

Let your birding adventure take flight at Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve. This list covers all of Chase County, Kansas, including the preserve, so enjoy and prepare to be amazed at the birds of the tallgrass prairie and all of what the tallgrass prairie has to offer!

GEESE, SWANS, & DUCKS

- Greater White-fronted Goose
- Snow Goose
- Cackling Goose
- Canada Goose
- Tundra Swan
- Wood Duck
- Gadwall
- American Wigeon
- Mallard
- Blue-winged Teal
- Cinnamon Teal
- Northern Shoveler
- Northern Pintail
- Green-winged Teal
- Canvasback
- Redhead
- Ring-necked Duck
- Greater Scaup
- Lesser Scaup
- Bufflehead
- Common Goldeneye
- Hooded Merganser
- Common Merganser
- Red-breasted Merganser
- Ruddy Duck

GROUSE, PHEASANT, & TURKEY

- Ring-necked Pheasant
- Greater Prairie-Chicken
- Wild Turkey

QUAIL

- Northern Bobwhite

LOONS

- Red-throated Loon
- Common Loon

GREBES

- Pied-billed Grebe
- Horned Grebe
- Eared Grebe

PELICANS

- American White Pelican
- Brown Pelican

CORMORANTS

- Double-crested Cormorant

HERONS

- American Bittern
- Great Blue Heron
- Great Egret
- Snowy Egret
- Little Blue Heron
- Cattle Egret
- Green Heron
- Black-crowned Night-Heron

IBISES

- Roseate Spoonbill

VULTURES

- Turkey Vulture

HAWKS, EAGLES, & KITES

- Osprey
- Mississippi Kite
- Bald Eagle
- Northern Harrier
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Cooper's Hawk
- Northern Goshawk
- Red-shouldered Hawk
- Broad-winged Hawk
- Swainson's Hawk
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Ferruginous Hawk
- Rough-legged Hawk
- Golden Eagle

FALCONS

- American Kestrel
- Merlin
- Peregrine Falcon
- Prairie Falcon

RAILS, GALLINULES, & COOTS

- Virginia Rail
- Sora
- Purple Gallinule
- American Coot

CRANES

- Sandhill Crane
- Whooping Crane

PLOVERS

- American Golden-Plover
- Semipalmated Plover
- Killdeer

SANDPIPERS

- Spotted Sandpiper
- Greater Yellowlegs
- Willet
- Lesser Yellowlegs
- Upland Sandpiper
- Long-billed Curlew
- Semipalmated Sandpiper
- Western Sandpiper
- Least Sandpiper
- White-rumped Sandpiper
- Baird's Sandpiper
- Pectoral Sandpiper
- Dunlin
- Stilt Sandpiper
- Short-billed Dowitcher
- Long-billed Dowitcher
- Wilson's Snipe
- American Woodcock
- Wilson's Phalarope

GULLS & TERNS

- Franklin's Gull
- Bonaparte's Gull
- Ring-billed Gull
- Herring Gull
- Black Tern
- Forster's Tern

PIGEONS & DOVES

- Rock Pigeon
- Eurasian Collared-Dove
- Mourning Dove

CUCKOOS

- Yellow-billed Cuckoo
- Black-billed Cuckoo

BARN OWLS

- Barn Owl

TYPICAL OWLS

- Eastern Screech-Owl
- Great Horned Owl
- Snowy Owl
- Burrowing Owl
- Barred Owl
- Long-eared Owl
- Short-eared Owl

GOATSUCKERS

- Common Nighthawk
- Common Poor-will
- Chuck-will's-widow
- Whip-poor-will

SWIFTS

- Chimney Swift

HUMMINGBIRDS

- Ruby-throated Hummingbird

KINGFISHERS

- Belted Kingfisher

WOODPECKERS

- Red-headed Woodpecker
- Red-bellied Woodpecker
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
- Downy Woodpecker
- Hairy Woodpecker
- Northern Flicker
- Pileated Woodpecker

FLYCATCHERS

- Olive-sided Flycatcher
- Eastern Wood-Pewee
- Willow Flycatcher
- Least Flycatcher
- Eastern Phoebe
- Say's Phoebe
- Great Crested Flycatcher
- Western Kingbird
- Eastern Kingbird
- Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

SHRIKES

- Loggerhead Shrike

VIREOS

- White-eyed Vireo
- Bell's Vireo
- Blue-headed Vireo
- Warbling Vireo
- Philadelphia Vireo
- Red-eyed Vireo

JAYS, CROWS, & MAGPIES

- Blue Jay
- Black-billed Magpie
- American Crow

LARKS

- Horned Lark

SWALLOWS

- ___ Purple Martin
- ___ Tree Swallow
- ___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- ___ Bank Swallow
- ___ Cliff Swallow
- ___ Barn Swallow

CHICKADEES & TITMICE

- ___ Black-capped Chickadee
- ___ Tufted Titmouse

NUTHATCHES

- ___ Red-breasted Nuthatch
- ___ White-breasted Nuthatch

CREEPERS

- ___ Brown Creeper

WRENS

- ___ Carolina Wren
- ___ Bewick's Wren
- ___ House Wren
- ___ Winter Wren

KINGLETS

- ___ Golden-crowned Kinglet
- ___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet

