

TIMMINS CHECKLIST OF BIRDS

This checklist includes the 256 species of birds that have been recorded within the Timmins city limit, listed in taxonomic order following the American Ornithologists' Society (AOS) classification.

Abundance and Seasonal Occurrence Codes

These codes are based on reported sightings and variations can occur for some species from year to year. Please contact timminsbirds@gmail.com if you observe a bird with the Very Rare (VR) or OBRC.

ABUNDANCE: Frequency of observation in the Timmins area.

A—Abundant: Can be found easily almost daily in the right season.

C—Common: Can be observed regularly when visiting suitable habitat in the right season.

U—Uncommon: Can be observed each year during the right season, with sufficient effort in suitable habitat. In some cases, can be difficult to find due to their secretive nature.

R—Rare: Observed rarely, roughly every 1 to 3 years, with effort in appropriate habitat and season.

VR—Very Rare: Not to be expected in our area but have been documented on rare occasion(s).

I—Irrregular/Irruptive: Numbers can vary each year depending on factors like cycles in natural food availability.

OBRC: Species on the Ontario Bird Records Committee's Central Review List. Please send details to OBRC when this species is observed in the area. (See Ontario Field Ornithologists website for OBRC Submission Form)

SEASONAL OCCURRENCE: During which season am I most likely to see this species?

M—Migration: Observed during spring and fall migration, does not breed in our area. (e.g., Tundra Swan, Dunlin, Rough-legged Hawk, Fox Sparrow)

B—Breeding: Breeding range includes our area, can be observed during spring, summer, and fall. (e.g., Northern Flicker, Cape May Warbler, Winter Wren)

Z—Resident: Present in the area all year long and breeds in the area (e.g., Black-capped Chickadee, Black-backed Woodpecker, Common Raven)

W—Winter: Observed mostly in winter or during fall-winter-spring (e.g., Gyrfalcon, Northern Shrike, Common Redpolls, Bohemian Waxwing)

X—Out of range/Accidental: Distribution range of this species does not include our area; vagrants (e.g., Harlequin Duck, Yellow-headed Blackbird) or species slightly north of their regular range but still occasionally observed (e.g., House Wren, Northern Mockingbird)

When out birdwatching, please remember that the well-being of birds is the highest priority. Do not share location of sensitive species, nesting birds and resting owls.

Contribute to knowledge on local birds by submitting your observations to ebird.org

ABUNDANCE	SEASON	SPECIES	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ducks, Geese and Waterfowl						
U	M	Snow Goose				
VR	X	Greater White-fronted Goose				
R	M	Brant				
R	M	Cackling Goose				
A	B	Canada Goose				
VR-OBRC	X	Mute Swan				
U	B	Trumpeter Swan				
U	M	Tundra Swan				
U	B	Wood Duck				
C	B	Blue-winged Teal				
C	B	Northern Shoveler				
U	M	Gadwall				
VR-OBRC	X	Eurasian Wigeon				
C	B	American Wigeon				
A	B	Mallard				
U	B	American Black Duck				
U	M	Northern Pintail				
C	B	Green-winged Teal				
R	M	Canvasback				
U	M	Redhead				
C	B	Ring-necked Duck				
U	M	Greater Scaup				
C	B	Lesser Scaup				
VR-OBRC	X	Harlequin Duck				
R	M	Surf Scoter				
U	M	White-winged Scoter				
R	M	Black Scoter				
U	M	Long-tailed Duck				
C	B	Bufflehead				
A	B	Common Goldeneye				
C	B	Hooded Merganser				
C	B	Common Merganser				
U	M	Red-breasted Merganser				
R	X	Ruddy Duck				
Grouse						
C	Z	Ruffed Grouse				
U	Z	Spruce Grouse				
R	Z	Sharp-tailed Grouse				
Grebes						
U	B	Pied-billed Grebe				
R	M	Horned Grebe				
U	B	Red-necked Grebe				

