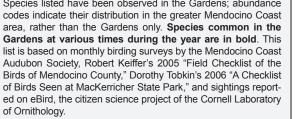
S	Season	W	Sp	S	F
Ba	ald Eagle	u	u	r	u
R	ed-shouldered Hawk	fc	fc	fc	fc
R	ed-tailed Hawk	С	С	fc	С
Owls					
l w	estern Screech-Owl	С	с	с	с
	orthern Pygmy-Owl	c	c	С	С
i	potted Owl	r	r	r	r
	orthern Saw-whet Owl	c	C	C	С
Kingfish		<u> </u>	-	-	-
	elted Kingfisher	fc	fc	fc	fc
Woodpe	*	<u> </u>	-	-	-
<u> </u>	'illiamson's Sapsucker	x			
i	ed-breasted Sapsucker	u	u	r	u
	corn Woodpecker	fc	fc	fc	fc
	owny Woodpecker	fc	fc	fc	fc
	uttall's Woodpecker	x			
	airy Woodpecker	u	u	u	u
	leated Woodpecker	r	r	r	r
	orthern Flicker	С	с	С	С
Falcons					
Α	merican Kestrel	с	с	u	С
M	erlin	r	r		r
P	eregrine Falcon	u	r	r	u
	lycatchers				
0	live-sided Flycatcher		fc	fc	fc
	estern Wood-Pewee	İ	fc	fc	fc
W	illow Flycatcher	1	х		r
w	estern Flycatcher		С	С	С
В	lack Phoebe	fc	fc	С	С
S	ay's Phoebe	r	r		r
	estern Kingbird		u	r	u
As	sh-throated Flycatcher				Х
Tr	opical Kingbird	X			u
Vireos	-				
H	utton's Vireo	fc	fc	fc	fc
C	assin's Vireo				х
İw	arbling Vireo		fc	fc	fc
Jays and					
S	teller's Jay	с	С	С	С
	alifornia Scrub-Jay	fc	fc	fc	fc
C	ommon Raven	С	С	С	С
Chickade		0			
C	hestnut-backed Chickadee	с	С	С	С
Swallow	s				
Tr	ee Swallow	r	fc	fc	fc
Vi	olet-green Swallow	i – –	С	С	С
	urple Martin		r	r	r
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	Season	W	Sp	S	F	
	Barn Swallow	r	С	С	С	
	Cliff Swallow		fc	fc	fc	
Bushtits, Wrentits, and Kinglets						
	Bushtit	С	С	С	С	
	Wrentit	С	С	С	С	
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	С	С		С	
	Golden-crowned Kinglet	С	С	С	С	
Nutha	atches, Gnatcatchers, Creep	oers,	and	Wre	ens	
	White-breasted Nuthatch	r	r	r	r	
	Pygmy Nuthatch	fc	fc	fc	fc	
	Red-breasted Nuthatch	u	r	Х	r	
	Brown Creeper	fc	fc	fc	fc	
	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher				r	
	Rock Wren				r	
	Northern House Wren	u	u	u	u	
	Pacific Wren	fc	fc	fc	fc	
	Marsh Wren	fc	fc	fc	fc	
	Bewick's Wren	u	u	u	u	
Starli	ngs, Mockingbirds, and Thr	ushe	es			
	European Starling	С	С	С	С	
	Northern Mockingbird	u	u	u	u	
	Western Bluebird	fc	fc	u	fc	
	Varied Thrush	fc	fc	Х	fc	
	Swainson's Thrush		fc	С	fc	
	Hermit Thrush	С	С		С	
141	American Robin	С	С	С	С	
Waxи		6	-			
01.11	Cedar Waxwing	fc	fc	u	fc	
Old V	Vorld Sparrows					
Dist	House Sparrow	С	С	С	С	
Pipits		£ -	6		4-	
First.	American Pipit	fc	fc	u	fc	
Finch		-				
	House Finch	C	C fo	C fo	C fo	
	Purple Finch	fc	fc	fc	fc	
	Red Crossbill	r	r	r fo	r	
	Pine Siskin	С	C fo	fc	C fo	
	Lesser Goldfinch	~	fc		fc	
Long	American Goldfinch	r	С	С	С	
Long	spurs and Sparrows Lapland Longspur	, ,				
	Chipping Sparrow	u	u u		<u>u</u>	
	Clay-colored Sparrow	u r	r		u u	
	Lark Sparrow				-	
	Fox Sparrow	r fc	r fc		u fc	
	Dark-eyed Junco	fc fc	fc	u	fc	
	White-crowned Sparrow	C fc	C fc	С	C fc	
	Golden-crowned Sparrow	fc	fc		fc	

