

Red Rock Audubon Society Bird List of the Las Vegas Wash

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Status	
R	Resident
S	Summer Visitant
W	Winter Visitant
M	Migrant
A	Accidental
I	Introduced
*	Nesting Species

Abundance	
a	Abundant - Always found in suitable habitat
c	Common - Usually found in suitable habitat
u	Uncommon - Occasionally found in suitable habitat
r	Rare - Infrequently found in suitable habitat

List order follows the

AOU Checklist of North American Birds, 7th Edition, 1998 and all supplements to date

Common Name/Family Name	Genus	Species	Status	Abundance
WATERFOWL/Anatidae				
Black-bellied whistling-duck	<i>Dendrocygna</i>	<i>autumnalis</i>	A	n/a
Greater white-fronted goose	<i>Anser</i>	<i>albifrons</i>	W	r
Snow goose	<i>Chen</i>	<i>caerulescens</i>	W	r
Ross's goose	<i>Chen</i>	<i>rossii</i>	W	r
Canada goose	<i>Branta</i>	<i>canadensis</i>	W	r
Tundra swan	<i>Cygnus</i>	<i>columbianus</i>	W	r
Wood duck	<i>Aix</i>	<i>sponsa</i>	W	r
Gadwall	<i>Anas</i>	<i>strepera</i>	W	c
American wigeon	<i>Anas</i>	<i>americana</i>	W	c
Mallard*	<i>Anas</i>	<i>platyrhynchos</i>	R	c
Blue-winged teal*	<i>Anas</i>	<i>discors</i>	R	r
Cinnamon teal*	<i>Anas</i>	<i>cyanoptera</i>	R	c
Northern shoveler	<i>Anas</i>	<i>clypeata</i>	W	u
Northern pintail	<i>Anas</i>	<i>acuta</i>	W	u
Green-winged teal	<i>Anas</i>	<i>carolinensis</i>	W	c
Canvasback	<i>Aythya</i>	<i>valisineria</i>	W	c
Redhead*	<i>Aythya</i>	<i>americana</i>	W	c
Ring-necked duck	<i>Aythya</i>	<i>collaris</i>	W	c
Greater scaup	<i>Aythya</i>	<i>marila</i>	M	r
Lesser scaup	<i>Aythya</i>	<i>affinis</i>	W	c
Surf scoter	<i>Melanitta</i>	<i>perspicillata</i>	M	r
White-winged scoter	<i>Melanitta</i>	<i>fusca</i>	M	r
Black scoter	<i>Melanitta</i>	<i>nigra</i>	A	n/a
Long-tailed duck (Old squaw)	<i>Clangula</i>	<i>hyemalis</i>	W	r
Bufflehead	<i>Bucephala</i>	<i>albeola</i>	W	c

