

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*
- ___ 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.

This list was compiled from records of the Kansas Ornithological Society, Kansas Breeding Bird Atlas Project, and the Kansas Biological Survey.

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Please report any birds not on this list to Max Thompson, Southwestern College, Dept of Biology, 100 College St., Winfield, KS 67156, maxt@cox.net

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

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>

Please report additions or errors on this list to Chuck Otte, 11319 Dundon Rd., Milford, KS 66514 cotte@twinvalley.net

230 species

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