



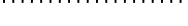

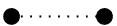


# A Checklist of the Birds of Santa Clara County

The distribution of birds observed over the period of a year is charted in this checklist. The checklist, as of 30 September 2016, includes 404 species recorded in the county. Two species are no longer found in the county, their names are followed by (H). Breeding status is indicated by \*\* for regular breeders, \* for irregular breeders, and <sup>(H)</sup> for species that no longer breed. The definitions of line thicknesses and symbols are indicated in the legend below.

	Common
	Fairly Common
	Uncommon
	Rare
	Very Rare or Casual
	Vagrant
	Vagrant over indicated period

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	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Fulvous Whistling-Duck(H)												
Greater White-fronted Goose												
Snow Goose								●				
Ross's Goose												
Brant												
Cackling Goose												
Canada Goose**												
Tundra Swan												
Wood Duck**												
Gadwall**												
Eurasian Wigeon												
American Wigeon												
Mallard**												
Blue-winged Teal*												
Cinnamon Teal**												
Northern Shoveler*												
Northern Pintail*												
Garganey								●	●			
Green-winged Teal*												
Canvasback*												
Redhead*												
Ring-necked Duck*												
Tufted Duck												
Greater Scaup												
Lesser Scaup**												
Surf Scoter												
White-winged Scoter												
Black Scoter												
Long-tailed Duck								●				
Bufflehead												
Common Goldeneye												
Barrow's Goldeneye												
Hooded Merganser												

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC		
Common Merganser**	█										█			
Red-breasted Merganser	-----													
Ruddy Duck**	█			█						█	█			
Mountain Quail*	-----													
California Quail**	█													
Ring-necked Pheasant**	█													
Wild Turkey**	█													
Pied-billed Grebe**	█						█							
Horned Grebe	-----													
Red-necked Grebe	-----				-----									
Eared Grebe*	█			█				█	█					
Western Grebe*	█			-----							█	█		
Clark's Grebe*	█		-----									█	█	
Rock Pigeon**	█													
Band-tailed Pigeon**	█													
Eurasian Collared-Dove**	█													
White-winged Dove		●			●		●	●	●●					
Mourning Dove**	█													
Yellow-billed Cuckoo <sup>(H)</sup>							●●							
Greater Roadrunner**	-----													
Lesser Nighthawk <sup>(H)</sup>				-----		●	●	●	●					
Common Nighthawk					●●	●								
Common Poorwill**	●	-----									●	●		
Black Swift				-----			●		-----					
Chimney Swift									●●●	●				
Vaux's Swift**	-----													
White-throated Swift**	█													
Black-chinned Hummingbird**			-----	-----										
Anna's Hummingbird**	█													
Costa's Hummingbird*	-----													
Broad-tailed Hummingbird				●			●	●						
Rufous Hummingbird	-----													
Allen's Hummingbird**	-----													

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Calliope Hummingbird. . . . .				.....	•	•		•	•	•		
Yellow Rail. . . . .	•									•		•
Black Rail*. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ridgway's Rail**. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Virginia Rail*. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sora*. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Common Gallinule**. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
American Coot**. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandhill Crane. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	•••
Black-necked Stilt**. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
American Avocet**. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Black Oystercatcher. . . . .	•	.....	•	.....	•	.....	••	•	•		•	
Black-bellied Plover. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
American Golden-Plover. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	•	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pacific Golden-Plover. . . . .	.....	•	•	.....	••	•	.....	.....	.....	•	.....	.....
Snowy Plover**. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Semipalmated Plover. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Killdeer**. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mountain Plover. . . . .	••	•									•	•
Whimbrel. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Long-billed Curlew. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hudsonian Godwit. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	••			••	•	•		
Bar-tailed Godwit. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	••	•	•	•	•
Marbled Godwit. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ruddy Turnstone. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Black Turnstone. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	•	••		.....	.....	.....	••	•	•
Red Knot. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ruff. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stilt Sandpiper. . . . .	•			.....	.....	••		.....	.....	.....		•
Curlew Sandpiper. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	•	•		•	•	•	••		
Sanderling. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dunlin. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Baird's Sandpiper . . . . .				••			••				•	
Little Stint . . . . .				••	•		••					
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 . . . . .												
Wandering Tattler . . . . .										•		•
Greater Yellowlegs . . . . .				—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————
Willet . . . . .				—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————
Lesser Yellowlegs . . . . .												
Wilson's Phalarope . . . . .	•			—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————		•
Red-necked Phalarope . . . . .				—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————		
Red Phalarope . . . . .					••				•			
Pomarine Jaeger . . . . .									••	••		
Parasitic Jaeger . . . . .	•	•	•									
Long-tailed Jaeger . . . . .						•			•••			
Common Murre . . . . .		•				•						•
Pigeon Guillemot . . . . .							••					
Ancient Murrelet . . . . .											•	
Cassin's Auklet . . . . .									•			
Black-legged Kittiwake . . . . .				••							•	•
Sabine's Gull . . . . .												
Bonaparte's Gull . . . . .			—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————
Black-headed Gull . . . . .	•	•		•							•	
Little Gull . . . . .					•••••				•			•
Laughing Gull . . . . .				•		•				•	••	•