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Common goldeneye	<i>Bucephala</i>	<i>clangula</i>	W	c
Hooded merganser	<i>Lophodytes</i>	<i>cucullatus</i>	W	r
Common merganser	<i>Mergus</i>	<i>merganser</i>	W	c
Red-breasted merganser	<i>Mergus</i>	<i>serrator</i>	W	c
Ruddy duck*	<i>Oxyura</i>	<i>jamaicensis</i>	R	c
NEW WORLD QUAIL/Odontophoridae				
Gambel's quail*	<i>Callipepla</i>	<i>gambelii</i>	R	c
LOONS/Gaviidae				
Common loon	<i>Gavia</i>	<i>immer</i>	W	r
GREBES/Podicipedidae				
Pied-billed grebe*	<i>Podilymbus</i>	<i>podiceps</i>	R	c
Horned grebe	<i>Podiceps</i>	<i>auritus</i>	W	r
Eared grebe*	<i>Podiceps</i>	<i>nigricollis</i>	W	c
Western grebe	<i>Aechmophorus</i>	<i>occidentalis</i>	W	r
Clark's grebe	<i>Aechmophorus</i>	<i>clarkii</i>	W	r
PELICANS/Pelicanidae				
American white pelican	<i>Pelecanus</i>	<i>erythrorhynchus</i>	M	r
Brown pelican	<i>Pelecanus</i>	<i>occidentalis</i>	A	n/a
CORMORANTS/Phalacrocoracidae				
Double-crested cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax</i>	<i>auritus</i>	R	u
BITTERN & HERONS/Ardeidae				
American bittern	<i>Botaurus</i>	<i>lentiginosus</i>	M	r
Least bittern	<i>Ixobrychus</i>	<i>exilis</i>	M	r
Great blue heron	<i>Ardea</i>	<i>herodias</i>	R	c
Great egret	<i>Ardea</i>	<i>alba</i>	R	u
Snowy egret	<i>Egretta</i>	<i>thula</i>	R	u
Little blue heron	<i>Egretta</i>	<i>caerulea</i>	A	n/a
Cattle egret	<i>Bubulcus</i>	<i>ibis</i>	W	u
Green heron*	<i>Butorides</i>	<i>virescens</i>	R	u
Black-crowned night-heron	<i>Nycticorax</i>	<i>nycticorax</i>	R	u
IBISES/Threskiornithidae				
White-faced ibis	<i>Plegadis</i>	<i>chihi</i>	M	c
NEW WORLD VULTURES/Cathartidae				
Turkey vulture	<i>Cathartes</i>	<i>aura</i>	S	c
HAWKS/Accipitridae				
Osprey	<i>Pandion</i>	<i>haliaetus</i>	M	r
Mississippi Kite	<i>Ictinia</i>	<i>mississippiensis</i>	A	n/a
Bald eagle	<i>Haliaeetus</i>	<i>leucocephalus</i>	W	r
Northern harrier	<i>Circus</i>	<i>cyaneus</i>	R	c
Sharp-shinned hawk	<i>Accipiter</i>	<i>striatus</i>	R	u
Cooper's hawk	<i>Accipiter</i>	<i>cooperii</i>	R	r
Red-shouldered hawk	<i>Buteo</i>	<i>lineatus</i>	W	r
Swainson's hawk	<i>Buteo</i>	<i>swainsoni</i>	M	r
Red-tailed hawk	<i>Buteo</i>	<i>jamaicensis</i>	R	c
Golden eagle	<i>Aquila</i>	<i>chrysaetos</i>	R	r

