

KANSAS BIRDS: Species List for Elk County, KS

GEESE, SWANS

- ___ Snow Goose
- ___ Ross's Goose
- ___ Greater White-fronted Goose
- ___ Cackling Goose
- ___ Canada Goose*
- ___ Trumpeter Swan

DUCKS

- ___ Wood Duck
- ___ Blue-winged Teal
- ___ Northern Shoveler
- ___ Gadwall
- ___ American Wigeon
- ___ Mallard
- ___ American Black Duck
- ___ Northern Pintail
- ___ Green-winged Teal
- ___ Canvasback
- ___ Redhead
- ___ Ring-necked Duck
- ___ Greater Scaup
- ___ Lesser Scaup
- ___ 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

PIGEONS, DOVES

- ___ Rock Pigeon§
- ___ Eurasian Collared-Dove*
- ___ Mourning Dove*

CUCKOOS

- ___ Greater Roadrunner
- ___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo*
- ___ Black-billed Cuckoo

NIGHTJARS

- ___ Common Nighthawk§
- ___ Chuck-will's-widow§
- ___ Eastern Whip-poor-will

SWIFTS

- ___ Chimney Swift§

HUMMINGBIRDS

- ___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird*

RAILS, GALLINULES

- ___ Virginia Rail
- ___ Sora
- ___ American Coot

CRANES

- ___ Sandhill Crane

STILTS, AVOCETS

- ___ Black-necked Stilt
- ___ American Avocet

PLOVERS

- ___ Black-bellied Plover
- ___ American Golden-Plover
- ___ Killdeer*
- ___ Semipalmated Plover

SANDPIPERS

- ___ Upland Sandpiper§
- ___ Long-billed Curlew
- ___ Hudsonian Godwit
- ___ Marbled Godwit
- ___ Baird's Sandpiper
- ___ Least Sandpiper
- ___ White-rumped Sandpiper
- ___ Buff-breasted Sandpiper
- ___ Pectoral Sandpiper
- ___ Semipalmated Sandpiper
- ___ Long-billed Dowitcher
- ___ Wilson's Snipe
- ___ American Woodcock
- ___ Spotted Sandpiper
- ___ Solitary Sandpiper
- ___ Lesser Yellowlegs
- ___ Greater Yellowlegs
- ___ Wilson's Phalarope

GULLS

- ___ Bonaparte's Gull
- ___ Franklin's Gull
- ___ Ring-billed Gull
- ___ Herring Gull

TERNs

- ___ Caspian Tern
- ___ Black Tern
- ___ Forster's Tern

LOONS

- ___ Common Loon

CORMORANTS

- ___ Double-crested Cormorant

PELICANS

- ___ American White Pelican

HERONS

- ___ American Bittern§
- ___ Least Bittern
- ___ Great Blue Heron*
- ___ Great Egret

- ___ Snowy Egret
- ___ Little Blue Heron
- ___ Cattle Egret
- ___ Green Heron
- ___ Black-crowned Night-Heron
- ___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

IBISES

- ___ White-faced Ibis

VULTURES

- ___ Black Vulture
- ___ Turkey Vulture*

OSPREY, HAWKS, KITES,

EAGLES

- ___ Osprey
- ___ Golden Eagle
- ___ Northern Harrier
- ___ Sharp-shinned Hawk
- ___ Cooper's Hawk
- ___ American Goshawk
- ___ 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
- ___ Barred Owl
- ___ Short-eared 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
- ___ Gyrfalcon†
- ___ Prairie Falcon

FLYCATCHERS

- ___ Great Crested Flycatcher*
- ___ Western Kingbird*

___ Eastern Kingbird*
 ___ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher*
 ___ Eastern Wood-Pewee*
 ___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
 ___ Acadian Flycatcher§
 ___ Alder Flycatcher
 ___ Willow Flycatcher
 ___ Least Flycatcher
 ___ Eastern Phoebe*
 ___ Say's Phoebe

VIREOS

___ White-eyed Vireo
 ___ Bell's Vireo*
 ___ Yellow-throated Vireo§
 ___ Blue-headed Vireo
 ___ Philadelphia Vireo
 ___ Warbling Vireo
 ___ Red-eyed Vireo

SHRIKES

___ Loggerhead Shrike*

JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS

___ Blue Jay*
 ___ American Crow*
 ___ Fish Crow

CHICKADEES, TITMICE

___ Carolina Chickadee*
 ___ Black-capped Chickadee*
 ___ Tufted Titmouse*

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

___ Bewick's Wren*
 ___ Carolina Wren*
 ___ House Wren*
 ___ Winter Wren

___ Sedge Wren
 ___ Marsh Wren

THRASHERS

___ Gray Catbird
 ___ Brown Thrasher*
 ___ Northern Mockingbird*

STARLINGS

___ European Starling*

THRUSHES

___ Eastern Bluebird*
 ___ Mountain Bluebird
 ___ Veery
 ___ Swainson's Thrush
 ___ Hermit Thrush
 ___ Wood Thrush
 ___ American Robin*

OLD WORLD SPARROWS

___ House Sparrow*

PIPITS

___ American Pipit

FINCHES

___ Evening Grosbeak
 ___ Pine Grosbeak
 ___ House Finch§
 ___ Purple Finch
 ___ Pine Siskin
 ___ American Goldfinch§

LONGSPURS

___ Lapland Longspur
 ___ Smith's Longspur

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
 ___ Harris's Sparrow
 ___ White-throated Sparrow
 ___ Vesper Sparrow
 ___ Henslow's 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*
 ___ Baltimore Oriole*
 ___ Red-winged Blackbird*
 ___ Brown-headed Cowbird*
 ___ Rusty Blackbird
 ___ Brewer's Blackbird
 ___ Common Grackle*
 ___ Great-tailed Grackle*

WARBLERS

___ Ovenbird
 ___ Worm-eating Warbler
 ___ Northern Waterthrush
 ___ Louisiana Waterthrush§
 ___ Black-and-white Warbler§
 ___ Prothonotary Warbler*
 ___ Tennessee Warbler
 ___ Orange-crowned Warbler
 ___ Nashville Warbler
 ___ Mourning Warbler
 ___ Kentucky Warbler§
 ___ Common Yellowthroat§
 ___ Hooded Warbler
 ___ American Redstart
 ___ Northern Parula§
 ___ Yellow Warbler
 ___ Chestnut-sided Warbler
 ___ Blackpoll Warbler
 ___ Palm Warbler
 ___ Yellow-rumped Warbler
 ___ Yellow-throated Warbler
 ___ Black-throated Green Warbler
 ___ Wilson's Warbler

GROSBEAKS, BUNTINGS

___ Summer Tanager§
 ___ Scarlet Tanager
 ___ Northern Cardinal*
 ___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak
 ___ Blue Grosbeak*
 ___ Indigo Bunting*
 ___ Painted 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>

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259 species

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