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Pigeons and Doves						
C	Z	Rock Pigeon				
C	B	Mourning Dove				
Cuckoos						
U	X	Black-billed Cuckoo				
Nightjars and Allies						
C	B	Common Nighthawk				
R	B	Eastern Whip-poor-will				
Swifts						
VR	X	Chimney Swift				
Hummingbirds						
C	B	Ruby-throated Hummingbird				
Rails, Galinules and Coots						
U	B	Virginia Rail				
U	B	Sora				
U	B	American Coot				
VR	M	Yellow Rail				
Cranes						
C	B	Sandhill Crane				
Stilts and Avocets						
VR-OBRC	X	Black-necked Stilt				
Plovers						
U	M	Black-bellied Plover				
U	M	American Golden Plover				
C	B	Killdeer				
U	M	Semipalmated Plover				
Sandpipers and Allies						
VR	M	Whimbrel				
VR	M	Hudsonian Godwit				
VR	M	Marbled Godwit				
U	M	Ruddy Turnstone				
VR	M	Red Knot				
R	M	Stilt Sandpiper				
R	M	Sanderling				
U	M	Dunlin				
R	M	Baird's Sandpiper				
U	M	Least Sandpiper				
R	M	White-rumped Sandpiper				
U	M	Pectoral Sandpiper				
U	M	Semipalmated Sandpiper				
U	M	Short-billed Dowitcher				
VR	M	Long-billed Dowitcher				
C	B	American Woodcock				
C	B	Wilson's Snipe				
C	B	Spotted Sandpiper				
U	B	Solitary Sandpiper				

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Sandpipers and Allies (continued)						
U	M	Lesser Yellowlegs				
VR	M	Willet				
C	M	Greater Yellowlegs				
VR	M	Wilson's Phalarope				
VR	M	Red-necked Phalarope				
VR-OBRC	M	Red Phalarope				
Gulls and Terns						
C	B	Bonaparte's Gull				
VR-OBRC	X	Laughing Gull				
VR	X	Franklin's Gull				
C	B	Ring-billed Gull				
C	B	American Herring Gull				
R	M	Iceland Gull				
R	M	Lesser Black-backed Gull				
U	M	Glaucous Gull				
U	M	Great Black-backed Gull				
R	M	Caspian Tern				
R	B	Black Tern				
U	B	Common Tern				
Loons						
C	B	Common Loon				
Cormorants						
C	B	Double-crested Cormorant				
Pelicans						
R	X	American White Pelican				
VR-OBRC	X	Brown Pelican				
Herons, Egrets and Bitterns						
U	B	American Bittern				
C	B	Great Blue Heron				
VR-OBC	X	Great Egret				
VR-OBRC	X	Western Cattle Egret				
New World Vultures						
U	B	Turkey Vulture				
VR-OBRC	X	Black Vulture				
Osprey						
U	B	Osprey				
Hawks and Eagles						
R	M	Golden Eagle				
C	B	Northern Harrier				
C	B	Sharp-shinned Hawk				
U	Z	American Goshawk				
C	Z	Bald Eagle				
C	B	Broad-winged Hawk				
U	B	Red-tailed Hawk				
C	M	Rough-legged Hawk				

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Owls						
U	Z	Great Horned Owl				
U	M	Snowy Owl				
U	Z	Northern Hawk Owl				
R	Z	Barred Owl				
R	Z	Great Gray Owl				
R	M	Long-eared Owl				
R	M	Short-eared Owl				
U	Z	Boreal Owl				
U	Z	Northern Saw-whet Owl				
Kingfishers						
C	B	Belted Kingfisher				
Woodpeckers						
VR-OBRC	X	Lewis's Woodpecker				
VR	X	Red-headed Woodpecker				
VR	X	Red-bellied Woodpecker				
C	B	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				
U	Z	American Three-toed Woodpecker				
U	Z	Black-backed Woodpecker				
C	Z	Downy Woodpecker				
C	Z	Hairy Woodpecker				
C	B	Northern Flicker				
C	Z	Pileated Woodpecker				
Falcons						
C	B	American Kestrel				
C	B	Merlin				
R	W	Gyr Falcon				
U	B	Peregrine Falcon				
Tyrant Flycatchers						
VR	X	Western Kingbird				
U	B	Eastern Kingbird				
VR-OBRC	X	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher				
U	B	Olive-sided Flycatcher				
R	X	Eastern Wood-Pewee				
U	B	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher				
C	B	Alder Flycatcher				
C	B	Least Flycatcher				
R	X	Eastern Phoebe				
Shrikes						
U	W	Northern Shrike				
Vireos						
C	B	Blue-headed Vireo				
C	B	Philadelphia Vireo				
VR	X	Warbling Vireo				
A	B	Red-eyed Vireo				

