

# KANSAS BIRDS: Species List for Rooks County, KS

## WHISTLING-DUCKS

\_\_\_ Black-bellied Whistling-Duck

## GEESE, SWANS

\_\_\_ Snow Goose  
\_\_\_ Ross's Goose  
\_\_\_ Greater White-fronted Goose  
\_\_\_ Cackling Goose  
\_\_\_ Canada Goose\*  
\_\_\_ Trumpeter Swan  
\_\_\_ Tundra Swan

## DUCKS

\_\_\_ Wood Duck\*  
\_\_\_ Blue-winged Teal\*  
\_\_\_ Cinnamon Teal  
\_\_\_ Northern Shoveler  
\_\_\_ Gadwall  
\_\_\_ American Wigeon  
\_\_\_ Mallard§  
\_\_\_ Northern Pintail  
\_\_\_ Green-winged Teal  
\_\_\_ Canvasback  
\_\_\_ Redhead  
\_\_\_ Ring-necked Duck  
\_\_\_ Greater Scaup  
\_\_\_ Lesser Scaup  
\_\_\_ Surf Scoter  
\_\_\_ White-winged Scoter  
\_\_\_ Long-tailed Duck  
\_\_\_ Bufflehead  
\_\_\_ Common Goldeneye  
\_\_\_ Hooded Merganser  
\_\_\_ Common Merganser  
\_\_\_ Red-breasted Merganser  
\_\_\_ Ruddy Duck

## QUAIL

\_\_\_ Northern Bobwhite\*

## TURKEY, GROUSE, PHEASANT

\_\_\_ Wild Turkey§  
\_\_\_ Greater Prairie-Chicken§  
\_\_\_ Ring-necked Pheasant\*

## GREBES

\_\_\_ Pied-billed Grebe\*  
\_\_\_ Horned Grebe  
\_\_\_ Eared Grebe  
\_\_\_ Western Grebe  
\_\_\_ Clark's Grebe

## PIGEONS, DOVES

\_\_\_ Rock Pigeon\*  
\_\_\_ Eurasian Collared-Dove  
\_\_\_ White-winged Dove  
\_\_\_ Mourning Dove\*

## CUCKOOS

\_\_\_ Yellow-billed Cuckoo  
\_\_\_ Black-billed Cuckoo

## NIGHTJARS

\_\_\_ Common Nighthawk§  
\_\_\_ Common Poorwill\*

## SWIFTS

\_\_\_ Chimney Swift§

## HUMMINGBIRDS

\_\_\_ Ruby-throated Hummingbird\*  
\_\_\_ Calliope Hummingbird

## RAILS, GALLINULES

\_\_\_ Virginia Rail  
\_\_\_ Sora  
\_\_\_ American Coot\*

## CRANES

\_\_\_ Sandhill Crane  
\_\_\_ Whooping Crane

## STILTS, AVOCETS

\_\_\_ Black-necked Stilt  
\_\_\_ American Avocet

## PLOVERS

\_\_\_ Black-bellied Plover  
\_\_\_ American Golden-Plover  
\_\_\_ Killdeer\*  
\_\_\_ Semipalmated Plover  
\_\_\_ Piping Plover\*  
\_\_\_ Snowy Plover\*

## SANDPIPERS

\_\_\_ Upland Sandpiper\*  
\_\_\_ Whimbrel  
\_\_\_ Long-billed Curlew  
\_\_\_ Hudsonian Godwit  
\_\_\_ Marbled Godwit  
\_\_\_ Ruddy Turnstone  
\_\_\_ Stilt Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Sanderling  
\_\_\_ Baird's Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Least Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ White-rumped Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Buff-breasted Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Pectoral Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Semipalmated Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Western Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Short-billed Dowitcher  
\_\_\_ Long-billed Dowitcher  
\_\_\_ Wilson's Snipe  
\_\_\_ Spotted Sandpiper\*  
\_\_\_ Solitary Sandpiper  
\_\_\_ Lesser Yellowlegs  
\_\_\_ Willet  
\_\_\_ Greater Yellowlegs  
\_\_\_ Wilson's Phalarope  
\_\_\_ Red-necked Phalarope

## GULLS

\_\_\_ Black-legged Kittiwake  
\_\_\_ Bonaparte's Gull

\_\_\_ Little Gull  
\_\_\_ Laughing Gull  
\_\_\_ Franklin's Gull  
\_\_\_ Ring-billed Gull  
\_\_\_ California Gull  
\_\_\_ Herring Gull  
\_\_\_ Iceland Gull  
\_\_\_ Lesser Black-backed Gull  
\_\_\_ Glaucous Gull

