

SPECIES	STATUS
Shrikes (Laniidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shrike*.....	Vw
Vireos (Vireonidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cassin's Vireo.....	S (June)
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Warbling Vireo*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia Vireo*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo*.....	B
Jays, Magpies, Crows (Corvidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Jay*.....	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Jay*.....	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Stellar's Jay.....	S (Oct)
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-billed Magpie*.....	R
<input type="checkbox"/> American Crow.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Raven.....	R
Larks (Alaudidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Lark.....	M
Swallows (Hirundinidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Martin.....	Bo
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Rough-winged Swallow.....	S
<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Swallow.....	M
<input type="checkbox"/> Cliff Swallow.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow.....	B
Chickadees (Paridae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped Chickadee*.....	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Boreal Chickadee*.....	R
Nuthatches (Sittidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Nuthatch*.....	R
<input type="checkbox"/> White-breasted Nuthatch*.....	Vw
Creepers (Certhiidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Creeper*.....	R
Wrens (Troglodytidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Wren.....	S (May)
<input type="checkbox"/> House Wren*.....	M, Bo
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Wren*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Sedge Wren.....	S (June)
<input type="checkbox"/> Marsh Wren*.....	B
Kinglets (Regulidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-crowned Kinglet*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-crowned Kinglet*.....	B
Thrushes (Turdidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Bluebird.....	S (April-June)
<input type="checkbox"/> Townsend's Solitaire*.....	S (April, Sept-Nov)
<input type="checkbox"/> Veery*.....	S (May, June, Sept)
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray-cheeked Thrush*.....	M
<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Thrush*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Hermit Thrush*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Varied Thrush*.....	S, M
<input type="checkbox"/> American Robin*.....	B
Mimic Thrushes (Mimidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird*.....	S (May, June)
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Mockingbird*.....	S (June)

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Starlings (Sturnidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> European Starling.....	M
Pipits (Motacillidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Pipit*.....	M
Waxwings (Bombycillidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bohemian Waxwing.....	Vw
<input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing*.....	B
Longspurs and Buntings (Calcariidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Lapland Longspur*.....	M
<input type="checkbox"/> Smith's Longspur.....	S (May)
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Bunting.....	Vw
Wood Warblers (Parulidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ovenbird*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Waterthrush*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-White Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Orange-crowned Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Nashville Warbler*.....	S (July, Aug)
<input type="checkbox"/> Connecticut Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> MacGillivray's Warbler*.....	S (June, Aug)
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> American Redstart*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Cape May Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Magnolia Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Bay-breasted Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackburnian Warbler*.....	S, M (May-Sept)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Chestnut-sided Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackpoll Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Palm Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Green Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Warbler*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Warbler*.....	M, Bo
Sparrows (Emberizidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> American Tree Sparrow*.....	M
<input type="checkbox"/> Chipping Sparrow*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Clay-colored Sparrow*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Vesper Sparrow*.....	M
<input type="checkbox"/> Lark Sparrow.....	S (May)
<input type="checkbox"/> Lark Bunting.....	S (June, July)
<input type="checkbox"/> Savannah Sparrow*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> LeConte's Sparrow*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Nelson's Sparrow.....	S (June)
<input type="checkbox"/> Fox Sparrow*.....	M
<input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln's Sparrow*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Swamp Sparrow*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> White-throated Sparrow*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Harris's Sparrow*.....	M
<input type="checkbox"/> White-crowned Sparrow*.....	M
<input type="checkbox"/> Dark-eyed Junco*.....	M, Bo
Grosbeaks (Cardinalidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Tanager*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Rose-breasted Grosbeak*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Lazuli Bunting*.....	S (June)

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Blackbirds, Orioles (Icteridae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged Blackbird*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Meadowlark.....	S (May, June)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-headed Blackbird.....	M, Bo
<input type="checkbox"/> Rusty Blackbird.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Brewer's Blackbird.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Grackle*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore Oriole*.....	M
Finches (Fringillidae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch.....	S (Feb, Nov)
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine Grosbeak.....	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Finch*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Crossbill.....	R
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Crossbill*.....	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Redpoll.....	Vw
<input type="checkbox"/> Hoary Redpoll*.....	Vw
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine Siskin*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> American Goldfinch*.....	B
<input type="checkbox"/> Evening Grosbeak*.....	R
Weaver Finches (Passeridae)	
<input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow.....	R

Spot something unusual??