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FALCONS/Falconidae				
American kestrel	<i>Falco</i>	<i>sparverius</i>	R	c
Merlin	<i>Falco</i>	<i>columbarius</i>	M	r
Peregrine falcon	<i>Falco</i>	<i>peregrinus</i>	R	r
Prairie falcon	<i>Falco</i>	<i>mexicanus</i>	R	c
RAILS, GALLINULES & COOTS/Rallidae				
Clapper rail	<i>Rallus</i>	<i>longirostris</i>	A	n/a
Virginia rail*	<i>Rallus</i>	<i>limicola</i>	R	u
Sora	<i>Porzana</i>	<i>carolina</i>	M	u
Common moorhen*	<i>Gallinula</i>	<i>chloropus</i>	R	u
American coot*	<i>Fulica</i>	<i>americana</i>	R	a
CRANES/Gruidae				
Sandhill crane	<i>Grus</i>	<i>canadensis</i>	M	r
PLOVERS/Charadriidae				
Black-bellied plover	<i>Pluvialis</i>	<i>squatarola</i>	M	u
American golden-plover	<i>Pluvialis</i>	<i>dominica</i>	M	r
Snowy plover	<i>Charadrius</i>	<i>alexandrinus</i>	M	u
Semipalmated plover	<i>Charadrius</i>	<i>semipalmatus</i>	M	u
Killdeer*	<i>Charadrius</i>	<i>vociferus</i>	R	c
STILTS & AVOCETS/Recurvirostridae				
Black-necked stilt*	<i>Himantopus</i>	<i>mexicanus</i>	S	c
American avocet*	<i>Recurvirostra</i>	<i>americana</i>	M	c
SANDPIPERS & PHALAROPES/Scolopacidae				
Greater yellowlegs	<i>Tringa</i>	<i>melanoleuca</i>	M	c
Lesser yellowlegs	<i>Tringa</i>	<i>flavipes</i>	M	u
Solitary sandpiper	<i>Tringa</i>	<i>solitaria</i>	M	u
Willet	<i>Catoptrophorus</i>	<i>semipalmatus</i>	M	u
Spotted sandpiper	<i>Actitis</i>	<i>macularia</i>	S	c
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius</i>	<i>phaeopus</i>	M	r
Long-billed curlew	<i>Numenius</i>	<i>americanus</i>	M	u
Marbled godwit	<i>Limosa</i>	<i>fedoa</i>	M	u
Ruddy turnstone	<i>Arenaria</i>	<i>interpres</i>	M	r
Red knot	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>canutus</i>	M	r
Sanderling	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>alba</i>	M	u
Semipalmated sandpiper	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>pusilla</i>	M	r
Western sandpiper	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>mauri</i>	M	c
Red-necked stint	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>ruficollis</i>	A	n/a
Least sandpiper	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>minutilla</i>	M	c
Baird's sandpiper	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>bairdii</i>	M	u
Pectoral sandpiper	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>melanotos</i>	M	u
Dunlin	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>alpina</i>	M	r
Stilt sandpiper	<i>Calidris</i>	<i>himantopus</i>	M	r
Short-billed dowitcher	<i>Limnodromus</i>	<i>griseus</i>	M	r
Long-billed dowitcher	<i>Limnodromus</i>	<i>scolopaceus</i>	M	c
Wilson's snipe	<i>Gallinago</i>	<i>gallinago</i>	M	c
Wilson's phalarope	<i>Phalaropus</i>	<i>tricolor</i>	M	c
Red-necked phalarope	<i>Phalaropus</i>	<i>lobatus</i>	M	c

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GULLS, TERNS & SKIMMERS /Laridae				
Franklin's gull	<i>Larus</i>	<i>pipixcan</i>	M	u
Bonaparte's gull	<i>Larus</i>	<i>philadelphia</i>	M	u
Mew gull	<i>Larus</i>	<i>canus</i>	A	n/a
Ring-billed gull	<i>Larus</i>	<i>delawarensis</i>	R	c
California gull	<i>Larus</i>	<i>californicus</i>	R	u
Herring gull	<i>Larus</i>	<i>argentatus</i>	W	r
Sabine's gull	<i>Xema</i>	<i>sabini</i>	M	r
Caspian tern	<i>Sterna</i>	<i>caspia</i>	M	u
Common tern	<i>Sterna</i>	<i>hirundo</i>	M	r
Forster's tern	<i>Sterna</i>	<i>forsteri</i>	M	c
Least tern	<i>Sterna</i>	<i>antillarum</i>	A	n/a
Black tern	<i>Chlidonias</i>	<i>niger</i>	M	u
Black skimmer	<i>Rynchops</i>	<i>niger</i>	A	n/a
DOVES/Columbidae				
Rock pigeon	<i>Columba</i>	<i>livia</i>	I	c
Band-tailed pigeon	<i>Patagioenas</i>	<i>fasciata</i>	A	n/a
White-winged dove	<i>Zenaida</i>	<i>asiatica</i>	S	r
Mourning dove*	<i>Zenaida</i>	<i>macroura</i>	R	c
Inca dove	<i>Columbina</i>	<i>inca</i>	R	r
ROADRUNNERS/Cuculidae				
Yellow-billed cuckoo	<i>Coccyzus</i>	<i>americanus</i>	S	r
Greater roadrunner*	<i>Geococcyx</i>	<i>californianus</i>	R	c
BARN OWLS/Tytonidae				
Barn owl	<i>Tyto</i>	<i>alba</i>	M	r
TYPICAL OWLS/Strigidae				
Great horned owl	<i>Bubo</i>	<i>virginianus</i>	A	n/a
Burrowing owl*	<i>Athene</i>	<i>cunicularia</i>	S	u
Short-eared owl	<i>Asio</i>	<i>flammeus</i>	W	r
Northern saw-whet owl	<i>Aegolius</i>	<i>acadicus</i>	M	r
NIGHTJARS/Caprimulgidae				
Lesser nighthawk*	<i>Chordeiles</i>	<i>acutipennis</i>	S	c
Common nighthawk	<i>Chordeiles</i>	<i>minor</i>	M	r
SWIFTS/Apodidae				
Vaux's swift	<i>Chaetura</i>	<i>vauxi</i>	M	u
White-throated swift	<i>Aeronautes</i>	<i>saxatalis</i>	S	c
HUMMINGBIRDS/Trochilidae				
Black-chinned hummingbird*	<i>Archilochus</i>	<i>alexandri</i>	S	u
Anna's hummingbird	<i>Calypte</i>	<i>anna</i>	R	r
Rufous hummingbird	<i>Selasphorus</i>	<i>rufus</i>	M	r
KINGFISHERS/Alcedinidae				
Belted kingfisher	<i>Ceryle</i>	<i>alcyon</i>	M	u
WOODPECKERS/Picidae				
Northern flicker	<i>Colaptes</i>	<i>auratus</i>	W	c
Gilded flicker	<i>Colaptes</i>	<i>chrysoides</i>	W	r