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MENDOCINO COAST BOTANICAL GARDENS CHECKLIST OF BIRDS

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Welcome to the Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens

More than 220 bird species have been observed in the Gardens. Habitats in our 47 acres include cultivated gardens, native coastal pine forest, coastal bluffs and the rocky intertidal zone. Many species can be recorded flying past overhead or are seen on the ocean. About 90 species are commonly found in the Gardens at various times of the year. Some of those are here only during the summer breeding season, while others, which breed farther north, visit the Mendocino Coast only in the winter. Of those 90 common species 50 or so are here year-round.

On the following pages we highlight a few of the commonly sighted bird species. We hope you enjoy birding in the Gardens!





Two hummingbird species are common in the cultivated gardens: Anna's Hummingbird is resident all year and Allen's Hummingbird, which nests here from spring through early fall. Anna's shows iridescent red/violet on the crown and throat. Allen's

flashes a red-orange throat. Length: Anna's 4 in; Allen's 3 3/4 in.

A summer resident and breeder, Wilson's Warbler is bright vellow below, greenish above, and it has a glossy black cap. It primarily eats insects and does

a great deal of "fly catching" in addition to gleaning

leaves and branches. Length: 4 ³/₄ in. The **Chestnut-backed Chickadee** frequents coastal

pine forest from Alaska to Southern California gleaning insects from trunks and limbs with a short, pointed bill. Found here all year, it is the only chickadee with chestnut coloration on the back and flanks. Length: 4 3/4 in.



The White-crowned Sparrow is a year-round resident on our coast. The adult crown shows broad black stripes on a white background. In the first year these stripes are reddish-

brown on buff. Length: 7 in.

The **Osprey**, a large fish-eating hawk, is found in spring through summer flying from nest to ocean and back, often with a fish in its talons. It has dark plumage above and white below; the head is primarily white with a heavy dark line through the eye and cheek. Length: 22-25 in.



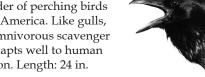


Of the three species of cormorant found locally, the Pelagic Cormorant is the only one that nests on rocks off the shore of the Garden; Brandt's and Double-crested Cormorant may also be seen roosting on the rocks, in the water, or flying by. Cormorants are long-necked, long dark-bodied

diving birds. Pelagic Cormorant is the smallest of the three and is most easily identified in spring and summer when it wears white flank patches. Length: 26 in.

There are no crows on the Mendocino Coast, making identification of large all-black birds easy. The Common

Raven is the largest member of the order of perching birds in North America. Like gulls, it is an omnivorous scavenger which adapts well to human civilization. Length: 24 in.



Seasons - W: (Dec, Jan, Feb) Sp: (Mar, Apr, May) F: (Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov)* S: (June, July) *For shorebirds S: (Mid-May, June) F: (July, Aug, Sept) Abundance Codes - c (common), fc (fairly common), u (uncommon), r (rare), x (extremely rare). Species common in the Gardens at various times during the year are in bold.

Season	W	Sp	S	F
Swans, Geese, Ducks				
Snow Goose	u	х		u
Gr. White-fronted Goose	u	х		u
Brant's Goose	u	fc		u
Cackling Goose	u	u		u
Canada Goose	с	С	С	С
Mute Swan	х	Х	х	х
Tundra Swan	r	r		r
Wood Duck	u	u	u	u
Northern Shoveler	fc	u		fc
American Wigeon	fc	u		fc
Mallard	с	С	С	С
Northern Pintail	u	u		u
Ring-necked Duck	fc	fc		fc
Greater Scaup	fc	fc		fc
Lesser Scaup	u	u		u
Surf Scoter	с	С	r	С
White-winged Scoter	u	u		u
Black Scoter	u	r		u
Bufflehead	с	С		С
Hooded Merganser	u	r		u
Common Merganser	fc	fc	fc	fc
Red-breasted Merganser	fc	fc	х	fc
Turkeys and Quail				
California Quail	с	С	С	С
Wild Turkey	с	С	С	с