## TERNs

\_\_\_ Least Tern\*  
\_\_\_ Caspian Tern  
\_\_\_ Black Tern  
\_\_\_ Common Tern  
\_\_\_ Forster's Tern

## LOONS

\_\_\_ Pacific Loon  
\_\_\_ Common Loon

## DARTERS

\_\_\_ Anhinga

## CORMORANTS

\_\_\_ Double-crested Cormorant  
\_\_\_ Neotropic Cormorant

## PELICANS

\_\_\_ American White Pelican

## HERONS

\_\_\_ Least Bittern  
\_\_\_ American Bittern  
\_\_\_ Little Blue Heron  
\_\_\_ Snowy Egret  
\_\_\_ Yellow-crowned Night Heron  
\_\_\_ Black-crowned Night Heron  
\_\_\_ Green Heron\*  
\_\_\_ Great Egret  
\_\_\_ Western Cattle-Egret  
\_\_\_ Great Blue Heron\*

## IBISES

\_\_\_ Glossy Ibis  
\_\_\_ White-faced Ibis

## VULTURES

\_\_\_ Turkey Vulture

## OSPREY, HAWKS, KITES, EAGLES

\_\_\_ Osprey  
\_\_\_ Golden Eagle  
\_\_\_ Northern Harrier  
\_\_\_ Sharp-shinned Hawk  
\_\_\_ Cooper's Hawk  
\_\_\_ American Goshawk  
\_\_\_ Bald Eagle§  
\_\_\_ Mississippi Kite  
\_\_\_ Broad-winged Hawk  
\_\_\_ Swainson's Hawk\*  
\_\_\_ Red-tailed Hawk\*

\_\_\_ Rough-legged Hawk  
\_\_\_ Ferruginous Hawk

### BARN OWLS

\_\_\_ American Barn Owl\*

### OWLS

\_\_\_ Eastern Screech-Owl  
\_\_\_ Great Horned Owl\*  
\_\_\_ Snowy Owl  
\_\_\_ Burrowing Owl  
\_\_\_ Long-eared Owl  
\_\_\_ Short-eared Owl  
\_\_\_ Northern Saw-whet Owl

### KINGFISHERS

\_\_\_ Belted Kingfisher

### WOODPECKERS

\_\_\_ Red-headed Woodpecker\*  
\_\_\_ Red-bellied Woodpecker  
\_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker  
\_\_\_ Downy Woodpecker\*  
\_\_\_ Hairy Woodpecker\*  
\_\_\_ Northern Flicker\*  
\_\_\_ Pileated Woodpecker

### FALCONS

\_\_\_ American Kestrel\*  
\_\_\_ Merlin  
\_\_\_ Peregrine Falcon  
\_\_\_ Prairie Falcon

### FLYCATCHERS

\_\_\_ Great Crested Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Western Kingbird\*  
\_\_\_ Eastern Kingbird\*  
\_\_\_ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Olive-sided Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Western Wood-Pewee  
\_\_\_ Eastern Wood-Pewee  
\_\_\_ Willow Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Least Flycatcher  
\_\_\_ Eastern Phoebe\*  
\_\_\_ Say's Phoebe\*

### VIREOS

\_\_\_ White-eyed Vireo  
\_\_\_ Bell's Vireo\*  
\_\_\_ Blue-headed Vireo  
\_\_\_ Philadelphia Vireo  
\_\_\_ Warbling Vireo\*  
\_\_\_ Red-eyed Vireo

### SHRIKES

\_\_\_ Loggerhead Shrike\*  
\_\_\_ Northern Shrike

### JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS

\_\_\_ Pinyon Jay  
\_\_\_ Blue Jay\*  
\_\_\_ Black-billed Magpie\*  
\_\_\_ American Crow\*

### CHICKADEES, TITMICE

\_\_\_ Black-capped Chickadee\*

### LARKS

\_\_\_ Horned Lark§

### SWALLOWS

\_\_\_ Bank Swallow  
\_\_\_ Tree Swallow  
\_\_\_ N. Rough-winged Swallow\*  
\_\_\_ Purple Martin\*  
\_\_\_ Barn Swallow\*  
\_\_\_ Cliff Swallow\*