Post observation along with any photos to *Alberta Birds* on Facebook, or upload to eBird with photos and a detailed description.

WHAT DID YOU SEE?

Please feel free to utilize this checklist for personal use, or drop off at the **Boreal Centre for Bird Conservation** to help us keep this list up-to-date!

Name: _____

Date: _____

Location: _____

Notes: _____

Thank You For Visiting.
We Hope to See You Again Soon!

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BIRD CHECKLIST



Updated May 2023

WELCOME!!

The Lesser Slave Lake Region is exceptional for birding. There are a diversity of habitats with associated bird species.

Boreal Mixedwood forest, which includes mature forest, riparian habitat, wetlands and clearings are found at lower elevations. Higher up, the **Lower Foothills Ecoregion and Old Growth Forest** occur on Marten Mountain in Lesser Slave Lake Provincial Park. Don't forget the waterbirds along the extensive lakeshore!

The Lesser Slave Lake Bird Observatory (LSLBO) receives a high concentration of migratory songbirds because of its special location. Lesser Slave Lake is not only a major landmark, but the lake and nearby Marten Mountain act as natural barriers to migrant birds. This "Point Pelee effect" funnels a great many birds through the narrow lowlands along the east lakeshore. In fact, over 250 species of birds have been recorded at the LSLBO to date!

Important Bird Area

Lesser Slave Lake has been recognized as an Important Bird Area of Global Significance by Birdlife International. Large numbers of **Western Grebes** nest on the lake. Additionally, 2% of the western population of **Tundra Swans** stage and feed on Lesser Slave Lake during their spring and fall migrations. The incredible concentration of migratory songbirds is also significant.

USING THIS CHECKLIST

This checklist includes the 251 bird species that have been seen at least once at the LSLBO. The checklist follows the taxonomic order and nomenclature according to the American Ornithologist's Society (AOS).

Each species on this checklist has been assigned one or more symbols to indicate its status in this area.

R.....**Resident** year round.

B.....**Regular breeder**

Bo.....**Occasional** breeder

M.....Spring and/or fall **migrant**

Vs.....Non-breeding **summer visitor**

Vw.....**Winter visitor**

S.....**Stray** (aka, rare) from known range or migratory route (*The month(s) in which a species has occurred as a stray, if known, accompanies this symbol*)

