wigeon	280	544	295	224	569	1	98	252	276	8	45			2592
8	Mallard	140	310	20	116	85	19	85	176	9	62	32	22		1076
9	Blue-winged Teal	25	2	31	6	15			11	12	5				107
10	Cinnamon Teal	42	12	32	6	6		6	11	3	37				155
11	Northern Shoveler	19	65	479	109	4		122	36	9	449	12			1304
12	Northern Pintail			862		23			19	48	30				982
13	Green-winged Teal	20	27	220		5			73	25	85				455
14	Canvasback					17									17
15	Redhead			46	7				21		4				78
16	Ring-necked Duck										8				8
17	Greater Scaup			2						2					4
18	Lesser Scaup	4	15	375	3	235		6	53	123			131		945

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19	Surf Scoter		4023	71					7			3	158		4262
20	White-winged Scoter			1											1
21	Black Scoter												1		1
22	Bufflehead	2	2	219		81			31	25	11	2	147		520
23	Common Goldeneye					6					1		4		11
24	Hooded Merganser	5	5		1						3				14
25	Red-breasted Merganser			54	1	31							1	1	88
26	Ruddy Duck	14	74	677	31	51		11	94	18	55	60	120		1205
27	California Quail										12	2			14
28	Red throated Loon		5										18	1	24
29	Pacific Loon		33									1	11	8	53
30	Common Loon		1										2	2	5
31	Pied-billed Grebe		30	45	4			8	6	5	28	2	4		132
32	Horned grebe								6				2		8
33	Eared Grebe		4	19		5				2	11	21	20	2	84
34	Western Grebe	2	725	42	2	12		1	25	14	6		171		1000
35	Clark's Grebe		6	27		1			1				4		39
36	Northern Fulmar												2		2
37	Pink-footed Shearwater												1	4	5
38	Black-vented Shearwater											45	69	371	485
39	American White Pelican		1	1							6	1			9
40	Brown Pelican		51	31		3			5	18	7	15	131	120	381
41	Brandt's Cormorant											17	46	625	688

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42	Double-crested Cormorant	22	173	96	88		1	40	48	27	219	23	45		782
43	Pelagic Cormorant											1		3	4
44	American Bittern			2					2						4
	Least Bittern										cw				cw
45	Great Blue Heron	4	7	22	1	5	1	2	4	10	13	1	4		74
46	Great Egret	4	19	36	2	2		2	7	13	6	1	1		93
47	Snowy Egret	14	16	40	6	13		4	6	7	7	7	19	1	140
48	Reddish Egret			3											3
49	Green Heron	1		2		1					3				7
50	Black-crowned Night-Heron		7	40	4	1		5	2		39	1	1		100
51	White-faced Ibis	7	5		66	2		2			34				116
52	Turkey Vulture		2	cw		8		44			4	26			84
53	Osprey			cw		2		1	2	2			3		10
54	White-tailed Kite		1	3							2	1			7
55	Northern Harrier	1	2	10					4	3	2		1		23
56	Sharp-shinned Hawk		2	1								1			4
57	Cooper's Hawk	7	10	2	4	2	2			1	4	2	1		35
58	Red-shouldered Hawk	1	3			1		1		2	4	8	1		21
59	Red-tailed Hawk	25	13	11	2	7	7	4	3	3	10	9	2		96
60	American Kestrel	10	6	11	4	9	3	2	3	1	6	1	2		58
61	Merlin		1				2								3
62	Peregrine Falcon			2							1				3
63	Clapper Rail			cw					12	11					23

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64	Virginia Rail									9	5				14
65	Sora			cw						6	2				8
66	Common Moorhen			1							5				6
67	American Coot	173	506	702	370	52	1	286	180	256	282	150	46		3004
68	Black-bellied Plover	1		1196		12			82	11		1	6		1309
69	Pacific-Golden Plover			3											3
70	Snowy Plover		45	10											55
71	Semipalmated Plover	3	88	629		142									862
72	Killdeer	79	2	132	1	15	35	4	9	9	61		40		387
73	Black Oystercatcher												2	2	4
74	Black-necked Stilt	34	28	45		10					113				230
75	American Avocet	6	2	132		11			203	99	13				466
76	Spotted Sandpiper	11	6	3	3	2	1	4			11		1		42
77	Wandering Tattler											1			1
78	Greater Yellowlegs	7	2	13		5	1	1	8		1	1			39
79	Willet	18	14	198		74			212	247		2	151		916
80	Lesser Yellowlegs			1		1					2				4
81	Whimbrel	1		4		3			3	6		1	3		21
82	Long-billed Curlew	1		33		4			4	13		1			56
83	Marbled Godwit	1	9	201		24			83	339		2	37		696
84	Bar-Tailed Godwit								1						1
85	Ruddy Turnstone			24								2			26
86	Black Turnstone											3	2		5