### KINGLETS

\_\_\_ Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Kinglet

### WAXWINGS

\_\_\_ Bohemian Waxwing  
\_\_\_ Cedar Waxwing

### NUTHATCHES

\_\_\_ Red-breasted Nuthatch  
\_\_\_ White-breasted Nuthatch§

### CREEPERS

\_\_\_ Brown Creeper

### GNATCATCHERS

\_\_\_ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

### WRENS

\_\_\_ Rock Wren  
\_\_\_ Bewick's Wren  
\_\_\_ Carolina Wren  
\_\_\_ Northern House Wren\*  
\_\_\_ Winter Wren  
\_\_\_ Marsh Wren

### THRASHERS

\_\_\_ Gray Catbird  
\_\_\_ Brown Thrasher\*  
\_\_\_ Northern Mockingbird

### STARLINGS

\_\_\_ European Starling\*

### THRUSHES

\_\_\_ Eastern Bluebird  
\_\_\_ Mountain Bluebird  
\_\_\_ Townsend's Solitaire  
\_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush  
\_\_\_ Hermit Thrush  
\_\_\_ Wood Thrush  
\_\_\_ American Robin\*

### OLD WORLD SPARROWS

\_\_\_ House Sparrow\*

### PIPITS

\_\_\_ American Pipit  
\_\_\_ Sprague's Pipit

### FINCHES

\_\_\_ Evening Grosbeak  
\_\_\_ House Finch  
\_\_\_ Purple Finch  
\_\_\_ Red Crossbill  
\_\_\_ Pine Siskin  
\_\_\_ American Goldfinch§

### LONGSPURS

\_\_\_ Lapland Longspur  
\_\_\_ Chestnut-collared Longspur  
\_\_\_ Snow Bunting

### SPARROWS

\_\_\_ Grasshopper Sparrow\*  
\_\_\_ Lark Sparrow\*  
\_\_\_ Lark Bunting§  
\_\_\_ Chipping Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Clay-colored Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Field Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Fox Sparrow  
\_\_\_ American Tree Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Dark-eyed Junco  
\_\_\_ White-crowned Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Harris's Sparrow  
\_\_\_ White-throated Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Vesper Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Savannah Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Song Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Lincoln's Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Swamp Sparrow  
\_\_\_ Spotted Towhee  
\_\_\_ Eastern Towhee

### CHATS

\_\_\_ Yellow-breasted Chat

### BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES

\_\_\_ Yellow-headed Blackbird  
\_\_\_ Bobolink  
\_\_\_ Eastern Meadowlark  
\_\_\_ Western Meadowlark\*  
\_\_\_ Orchard Oriole\*  
\_\_\_ Bullock's Oriole  
\_\_\_ Baltimore Oriole\*  
\_\_\_ Red-winged Blackbird\*  
\_\_\_ Brown-headed Cowbird\*  
\_\_\_ Rusty Blackbird  
\_\_\_ Brewer's Blackbird  
\_\_\_ Common Grackle\*  
\_\_\_ Great-tailed Grackle

### WARBLERS

\_\_\_ Ovenbird  
\_\_\_ Northern Waterthrush  
\_\_\_ Black-and-white Warbler  
\_\_\_ Tennessee Warbler  
\_\_\_ Orange-crowned Warbler  
\_\_\_ Nashville Warbler  
\_\_\_ Mourning Warbler  
\_\_\_ Common Yellowthroat§  
\_\_\_ American Redstart  
\_\_\_ Northern Parula  
\_\_\_ Magnolia Warbler  
\_\_\_ Yellow Warbler§  
\_\_\_ Chestnut-sided Warbler  
\_\_\_ Blackpoll Warbler  
\_\_\_ Pine Warbler

\_\_\_ Yellow-rumped Warbler  
\_\_\_ Black-throated Green Warbler  
\_\_\_ Wilson's Warbler

**GROSBEAKS, BUNTINGS**

\_\_\_ Summer Tanager  
\_\_\_ Western Tanager  
\_\_\_ Northern Cardinal§  
\_\_\_ Rose-breasted Grosbeak  
\_\_\_ Black-headed Grosbeak  
\_\_\_ Blue Grosbeak  
\_\_\_ Lazuli Bunting  
\_\_\_ Indigo Bunting  
\_\_\_ Dickcissel\*

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† Fewer than ten Kansas records

[ ] Hypothetical species

§ Probable breeding species

\* Confirmed breeding species

Probable and confirmed breeding species as defined by the Kansas Breeding Bird Atlas Project.

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