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Franklin's Gull . . . . .						••	•					
Heermann's Gull . . . . .		•			•							
Mew Gull . . . . .												
Ring-billed Gull . . . . .												
Western Gull* . . . . .												
California Gull** . . . . .												
Herring Gull . . . . .												
Thayer's Gull . . . . .					•	•	•					
Iceland Gull . . . . .		•	•	•								•
Lesser Black-backed Gull . . . . .												
Slaty-backed Gull . . . . .	•	•	•									
Glaucous-winged Gull . . . . .												
Glaucous Gull . . . . .												
Least Tern . . . . .				•	•						•	
Gull-billed Tern . . . . .					•							
Caspian Tern** . . . . .												•
Black Tern . . . . .												
Common Tern . . . . .			•	•	•	•						
Arctic Tern . . . . .				•					•	•		
Forster's Tern** . . . . .												
Elegant Tern . . . . .				•	•							
Black Skimmer* . . . . .												
Red-throated Loon . . . . .												
Arctic Loon . . . . .											•	
Pacific Loon . . . . .							•					
Common Loon . . . . .												
Yellow-billed Loon . . . . .											•	•
Northern Fulmar . . . . .												•
Sooty Shearwater <sup>1</sup> . . . . .									•			
Ashy Storm-Petrel . . . . .										•	•	•
Magnificent Frigatebird . . . . .							•					
Brown Booby . . . . .									•	•		•
Brandt's Cormorant . . . . .												

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Double-crested Cormorant**	[Solid black bar]													
Pelagic Cormorant	.....							.....						
American White Pelican				[Solid black bar]			[Solid black bar]			[Solid black bar]				
Brown Pelican	[Dashed line]													
American Bittern*	[Dashed line]													
Least Bittern	•		•		•		••		•	•	•	•		
Great Blue Heron**	[Solid black bar]													
Great Egret**	[Solid black bar]													
Snowy Egret**	[Solid black bar]													
Little Blue Heron*				.....										•
Cattle Egret*	[Dotted line]													
Green Heron**	[Solid black bar]													
Black-crowned Night Heron**	[Solid black bar]													
Glossy Ibis					•									
White-faced Ibis*	[Dotted line]													
Turkey Vulture**	[Solid black bar]													
California Condor(H)	[Solid black bar]													
Osprey*						[Dashed line]								
White-tailed Kite**	[Solid black bar]													
Bald Eagle**	[Solid black bar]													
Northern Harrier**	[Solid black bar]			[Solid black bar]						[Solid black bar]				
Sharp-shinned Hawk**	[Solid black bar]			[Dashed line]										
Cooper's Hawk**	[Solid black bar]													
Northern Goshawk		•	•									•	•	
Red-shouldered Hawk**	[Solid black bar]													
Broad-winged Hawk				.....						.....			•	
Swainson's Hawk*	•	•	.....								•	••		
Zone-tailed Hawk										•				
Red-tailed Hawk**	[Solid black bar]													
Rough-legged Hawk	[Dotted line]									[Dotted line]				
Ferruginous Hawk	[Dashed line]									[Dashed line]				
Golden Eagle**	[Solid black bar]													
Barn Owl**	[Solid black bar]													