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87	Surfbird											13	1		14
88	Red Knott			12		12									24
89	Sanderling	6	351	32		3							63		455
90	Western Sandpiper	400	342	9771		365			21	3110	1				14010
91	Least Sandpiper	57	6	196		455		6	12	50	163		120		1065
92	Dunlin	12		94		18				18					142
93	Short-billed Dowitcher	12		306		1									319
94	Long-billed Dowitcher	25		30		170		10	163	40	42	10			490
95	Wilson's Snipe	20	1			2		1							24
96	Bonaparte's Gull					362							1	3000	3363
97	Heermann's Gull		170	4						1		60	154	70	459
98	Mew Gull				1	2									3
99	Ring-billed Gull	76	550	634	317	85	48	122	2	189	19	61	76		2179
100	Western Gull	26	331	192	90	20		4	3	17	5	65	298	100	1151
101	California Gull	1	2000	246	317	235	15	5	2	48	9	2	9	50	2939
102	Herring Gull	1	3	26		1									31
103	Glaucous-winged Gull	1	9	6	1	3						1			21
	Glaucous-winged/West. Gull (hybrid)					1								1	2
104	Caspian Tern		1	5		1			1	4	4	1	10		27
105	Forster's Tern		69	27		10			5	13	36	10	27		197
106	Royal Tern		18											2	20
107	Black Skimmer								30	25					55
108	Pomarine Jaeger												1	1	2

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109	Parasitic Jaeger												1		1
110	Xantus' Murrelet													3	3
111	Cassin's Auklet													50	50
112	Rhinoceros Auklet													10	10
113	Rock Pigeon	377	310	71	104	69	380	135	108	59	4	39	245		1901
114	Band-tailed Pigeon						9								9
115	Mourning Dove	213	101	105	126	28	108	8	7	24	57	30	26		833
	Rose-ringed Parakeet (Exotic)						1								1
	Blue-crowned Parakeet (Exotic)						1								1
	Mitred Parakeet (Exotic)						16				2				18
	White-fronted Parrot (Exotic)						2								2
116	Red-crowned Parrot						67								67
	Lilac-crowned Parrot (Exotic)						33								33
	Red-lored Parrot (Exotic)						22								22
	Yellow-headed Parrot (Exotic)						5								5
	Blue-fronted Parrot (Exotic)						8								8
117	Greater Roadrunner	2													2
118	Barn Owl									1					1
119	Great Horned Owl		2	2	1										5
120	Burrowing Owl								2		1				3
121	White-throated Swift			89		3									92
122	Anna's Hummingbird	46	119	34	70	71	61	13	62	58	120	155	8		817
123	Costa's Hummingbird						1								1

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124	Allen's Hummingbird	11	82	25	36	65	23	5	37	37	28	94	7		450
125	Belted Kingfisher	2	2	7	1	3			7	3	8		5		38
126	Acorn Woodpecker						3								3
127	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				1							1			2
128	Red-naped Sapsucker					1			1						2
129	Red-breasted Sapsucker				2										2
130	Nuttall's Woodpecker	1	2	2	4	5	2		2	5	11	29	2		65
131	Downy Woodpecker	4	8	4	5	1	1	3		1	3	8			38
132	Northern Flicker	12	7	5	5	15	2		6	5	4	15			76
133	Black Phoebe	43	160	29	65	22	46	11	19	30	45	101	13		584
134	Say's Phoebe	15	19	19	9	10	8	2	3	10	15	7	3		120
	Vermilion Flycatcher				CW						CW				CW
135	Cassin's Kingbird	11	19	13	14	9	13	7	4	9	9	26			134
136	Western Kingbird										1				1
137	Loggerhead Shrike	2		2		1			1	1					7
138	Plumbeous Vireo								1			1			2
139	Hutton's Vireo		5		2	3				6	3	14			33
140	Western Scrub-Jay	2	1				2				1	3			9
141	American Crow	159	192	21	105	66	165	45	40	42	243	142	32		1252
142	Common Raven		6	3	7	3	6	2	2	3	1	8	5		46
143	Tree Swallow									2	68				70
144	Northern Rough-winged Swallow			2							37				39
145	Barn Swallow			1											1