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TYRANT FLYCATCHERS/Tyrannidae				
Olive-sided flycatcher	<i>Contopus</i>	<i>cooperi</i>	M	r
Western wood-pewee	<i>Contopus</i>	<i>sordidulus</i>	M	r
Western-type flycatcher	<i>Empidonax</i>	<i>difficilis</i>	M	r
Willow flycatcher	<i>Empidonax</i>	<i>traillii</i>	M	r
Black phoebe*	<i>Sayornis</i>	<i>nigricans</i>	R	u
Say's phoebe*	<i>Sayornis</i>	<i>saya</i>	R	c
Vermilion flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus</i>	<i>rubinus</i>	W	r
Ash-throated flycatcher*	<i>Myiarchus</i>	<i>cinerascens</i>	S	u
Brown-crested flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus</i>	<i>tyrannulus</i>	S	r
Cassin's kingbird	<i>Tyrannus</i>	<i>vociferans</i>	M	r
Thick-billed kingbird	<i>Tyrannus</i>	<i>crassirostris</i>	A	n/a
Western kingbird*	<i>Tyrannus</i>	<i>verticalis</i>	S	c
Eastern kingbird	<i>Tyrannus</i>	<i>tyrannus</i>	A	n/a
SHRIKES/Laniidae				
Loggerhead shrike	<i>Lanius</i>	<i>ludovicianus</i>	W	c
VIREOS/Vireonidae				
Plumbeous vireo	<i>Vireo</i>	<i>plumbeus</i>	M	r
Warbling vireo	<i>Vireo</i>	<i>gilvus</i>	M	r
CROWS & JAYS/Corvidae				
Western scrub-jay	<i>Aphelocoma</i>	<i>californica</i>	A	n/a
Pinyon jay	<i>Gymnorhinus</i>	<i>cyanocephalus</i>	A	n/a
Common raven	<i>Corvus</i>	<i>corax</i>	R	c
LARKS/Alaudidae				
Horned lark*	<i>Eremophila</i>	<i>alpestris</i>	R	c
SWALLOWS/Hirundinidae				
Purple martin	<i>Progne</i>	<i>subis</i>	M	r
Tree swallow	<i>Tachycineta</i>	<i>bicolor</i>	M	c
Violet-green swallow	<i>Tachycineta</i>	<i>thalassina</i>	M	c
Northern rough-winged swallow*	<i>Stelgidopteryx</i>	<i>serripennis</i>	S	c
Bank swallow	<i>Riparia</i>	<i>riparia</i>	M	u
Cliff swallow*	<i>Petrochelidon</i>	<i>pyrrhonota</i>	S	c
Barn swallow	<i>Hirundo</i>	<i>rustica</i>	M	c
VERDINS/Remizidae				
Verdin*	<i>Auriparus</i>	<i>flaviceps</i>	R	c
BUSHTITS/Aegithalidae				
Bushtit	<i>Psaltriparus</i>	<i>minimus</i>	R	u
WRENS/Troglodytidae				
Rock wren*	<i>Salpinctes</i>	<i>obsoletus</i>	R	c
Bewick's wren*	<i>Thryomanes</i>	<i>bewickii</i>	R	c
Marsh wren*	<i>Cistothorus</i>	<i>palustris</i>	R	c
KINGLETS/Regulidae				
Golden-crowned kinglet	<i>Regulus</i>	<i>satrapa</i>	W	r
Ruby-crowned kinglet	<i>Regulus</i>	<i>calendula</i>	W	c