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Flammulated Owl					•							
Western Screech-Owl**												
Great Horned Owl**												
Northern Pygmy-Owl**												
Burrowing Owl**												
Long-eared Owl*												
Short-eared Owl*							•		•			
Northern Saw-whet Owl**												
Belted Kingfisher**												
Lewis's Woodpecker**												
Acorn Woodpecker**												
Williamson's Sapsucker	•	•	•						•			•
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker												
Red-naped Sapsucker												
Red-breasted Sapsucker												
Nuttall's Woodpecker**												
Downy Woodpecker**												
Hairy Woodpecker**												
Northern Flicker**												
Pileated Woodpecker**												
Crested Caracara			•									
American Kestrel**												
Merlin												
Peregrine Falcon**												
Prairie Falcon**												
Olive-sided Flycatcher**												
Western Wood-Pewee**			•									
Willow Flycatcher <sup>(H)</sup>												
Least Flycatcher												
Hammond's Flycatcher	•	•									•	•
Gray Flycatcher	•								•	•	•	•
Dusky Flycatcher												
Pacific-slope Flycatcher**												



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Black Phoebe**	[Solid bar]												
Eastern Phoebe	.....												
Say's Phoebe**										[Solid bar]			
Ash-throated Flycatcher**	.....			[Solid bar]						.....			
Tropical Kingbird				•				•	.....				
Cassin's Kingbird*	•	•••	••	.....								•	••
Western Kingbird**				[Solid bar]						.....			
Eastern Kingbird					•			•	•••	••	•		
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher						•				•			
Loggerhead Shrike**	[Solid bar]												
Northern Shrike	•				•						••	•	
Bell's Vireo*					••	•	•						
Hutton's Vireo**	[Solid bar]												
Yellow-throated Vireo					•								
Cassin's Vireo**	••	•	[Solid bar]						.....			••	
Blue-headed Vireo										••	•	•	
Plumbeous Vireo				•							••	••	
Philadelphia Vireo									•				
Warbling Vireo**	•	[Solid bar]						[Solid bar]			•	••	
Red-eyed Vireo						•			••	••			
Pinyon Jay										•			
Steller's Jay**	[Solid bar]												
California Scrub-Jay**	[Solid bar]												
Clark's Nutcracker			••							•	•	••	••
Black-billed Magpie			•										
Yellow-billed Magpie**	[Solid bar]												
American Crow**	[Solid bar]												
Common Raven**	[Solid bar]												
Horned Lark**	[Solid bar]												
Purple Martin**	.....												
Tree Swallow**	[Solid bar]									[Solid bar]			
Violet-green Swallow**	[Solid bar]			[Solid bar]						[Solid bar]			
Nor. Rough-winged Swallow**	.....												



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Northern Mockingbird**	[Solid bar]											
European Starling**	[Solid bar]											
Bohemian Waxwing	•••	•										
Cedar Waxwing*	[Solid bar]											
Phainopepla**	[Dashed line]											
House Sparrow**	[Solid bar]											
White Wagtail			•									••
Red-throated Pipit									•	•••	••	••
American Pipit					•							
House Finch**	[Solid bar]											
Purple Finch**	[Solid bar]											
Cassin's Finch	•		•	•							•••••	•
Red Crossbill						•						
Pine Siskin*	[Dashed line]											
Lesser Goldfinch**	[Solid bar]											
Lawrence's Goldfinch**	[Dashed line]											
American Goldfinch**	[Solid bar]											
Evening Grosbeak												
Lapland Longspur				••								
Chestnut-collared Longspur												
Snow Bunting											•	
Ovenbird	•	•										
Worm-eating Warbler						•			•		•	
Louisiana Waterthrush								••				
Northern Waterthrush					•							
Black-and-White Warbler			•	•	•	•	•	•				
Prothonotary Warbler					•				•			
Tennessee Warbler												
Orange-crowned Warbler**	[Dashed line]											
Lucy's Warbler												•
Nashville Warbler							•					
Virginia's Warbler								•••	•		•	
Connecticut Warbler								•	•			