GNATCATCHERS

- ___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

THRUSHES

- ___ Eastern Bluebird
- ___ Mountain Bluebird
- ___ Townsend's Solitaire
- ___ Gray-cheeked Thrush
- ___ Swainson's Thrush
- ___ Hermit Thrush
- ___ Wood Thrush
- ___ American Robin

MOCKINGBIRDS & THRASHERS

- ___ Gray Catbird
- ___ Northern Mockingbird
- ___ Brown Thrasher

STARLINGS

- ___ European Starling

PIPITS

- ___ American Pipit
- ___ Sprague's Pipit

WAXWINGS

- ___ Cedar Waxwing

WARBLERS

- ___ Tennessee Warbler
- ___ Orange-crowned Warbler
- ___ Nashville Warbler
- ___ Northern Parula
- ___ Yellow Warbler
- ___ Chestnut-sided Warbler
- ___ Black-throated Blue Warbler
- ___ Yellow-rumped Warbler
- ___ Black-throated Green Warbler
- ___ Blackburnian Warbler
- ___ Palm Warbler
- ___ Bay-breasted Warbler
- ___ Blackpoll Warbler
- ___ Black-and-White Warbler
- ___ American Redstart
- ___ Prothonotary Warbler
- ___ Ovenbird
- ___ Northern Waterthrush
- ___ Louisiana Waterthrush
- ___ Mourning Warbler
- ___ Common Yellowthroat
- ___ Wilson's Warbler
- ___ Yellow-breasted Chat

TANAGERS

- ___ Summer Tanager
- ___ Scarlet Tanager
- ___ Western Tanager

SPARROWS

- ___ Spotted Towhee
- ___ American Tree Sparrow
- ___ Chipping Sparrow
- ___ Clay-colored Sparrow
- ___ Field Sparrow
- ___ Vesper Sparrow
- ___ Lark Sparrow
- ___ Lark Bunting
- ___ Savannah Sparrow
- ___ Grasshopper Sparrow
- ___ Henslow's Sparrow
- ___ Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow
- ___ Fox Sparrow
- ___ Song Sparrow
- ___ Lincoln's Sparrow
- ___ Swamp Sparrow
- ___ White-throated Sparrow
- ___ Harris's Sparrow
- ___ White-crowned Sparrow
- ___ Dark-eyed Junco

SPARROWS, continued

- ___ Lapland Longspur
- ___ Smith's Longspur
- ___ Chestnut-collared Longspur

GROSBEAKS & BUNTINGS

- ___ Northern Cardinal
- ___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- ___ Black-headed Grosbeak
- ___ Blue Grosbeak
- ___ Indigo Bunting
- ___ Painted Bunting
- ___ Dickcissel

BLACKBIRDS & ORIOLES

- ___ Bobolink
- ___ Red-winged Blackbird
- ___ Eastern Meadowlark
- ___ Western Meadowlark
- ___ Yellow-headed Blackbird
- ___ Rusty Blackbird
- ___ Brewer's Blackbird
- ___ Common Grackle
- ___ Great-tailed Grackle
- ___ Brown-headed Cowbird
- ___ Orchard Oriole
- ___ Baltimore Oriole

FINCHES

- ___ Purple Finch
- ___ House Finch
- ___ Pine Siskin
- ___ American Goldfinch
- ___ Evening Grosbeak

OLD WORLD SPARROWS

- ___ House Sparrow

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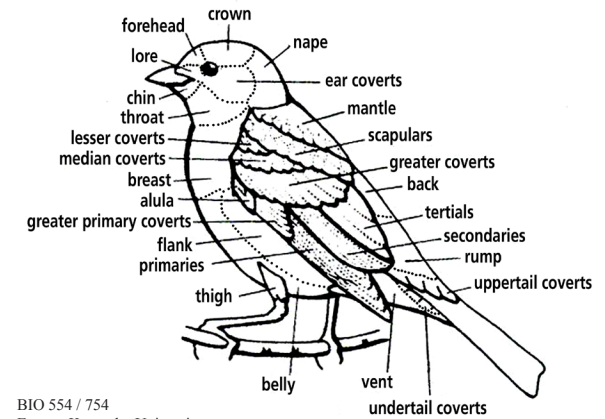
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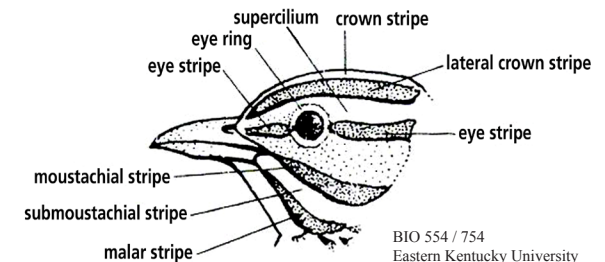


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Birding tips:

1. Find a field guide or birding checklist and take some time to study. Start out by identifying a representative bird from each family group.
2. Consider a bird's habitat, range, and seasonal variation to help narrow down the possible number of birds to identify in a particular area.
3. Improve the chances for identification by noting a bird's "field marks," such as shape, size, colors, markings, sounds, behaviors, and flight patterns.
4. Birding can be enjoyed with one's eyes alone, but a small pair of medium-power binoculars can greatly enhance the experience.
5. Show respect for nature and others by causing as little disturbance as possible while birding.