

# BIRDS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

An Introductory Birding Skills Workshop  
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## BIRD LIST

The birds covered each week are listed below. For the assistance of those who have old worksheets, significant additions (all caps.) and deletions [brackets] that have occurred over the years are indicated.

### 1. NEIGHBORHOOD

House Finch  
House Sparrow  
California Towhee  
Western Scrub-Jay  
Northern Mockingbird  
European Starling  
Bushtit  
Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
White-crowned Sparrow  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER  
[Spotted Dove deleted]

### 2. FIELDS AND PARKING LOTS

Ring-billed Gull - adult only  
California Gull - adult only  
American Crow  
Brewer's Blackbird  
Brown-headed Cowbird  
Savannah Sparrow - widespread subspecies  
American Pipit  
Killdeer  
Marbled Godwit  
Long-billed Curlew  
MOURNING DOVE - moved from Group 1  
ROCK PIGEON

### 3. MUDFLATS AND SHALLOW WATER

Great Blue Heron  
Great Egret  
Snowy Egret  
American Avocet  
Black-necked Stilt  
Willet - nonbreeding plumage  
Dowitcher (2 species as unit) - nonbreeding  
Western Sandpiper - nonbreeding  
Least Sandpiper - nonbreeding  
Black-bellied Plover

### 4. OCEAN SHORE

Sanderling - nonbreeding  
Western Gull - adult  
Heermann's Gull - adult  
Ruddy Turnstone  
Black Turnstone  
Whimbrel  
Double-crested Cormorant  
Brown Pelican  
Forster's Tern  
Western Grebe  
Common Loon  
Surf Scoter

### 5. OPEN COUNTRY

Western Bluebird  
California Thrasher  
Wrentit  
Bewick's Wren  
CACTUS WREN  
CALIFORNIA GNATCATCHER  
Spotted Towhee  
Greater Roadrunner  
California Quail  
Western Meadowlark

### 6. RAPTORS AND LOOK-ALIKES

Red-tailed Hawk  
American Kestrel  
Red-shouldered Hawk  
Barn Owl  
Great Horned Owl  
[Burrowing Owl - deleted]  
Northern Harrier  
White-tailed Kite  
Cooper's and Sharp-shinned Hawk (as a unit)  
Osprey  
Turkey Vulture  
[Loggerhead Shrike - deleted]  
Common Raven

### 7. RIPARIAN WOODLAND I

House Wren  
Hermit Thrush  
Swainson's Thrush  
Hutton's Vireo  
Oak Titmouse  
Cedar Waxwing  
American Robin

### 8. RIPARIAN WOODLAND II

Belted Kingfisher  
Acorn Woodpecker  
Nuttall's Woodpecker  
Northern Flicker  
[Red-breasted Sapsucker - deleted]  
Ash-throated Flycatcher  
Cassin's Kingbird  
Western Kingbird  
Cliff Swallow  
Northern Rough-winged Swallow  
Barn Swallow  
White-throated Swift  
Anna's Hummingbird  
Black-chinned Hummingbird  
Hooded Oriole - male  
Bullock's Oriole - male  
Black-headed Grosbeak

9. **BAYS, LAKES AND MARSHES**

Red-winged Blackbird  
Song Sparrow  
Savannah Sparrow (2 subspecies)  
Marsh Wren  
Common Yellowthroat - male  
Green Heron  
Black-crowned Night-Heron  
Mallard, including domestics - male  
Northern Pintail - male  
Green-winged Teal - male  
Cinnamon Teal - male  
American Wigeon - male  
Northern Shoveler - male  
Canvasback - male  
Lesser Scaup - male  
Bufflehead - male  
Ruddy Duck - male  
Red-breasted Merganser  
Ridgeway's (old Clapper) Rail  
Sora  
Pied-billed Grebe  
American Coot  
Canada Goose  
GREYLAG GOOSE & domestic  
Muscovy Duck  
Chinese/Swan Goose  
Egyptian Goose