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MacGillivray's Warbler*		•	•	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Kentucky Warbler									•	•		
Common Yellowthroat**	-----											
Hooded Warbler		•	•		•	•	•			•	•	•
American Redstart												
Cape May Warbler	•		•						•	•		
Northern Parula					•	•	•		•	•		•
Magnolia Warbler	•	•				•						
Blackburnian Warbler										•	•	•
Yellow Warbler**	-----											
Chestnut-sided Warbler	•	•			•	•						•
Blackpoll Warbler												
Black-throated Blue Warbler	•	•	•	•					•	•		
Palm Warbler						•						
Pine Warbler										•		
Yellow-rumped Warbler**	-----											
Prairie Warbler	•										•	
Black-thr. Gray Warbler**	-----											
Townsend's Warbler	-----											
Hermit Warbler*	-----											
Black-throated Green Warbler									•	•	•	
Canada Warbler									•	•	•	
Wilson's Warbler**	-----											
Yellow-breasted Chat**	-----											
Green-tailed Towhee	-----											
Spotted Towhee**	-----											
Rufous-crowned Sparrow**	-----											
California Towhee**	-----											
American Tree Sparrow										•	•	
Chipping Sparrow**	-----											
Clay-colored Sparrow	•	•	•	•								
Brewer's Sparrow											•	
Black-chinned Sparrow**	-----											

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Vesper Sparrow . . . . .												
Lark Sparrow** . . . . .												
Black-throated Sparrow . . . . .	●		●		●	●		●				●
Bell's Sparrow** . . . . .												
Lark Bunting . . . . .			●	●					●	●	●	●
Savannah Sparrow** . . . . .												
Grasshopper Sparrow** . . . . .												
Nelson's Sparrow . . . . .												
Fox Sparrow . . . . .						●						
Song Sparrow** . . . . .												
Lincoln's Sparrow . . . . .												
Swamp Sparrow . . . . .												
White-throated Sparrow . . . . .						●	●					
Harris's Sparrow . . . . .												
White-crowned Sparrow . . . . .												
Golden-crowned Sparrow . . . . .						●	●	●	●			
Dark-eyed Junco** . . . . .												
Summer Tanager . . . . .												
Scarlet Tanager . . . . .					●		●	●				
Western Tanager** . . . . .												
Rose-breasted Grosbeak . . . . .				●								
Black-headed Grosbeak** . . . . .												
Blue Grosbeak* . . . . .												
Lazuli Bunting** . . . . .	●		●								●	●
Indigo Bunting* . . . . .												
Painted Bunting . . . . .					●				●	●	●	
Dickcissel . . . . .						●		●		●		
Bobolink . . . . .						●						
Red-winged Blackbird** . . . . .												
Tricolored Blackbird** . . . . .												
Western Meadowlark** . . . . .												
Yellow-headed Blackbird <sup>(H)</sup> . . . . .	●	●	●	●							●	●
Rusty Blackbird . . . . .	●		●									

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Brewer's Blackbird** . . . . .	[Solid black bar across all months]											
Great-tailed Grackle** . . . . .	[Dashed line across all months]											
Brown-headed Cowbird** . . . . .	[Solid black bar from APR to SEP]											
Orchard Oriole . . . . .	•							•	•	•		•
Hooded Oriole** . . . . .	[Dotted line across all months]											
Bullock's Oriole** . . . . .	[Solid black bar from APR to AUG]											
Baltimore Oriole . . . . .	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Scott's Oriole . . . . .				•								

SANTA CLARA COUNTY CHECKLIST

Notes:

<sup>1</sup>Sooty Shearwater or Short-tailed Shearwater

<sup>2</sup>Arctic Warbler or Kamchatka Leaf Warbler