

# KANSAS BIRDS: Species List for Thomas County, KS

## GEESE, SWANS

- \_\_\_ Snow Goose
- \_\_\_ Cackling Goose
- \_\_\_ Canada Goose\*

## DUCKS

- \_\_\_ Wood Duck
- \_\_\_ Blue-winged Teal
- \_\_\_ Cinnamon Teal
- \_\_\_ Northern Shoveler
- \_\_\_ Gadwall
- \_\_\_ American Wigeon
- \_\_\_ Mallard§
- \_\_\_ Northern Pintail
- \_\_\_ Green-winged Teal
- \_\_\_ Canvasback
- \_\_\_ Redhead
- \_\_\_ Ring-necked Duck
- \_\_\_ Lesser Scaup
- \_\_\_ Bufflehead
- \_\_\_ Common Goldeneye
- \_\_\_ Hooded Merganser
- \_\_\_ Ruddy Duck

## QUAIL

- \_\_\_ Northern Bobwhite§

## TURKEY, GROUSE, PHEASANT

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

## GREBES

- \_\_\_ Pied-billed Grebe
- \_\_\_ Eared Grebe
- \_\_\_ Western Grebe

## PIGEONS, DOVES

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

## CUCKOOS

- \_\_\_ Yellow-billed Cuckoo

## NIGHTJARS

- \_\_\_ Common Nighthawk
- \_\_\_ Chuck-will's-widow

## SWIFTS

- \_\_\_ Chimney Swift§

## HUMMINGBIRDS

- \_\_\_ Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- \_\_\_ Rufous Hummingbird

## RAILS, GALLINULES

- \_\_\_ American Coot

## CRANES

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

## STILTS, AVOCETS

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

## PLOVERS

- \_\_\_ Black-bellied Plover
- \_\_\_ Killdeer\*
- \_\_\_ Semipalmated Plover
- \_\_\_ Mountain Plover

## SANDPIPERS

- \_\_\_ Upland Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Whimbrel
- \_\_\_ Long-billed Curlew
- \_\_\_ Marbled Godwit
- \_\_\_ 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

## GULLS

- \_\_\_ Franklin's Gull
- \_\_\_ Ring-billed Gull

## TERNs

- \_\_\_ Black Tern
- \_\_\_ Forster's Tern

## LOONS

- \_\_\_ Common Loon

## CORMORANTS

- \_\_\_ Double-crested Cormorant

## PELICANS

- \_\_\_ American White Pelican

## HERONS

- \_\_\_ Great Blue Heron\*
- \_\_\_ Great Egret
- \_\_\_ Snowy Egret
- \_\_\_ Little Blue Heron
- \_\_\_ Cattle Egret
- \_\_\_ Green Heron
- \_\_\_ Black-crowned Night-Heron

## IBISES

- \_\_\_ White-faced Ibis

## VULTURES

- \_\_\_ Turkey Vulture

## OSPREY, HAWKS, KITES, EAGLES

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

## BARN OWLS

- \_\_\_ Barn Owl

## OWLS

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

## KINGFISHERS

- \_\_\_ Belted Kingfisher

## WOODPECKERS

- \_\_\_ Red-headed Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Red-bellied Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
- \_\_\_ Red-naped Sapsucker
- \_\_\_ Downy Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Hairy Woodpecker
- \_\_\_ Northern Flicker§

## FALCONS

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

## FLYCATCHERS

- \_\_\_ Great Crested Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Western Kingbird\*
- \_\_\_ Eastern Kingbird§
- \_\_\_ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Olive-sided Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Least Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Gray Flycatcher†
- \_\_\_ Dusky Flycatcher
- \_\_\_ Eastern Phoebe
- \_\_\_ Say's Phoebe

## VIREOS

- \_\_\_ Bell's Vireo

\_\_\_\_ Yellow-throated Vireo  
\_\_\_\_ Warbling Vireo§  
\_\_\_\_ Red-eyed Vireo

#### SHRIKES

\_\_\_\_ Loggerhead Shrike

#### JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS

\_\_\_\_ Blue Jay  
\_\_\_\_ Clark's Nutcracker  
\_\_\_\_ Black-billed Magpie  
\_\_\_\_ American Crow\*  
\_\_\_\_ Chihuahuan Raven\*

#### 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

\_\_\_\_ Cedar Waxwing

#### NUTHATCHES

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

#### CREEPERS

\_\_\_\_ Brown Creeper

#### GNATCATCHERS

\_\_\_\_ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

#### WRENS

\_\_\_\_ Rock Wren  
\_\_\_\_ Carolina Wren  
\_\_\_\_ House Wren§

#### THRASHERS

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

#### STARLINGS

\_\_\_\_ European Starling\*

#### THRUSHES

\_\_\_\_ Eastern Bluebird  
\_\_\_\_ Mountain Bluebird  
\_\_\_\_ Townsend's Solitaire  
\_\_\_\_ Gray-cheeked Thrush  
\_\_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush  
\_\_\_\_ Hermit Thrush  
\_\_\_\_ American Robin\*

#### OLD WORLD SPARROWS

\_\_\_\_ House Sparrow\*

#### PIPITS

\_\_\_\_ American Pipit

#### FINCHES

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

#### LONGSPURS

\_\_\_\_ Lapland Longspur  
\_\_\_\_ Chestnut-collared Longspur  
\_\_\_\_ Thick-billed Longspur

#### SPARROWS

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

#### CHATS

\_\_\_\_ Yellow-breasted Chat

#### BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES

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

#### WARBLERS

\_\_\_\_ Northern Waterthrush  
\_\_\_\_ Black-and-white Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Tennessee Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Orange-crowned Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Nashville Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ MacGillivray's Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Mourning Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Common Yellowthroat  
\_\_\_\_ American Redstart  
\_\_\_\_ Northern Parula  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow Warbler§

\_\_\_\_ Chestnut-sided Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Blackpoll Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Pine Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow-rumped Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Townsend's Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Warbler

#### GROSBEAKS, BUNTINGS

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

† 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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Rare birds noted with † should be reported to the Kansas Bird Records Committee (KBRC) care of Chuck Otte, 11319 Dundon Rd., Milford, KS 66514, [cotte@twinvalley.net](mailto:cotte@twinvalley.net)

More information on reporting rare birds can be found at the KBRC home page on the Kansas Ornithological Society's Web site at: <https://ksbirds.org>

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