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Crows and Jays						
C	Z	Canada Jay				
C	Z	Blue Jay				
A	B	American Crow				
C	Z	Common Raven				
Larks						
U	M	Horned Lark				
Swallows						
U	B	Bank Swallow				
C	B	Tree Swallow				
C	B	Barn Swallow				
C	B	Cliff Swallow				
Chickadees						
A	Z	Black-capped Chickadee				
U	Z	Boreal Chickadee				
Nuthatches						
C	Z	Red-breasted Nuthatch				
R	X	White-breasted Nuthatch				
Creepers						
C	Z	Brown Creeper				
Wrens						
R	X	Northern House Wren				
C	B	Winter Wren				
R	X	Marsh Wren				
R-OBRC	X	Carolina Wren				
Kinglets						
C	B	Golden-crowned Kinglet				
C	B	Ruby-crowned Kinglet				
Old World Flycatchers						
VR-OBRC	X	Northern Wheatear				
Thrushes						
U	B	Eastern Bluebird				
C	B	Veery				
R	M	Gray-cheeked Thrush				
C	B	Swainson's Thrush				
C	B	Hermit Thrush				
A	B	American Robin				
VR-OBRC	X	Varied Thrush				
Mockingbirds and Thrashers						
U	X	Gray Catbird				
R	X	Brown Thrasher				
R	X	Northern Mockingbird				
Starlings						
A	Z	European Starling				

ABUNDANCE	SEASON	SPECIES	✓	✓	✓	✓
Waxwings						
U-I	W	Bohemian Waxwing				
C	B	Cedar Waxwing				
Old World Sparrows						
U	Z	House Sparrow				
Pipits						
U	M	American Pipit				
Finches						
C - I	Z	Evening Grosbeak				
C	W	Pine Grosbeak				
C	B	Purple Finch				
C-I	W	Redpoll				
U-I	B	Red Crossbill				
C-I	B	White-winged Crossbill				
C-I	B	Pine Siskin				
C	B	American Goldfinch				
Longspurs and Snow Buntings						
U	M	Lapland Longspur				
U	W	Snow Bunting				
New World Sparrows						
A	B	Chipping Sparrow				
U	B	Clay-colored Sparrow				
U	M	Fox sparrow				
C	M	American Tree Sparrow				
C	B	Dark-eyed Junco				
C	M	White-crowned Sparrow				
A	B	White-throated Sparrow				
R	B	Vesper Sparrow				
R	B	LeConte's Sparrow				
A	B	Savannah Sparrow				
A	B	Song Sparrow				
C	B	Lincoln's Sparrow				
C	B	Swamp Sparrow				
R	X	Eastern Towhee				
Blackbirds and Allies						
R	X	Yellow-headed Blackbird				
U	B	Bobolink				
R	X	Eastern Meadowlark				
VR	X	Western Meadowlark				
VR-OBRC	X	Bullock Oriole				
VR	X	Baltimore Oriole				
A	B	Red-winged Blackbird				
U	B	Brown-headed Cowbird				
U	B	Rusty Blackbird				
R	B	Brewer's Blackbird				
C	B	Common Grackle				

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New World Warblers						
C	B	Ovenbird				
U	B	Northern Waterthrush				
C	B	Black-and-white Warbler				
C	B	Tennessee Warbler				
U	M	Orange-crowned Warbler				
C	B	Nashville Warbler				
R	B	Connecticut Warbler				
C	B	Mourning Warbler				
A	B	Common Yellowthroat				
A	B	American Redstart				
C	B	Cape May Warbler				
C	B	Northern Parula				
C	B	Magnolia Warbler				
C	B	Bay-breasted Warbler				
C	B	Blackburnian Warbler				
C	B	Yellow Warbler				
C	B	Chestnut-sided Warbler				
U	M	Blackpoll Warbler				
U	B	Black-throated Blue Warbler				
C	B	Palm Warbler				
R	X	Pine Warbler				
C	B	Yellow-rumped Warbler				
U	B	Black-throated Green Warbler				
U	B	Canada Warbler				
U	B	Wilson's Warbler				
Cardinals and Allies						
VR-OBRC	X	Summer Tanager				
R	X	Scarlet Tanager				
VR-OBRC	X	Western Tanager				
R	X	Northern Cardinal				
U	B	Rose-breasted Grosbeak				
R	X	Indigo Bunting				
VR-OBRC	X	Painted Bunting				
VR-OBRC	X	Dickcissel				

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