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GNATCATCHERS/Sylviidae				
Blue-gray gnatcatcher*	<i>Polioptila</i>	<i>caerulea</i>	R	c
Black-tailed gnatcatcher*	<i>Polioptila</i>	<i>melanura</i>	R	u
THRUSHES/Turdidae				
Mountain Bluebird	<i>Sialia</i>	<i>currucoides</i>	W	r
Swainson's thrush	<i>Catharus</i>	<i>ustulatus</i>	M	r
Hermit thrush	<i>Catharus</i>	<i>guttatus</i>	M	u
American robin	<i>Turdus</i>	<i>migratorius</i>	W	u
MOCKINGBIRDS&THRASHERS/Mimidae				
Gray catbird	<i>Dumatella</i>	<i>carolinensis</i>	A	n/a
Northern mockingbird*	<i>Mimus</i>	<i>polyglottos</i>	R	c
Sage thrasher	<i>Oreoscoptes</i>	<i>montanus</i>	M	r
Bendire's thrasher	<i>Toxostoma</i>	<i>bendirei</i>	S	r
Crissal thrasher*	<i>Toxostoma</i>	<i>crissale</i>	R	c
STARLINGS/Sturnidae				
European starling*	<i>Sturnus</i>	<i>vulgaris</i>	I	c
PIPITS/Motacillidae				
American pipit	<i>Anthus</i>	<i>rubescens</i>	W	c
WAXWINGS/Bombycillidae				
Cedar waxwing	<i>Bombycilla</i>	<i>cedrorum</i>	W	r
SILKY FLYCATCHERS/Ptilonotidae				
Phainopepla*	<i>Phainopepla</i>	<i>nitens</i>	R	c
WOOD-WARBLEDERS/Parulidae				
Orange-crowned warbler	<i>Vermivora</i>	<i>celata</i>	W	u
Nashville warbler	<i>Dendroica</i>	<i>ruficapilla</i>	M	r
Virginia's warbler	<i>Vermivora</i>	<i>virginiae</i>	M	r
Lucy's warbler	<i>Vermivora</i>	<i>luciae</i>	S	c
Yellow warbler*	<i>Dendroica</i>	<i>petechia</i>	S	c
Chestnut-sided warbler	<i>Dendroica</i>	<i>pensylvanica</i>	A	n/a
Yellow-rumped warbler	<i>Dendroica</i>	<i>coronata</i>	M	c
Black-throated gray warbler	<i>Dendroica</i>	<i>nigrescens</i>	M	r
Townsend's warbler	<i>Dendroica</i>	<i>townsendi</i>	M	r
Hermit warbler	<i>Dendroica</i>	<i>occidentalis</i>	M	r
Palm warbler	<i>Dendroica</i>	<i>palmarum</i>	M	r
Black-and-white warbler	<i>Mniotilta</i>	<i>varia</i>	M	r
Ovenbird	<i>Seiurus</i>	<i>aurocapillus</i>	M	r
Northern waterthrush	<i>Seiurus</i>	<i>noveboracensis</i>	M	r
MacGillivray's warbler	<i>Oporornis</i>	<i>tolmiei</i>	M	r
Common yellowthroat*	<i>Geothlypis</i>	<i>trichas</i>	S	c
Wilson's warbler	<i>Wilsonia</i>	<i>pusilla</i>	M	c
Yellow-breasted chat	<i>Icteria</i>	<i>virens</i>	S	u
TANAGERS/Thraupidae				
Summer tanager	<i>Piranga</i>	<i>rubra</i>	S	r
Western tanager	<i>Piranga</i>	<i>ludoviciana</i>	M	r