*Denotes species which have at least one **banding record**

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Waterfowl (Anatidae)		Pelicans (Pelecanidae)		Gulls, Terns (Laridae)	
Geese		<input type="checkbox"/> American White Pelican.....B		<input type="checkbox"/> Ivory Gull.....S (May)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater White-fronted Goose.....M		<input type="checkbox"/> Bonaparte's Gull.....B		<input type="checkbox"/> Bonaparte's Gull.....B	
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Goose.....M		<input type="checkbox"/> Franklin's Gull.....M		<input type="checkbox"/> Franklin's Gull.....M	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ross's Goose.....M		<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Gull.....B		<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Gull.....B	
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose.....B		<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull.....B		<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull.....B	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cackling Goose.....M		<input type="checkbox"/> California Gull.....B		<input type="checkbox"/> California Gull.....B	
<input type="checkbox"/> Brant.....S (Sept)		<input type="checkbox"/> Herring Gull.....S (May, Sept)		<input type="checkbox"/> Herring Gull.....S (Oct)	
Swans		<input type="checkbox"/> Glaucous Gull.....S		<input type="checkbox"/> Sabine's Gull.....S	
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpeter Swan.....M		<input type="checkbox"/> Caspian Tern.....M		<input type="checkbox"/> Caspian Tern.....M	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tundra Swan.....M		<input type="checkbox"/> Black Tern.....Bo		<input type="checkbox"/> Black Tern.....Bo	
Dabbling Ducks		<input type="checkbox"/> Common Tern.....B		<input type="checkbox"/> Common Tern.....B	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gadwall.....B		<input type="checkbox"/> Forster's Tern.....Bo		<input type="checkbox"/> Forster's Tern.....Bo	
<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian Wigeon.....S (April, May)		<input type="checkbox"/> Arctic Tern.....S (Sept)			
<input type="checkbox"/> American Wigeon.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shoveler.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Pintail.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Green-winged Teal.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck.....S (May)					
Diving Ducks					
<input type="checkbox"/> Canvasback.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Redhead.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Scaup.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Scaup.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Duck.....B					
Sea Ducks					
<input type="checkbox"/> Harlequin Duck.....S (May, Sept)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Surf Scoter.....Bo					
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Scoter.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-tailed Duck.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Bufflehead.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Goldeneye.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Barrow's Goldeneye.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Hooded Merganser.....S					
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Merganser.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Merganser.....B					
Grouse, Ptarmigan (Phasianidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruffed Grouse.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Spruce Grouse.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-tailed Grouse.....Vs					
Loons (Gaviidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Loon.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Throated Loon.....S (May)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-billed Loon.....S (June, July)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Loon.....S (May, June)					
Grebes (Podicipedidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed Grebe.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Grebe.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-necked Grebe.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Eared Grebe.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Grebe.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Clark's Grebe.....S					
Cormorants (Phalacrocoracidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant.....B					
Pelicans (Pelecanidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> American White Pelican.....B					
Heros, Bitterns (Ardeidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> American Bittern.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron.....B					
Osprey (Pandionidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Osprey.....B					
Eagles, Hawks, Harriers (Accipitridae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Cooper's Hawk*.....S					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Goshawk*.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged Hawk.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Hawk.....S (June, Sept)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Rough-legged Hawk.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden Eagle.....S					
Rails, Coots (Rallidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Rail.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Sora.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> American Coot.....B					
Cranes (Gruidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill Crane.....M, Bo					
Avocets (Recurvirostridae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> American Avocet.....S (May, June)					
Plovers (Charadriidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied Plover.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> American Golden-Plover.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Plover.....M, B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer.....B					
Sandpipers (Scolopacidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary Sandpiper.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Wandering Tattler.....S (May)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Yellowlegs.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Yellowlegs.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Upland Sandpiper.....S (May, Sept)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Whimbrel.....S (June)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Marbled Godwit.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Turnstone.....S (May)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Sanderling.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Baird's Sandpiper.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Sandpiper.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Pectoral Sandpiper.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Sandpiper.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Dowitcher.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-billed Dowitcher.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Snipe.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Phalarope.....B					
Jaegers (Stercorariidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Parasitic Jaeger.....S (April, Sept)					
Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-throated Hummingbird.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Rufous Hummingbird.....S (May)					
Gulls, Terns (Laridae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> American White Pelican.....B					
Doves, Pigeons (Columbidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Pigeon.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian Collared-Dove.....Bo					
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Dove.....S					
Owls (Strigidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Horned Owl.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Owl.....Vw					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Hawk Owl.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Pygmy Owl*.....Vw					
<input type="checkbox"/> Barred Owl*.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Gray Owl.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-Eared Owl*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-eared Owl.....Vs					
<input type="checkbox"/> Boreal Owl*.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Saw-whet Owl*.....B					
Nightjars (Caprimulgidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Nighthawk.....B					
Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher.....B					
Woodpeckers (Picidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Sapsucker*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker*.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker*.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> American Three-toed Woodpecker*.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-backed Woodpecker.....R					
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker*.....R					
Falcons (Falconidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Merlin.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Gyrfalcon.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Peregrine Falcon.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Prairie Falcon.....S (Aug)					
Tyrant Flycatchers (Tyrannidae)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Olive-sided Flycatcher*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Wood-Pewee*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Flycatcher*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Alder Flycatcher*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe*.....B					
<input type="checkbox"/> Say's Phoebe.....M					
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Crested Flycatcher.....S (June, July)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird.....M					