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146	Mountain Chickadee											2			2
147	Bushtit	56	219	65	50	75	117	38	70	137	294	386			1507
	White-breasted Nuthatch														CW
148	Cactus Wren								1			1			2
149	Rock Wren					1					2				3
150	Bewick's Wren		1				1		1		4	6			13
151	House Wren		10	6	3	9	1	1	5	5	2	24	2		68
152	Marsh Wren		1	2					1	20	43	2			69
153	Golden-crowned Kinglet		1									2			3
154	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	13	114		42	31	9		25	4	40	150			428
155	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		9	10	2	8				2	62	7			100
156	California Gnatcatcher								3	7	6	11			27
157	Western Bluebird	38	43		30	3	16	10	2	15		30			187
158	Hermit Thrush	2	31		3	15			5	9	7	20	2		94
159	American Robin		7			3					1	2			13
160	Wrentit								1	3	1	17			22
161	Northern Mockingbird	17	11	1	11	8	50	3	13	12	3	18	7		154
162	California Thrasher										4	7			11
163	European Starling	588	191	90	173	30	190	1005		191	204	79	30		2771
164	American Pipit	74	140	2		55	18	150	13	5	24	31			512
165	Cedar Waxwing	35	197	CW	38	12	98	12	10	27	64	174			667
166	Orange-crowned Warbler	5	28	1	6	34	4		18	4	7	117	3		227
	Nashville Warbler					CW									CW

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167	Yellow Warbler										2				2
168	Yellow-rumped Warbler (Aud)	470	994	90	314	381	412	92	202	510	212	921	40		4638
	Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myrtle)					3			1			5			9
169	Black-throated Gray Warbler								1						1
170	Townsend's Warbler	6	21		8	7	2	1	5	1		30	2		83
171	Palm Warbler					1									1
172	Black-and-white Warbler				1										1
173	American Redstart				1							1			2
174	Northern Waterthrush										1				1
175	Common Yellowthroat	5	23	24	7	27	cw	1	11	36	236	88			458
176	Wilson's Warbler		7		1	1			2		5	1			17
177	Spotted Towhee		5	cw	4	14			2	6	24	34			89
178	California Towhee		14	14				1	1	22	2	39			93
179	Chipping Sparrow	2					4								6
180	Lark Sparrow				2	2						3			7
181	Savannah Sparrow (common)	63	2	48	3	8				52		1			177
	Savannah Sparrow (Belding's)		1	125					3						129
	Savannah Sparrow (Large-billed)			5											5
182	Fox Sparrow		1	cw	8	4			1						14
183	Song Sparrow	7	31	11		30	3	1	9	38	192	162	3		487
184	Lincoln's Sparrow		2	5	3	10			1			4			25
185	White-throated Sparrow		1												1
186	White-crowned Sparrow	101	355	220	131	145	34		38	55	168	64	10		1321

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187	Golden-crowned Sparrow		1		1	6				2		4			14
188	Dark-eyed Junco (Oregon)		11		14	13		1	8	2		69			118
	Dark-eyed Junco (slate-colored)											1			1
189	Summer Tanager					1						2			3
190	Western Tanager				1				1						2
191	Red-winged Blackbird		65	32	1	14		10		9	248	5			384
192	Western Meadowlark	60	48	80		70	1		1		1	25			286
193	Brewer's Blackbird	143	50		13	9	3	55							273
194	Great-tailed Grackle		12								56				68
195	Brown-headed Cowbird	18						25		1					44
196	Orchard Oriole					1									1
	Hooded Oriole				cw										cw
197	Bullock's Oriole		3			4						4			11
198	House Finch	279	275	316	217	53	320	20	47	236	131	346	92		2332
199	Lesser Goldfinch	63	74	12	108	25	70	5	63	86	87	175	3		771
200	American Goldfinch	25	89		56	25	4	15	8		24	41	2		289
201	House Sparrow	92	159	38	141	5	333	32	2	21			52		875
	Nutmeg Mannikin (Exotic)		4	45	34	16				6	12	35			152
	Japanese White-Eye (Exotic)								1						1

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No.of species	88	116	125	84	121	63	61	101	99	110	111	76	23	
area exclusives	1	1	7	3	3	4	0	2	2	4	2	3	3	
No.of individuals	5216	15216	21654	3812	5093	3404	2605	2880	7784	5132	4596	2788	4429	84609
No.of observers	13	10	18	8	2	11	3	5	9	27	6	9	4	125
Time began:	645	630	630	745	700	730	630	700	630	630	645	700	800	630
Time finished:	1630	1700	1645	1610	1730	1540	1430	1630	1630	1730	1715	1700	1300	1730