	Season	W	Sp	S	F
Grebe	es				
	Pied-billed Grebe	С	fc		fc
	Horned Grebe	fc	fc		fc
	Red-necked Grebe	u	u		u
	Eared Grebe	fc	fc		fc
	Western Grebe	С	С	r	с
	Clark's Grebe	r	r		r
Pigeo	ns and Doves				
	Rock Pigeon	u	u	u	u
	Band-tailed Pigeon	u	u	u	u
	Eurasian Collared-Dove	fc	fc	fc	fc
	Mourning Dove	fc	fc	fc	fc
Swift	s and Hummingbirds				
	Vaux's Swift		С	С	с
	White-throated Swift				х
	Anna's Hummingbird	С	С	С	с
	Calliope Hummingbird				х
	Rufous Hummingbird		r		х
	Allen's Hummingbird		С	С	с
Rails,	Oystercatchers, and Plove	rs			
	Virgina Rail	u	u	r	u
	Sora	u	u	u	u
	American Coot	С	С	r	с
	Black Oystercatcher	С	С	С	с
	Black-bellied Plover	fc	r	fc	fc
	Pacific Golden-Plover	r			u
	Killdeer	С	С	fc	с
	Semipalmated Plover	r	fc	Х	fc
Alcid					
	Rhinoceros Auklet	u	u	u	u
	Tufted Puffin				X
	Cassin's Auklet	u	fc		с
	Marbled Murrelet	r	r	r	r
	Pigeon Guillemot	Х	fc	fc	fc
	Common Murre	С	С	С	С
	Ancient Murrelet	u			
Sand	pipers, Phalaropes, and Alli				
	Whimbrel	fc	fc	r	fc
	Long-billed Curlew		u		u
	Marbled Godwit	r	u		u
	Wilson's Snipe	u	u		u
	Red Phalarope	r	u	Х	u
	Spotted Sandpiper	u	u	r	u
	Wandering Tattler	r	u		u
	Willet				u
	Greater Yellowlegs	fc	fc		fc
	Ruddy Turnstone	r	u		u
	Black Turnstone	С	С	Х	С

Season	W	Sp	S	F
Surfbird	fc	fc		fc
Sanderling	С	С	r	С
Least Sandpiper	u		С	С
Pectoral Sandpiper				u
Western Sandpiper		fc		С
Gulls and Terns				
Black-legged Kittiwake	r	r		r
Bonaparte's Gull	r	u	х	u
Heerman's Gull	x	X	fc	fc
Short-billed Gull	fc	fc	х	fc
Ring-billed Gull	fc	u		fc
Western Gull	С	С	С	С
Herring Gull	fc	fc	r	fc
California Gull	c	C	r	С
Glaucous-winged Gull	fc	fc	u	fc
Iceland Gull	r	r	<u> </u>	r
Caspian Tern	† ·	u	r	u
Forster's Tern		u	x	r
Elegant Tern		r	^	u
Loons, Albatrosses, and Shearw	l			u
Red-throated Loon			r	
Pacific Loon	1	C C	r	c
Common Loon	c	c	<u>u</u>	c
Black-footed Albatross	C	C	u	C
Northern Fulmar	r	r	r	r
	r	r		r
Pink-footed Shearwater	r	r	r	<u>u</u>
Sooty Shearwater	r	r	r	u
Black-vented Shearwater	r			r
Cormorants	-			
Brandt's Cormorant	С	С	С	С
Pelagic Cormorant	С	С	С	С
Double-crested Cormorant	С	С	r	С
Ibis, Herons, and Pelicans				
White-faced Ibis		Х	Х	Х
Black-crowned Night Heron	u	u	u	u
Snowy Egret	u	u	Х	u
Green Heron	X	u	u	u
Great Egret	fc	fc	r	fc
Great Blue Heron	с	С	С	С
Brown Pelican	r	fc	С	fc
Vultures				
Turkey Vulture	fc	С	С	С
Osprey, Hawks, Kites, and Eagle	es			
Osprey	u	fc	fc	fc
White-tailed Kite	u	u	u	u
Northern Harrier	u	u	u	u
Sharp-shinned Hawk	fc	fc	u	fc
Cooper's Hawk	u	u	r	u