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EMBERIZIDS/Emberizidae				
Green-tailed towhee	<i>Pipilo</i>	<i>chlorurus</i>	M	r
Spotted towhee	<i>Pipilo</i>	<i>maculatus</i>	W	r
Abert's towhee*	<i>Pipilo</i>	<i>aberti</i>	R	c
American tree sparrow	<i>Spizella</i>	<i>arborea</i>	W	r
Chipping sparrow	<i>Spizella</i>	<i>passerina</i>	M	r
Brewer's sparrow	<i>Spizella</i>	<i>breweri</i>	R	c
Vesper sparrow	<i>Pooecetes</i>	<i>gramineus</i>	M	r
Lark sparrow	<i>Chondestes</i>	<i>grammacus</i>	M	u
Black-throated sparrow	<i>Amphispiza</i>	<i>bilineata</i>	S	r
Savannah sparrow	<i>Passerculus</i>	<i>sandwichensis</i>	W	c
Fox sparrow	<i>Passerella</i>	<i>iliaca</i>	M	r
Song sparrow*	<i>Melospiza</i>	<i>melodia</i>	R	c
Lincoln's sparrow	<i>Melospiza</i>	<i>lincolnii</i>	M	c
Swamp sparrow	<i>Melospiza</i>	<i>georgiana</i>	M	r
White-throated sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia</i>	<i>albicollis</i>	M	r
White-crowned sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia</i>	<i>leucophrys</i>	W	c
Dark-eyed junco	<i>Junco</i>	<i>hyemalis</i>	W	u
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS & BUNTINGS/Cardinalidae				
Black-headed grosbeak	<i>Pheucticus</i>	<i>melanocephalus</i>	M	r
Blue grosbeak*	<i>Guiraca</i>	<i>caerulea</i>	S	u
Lazuli bunting	<i>Passerina</i>	<i>amoena</i>	M	r
Indigo bunting	<i>Passerina</i>	<i>cyanea</i>	S	r
BLACKBIRDS/Icteridae				
Bobolink	<i>Dolichonyx</i>	<i>oryzivorus</i>	M	r
Red-winged blackbird*	<i>Agelaius</i>	<i>phoeniceus</i>	R	a
Western meadowlark*	<i>Sturnella</i>	<i>neglecta</i>	R	u
Yellow-headed blackbird*	<i>Xanthocephalus</i>	<i>xanthocephalus</i>	S	c
Brewer's blackbird	<i>Euphagus</i>	<i>cianocephalus</i>	W	a
Great-tailed grackle*	<i>Quiscalus</i>	<i>mexicanus</i>	R	c
Brown-headed cowbird*	<i>Molothrus</i>	<i>ater</i>	R	u
Hooded oriole	<i>Icterus</i>	<i>cucullatus</i>	S	r
Bullock's oriole	<i>Icterus</i>	<i>bullockii</i>	S	r
FINCHES/Fringillidae				
Cassin's finch	<i>Carpodacus</i>	<i>cassinii</i>	M	r
House finch*	<i>Carpodacus</i>	<i>mexicanus</i>	R	a
Lesser goldfinch	<i>Carduelis</i>	<i>tristis</i>	R	u
OLD WORLD SPARROWS/Passeridae				
House sparrow*	<i>Passer</i>	<i>domesticus</i>	I	a