

Listed in this brochure are birds most likely to be found in Winnebago County. They are grouped according to the order established by the American Ornithological Union (AOU). Some birds may be found year-round while others appear only in migration or during certain seasons of the year. Seasonal occurrence is indicated by the following symbols:

- Sp = Spring
- Su = Summer
- F = Fall
- W = Winter

Beyond that, your chances of seeing a particular species is indicated by:

- a = abundant (hard to miss)
- c = common (should see)
- o = occasional (may see)
- u = unusual (lucky to find)

An * is used to indicate birds known to breed in the county.

Winnebago County Specialties

Red-necked Grebe

Known to breed in Rush Lake.

Ruddy Turnstone

One of the best locations to see Ruddy Turnstones in the state is Menominee Park in Oshkosh during the lake fly season in early May.

Forster's Tern & Sedge Wren

The county is host to breeding populations of these species.

Rails, Gallinules

<input type="checkbox"/> King Rail*	uSp	uSu	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Sora*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Virginia Rail*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Rail	uSp	Đ Đ	Đ	-
<input type="checkbox"/> American Coot*	aSp	cSu	aF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Moorhen*	cSp	cSu	uF	-

Crane

<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill Crane*	aSp	cSu	aF	-
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Plovers

<input type="checkbox"/> American Golden Plover	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied Plover	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer*	aSp	aSu	aF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Plover	cSp	-	oF	-

Sandpipers

<input type="checkbox"/> American Woodcock*	aSp	cSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Dunlin	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Yellowlegs	aSp	oSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Hudsonian Godwit	uSp	-	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Sandpiper	cSp	-	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Yellowlegs	aSp	oSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-billed Dowitcher	-	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Marbled Godwit	uSp	-	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Pectoral Sandpiper	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Knot	uSp	-	uF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Turnstone	cSp	uSu	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Sanderling	cSp	-	uF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Sandpiper	cSp	-	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Dowitcher	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary Sandpiper	cSp	-	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Upland Sandpiper*	oSp	oSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> White-rumped Sandpiper	uSp	-	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Phalarope*	cSp	uSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Snipe*	aSp	cSu	cF	-

Gulls

<input type="checkbox"/> Bonaparte's Gull	cSp	uSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Herring Gull*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull*	aSp	aSu	aF	cW

Terns

<input type="checkbox"/> Black Tern*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Caspian Tern	oSp	oSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Tern*	oSp	oSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Forster's Tern*	cSp	cSu	cF	-

Doves

<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Pigeon*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW

Cuckoos

<input type="checkbox"/> Black-billed Cuckoo	oSp	uSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-billed Cuckoo	oSp	uSu	oF	-

Owls

<input type="checkbox"/> Barred Owl*	oSp	oSu	oF	oW
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Screech Owl*	cSp	cSu	cF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Horned Owl*	cSp	cSu	cF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-eared Owl	uSp	-	uF	oW
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Saw-whet Owl	uSp	-	uF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-eared Owl*	uSp	-	uF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Owl	oSp	-	oF	cW

Goatsuckers

<input type="checkbox"/> Common Nighthawk*	aSp	aSu	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Whip-poor-Will	uSp	-	uF	-

Swift

<input type="checkbox"/> Chimney Swift*	aSp	aSu	aF	-
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Hummingbird

<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	cSp	oSu	cF	-
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Kingfisher

<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher*	oSp	oSu	oF	uW
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Woodpeckers

<input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker*	cSp	cSu	cF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker*	aSp	aSu	aF	oW
<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker	uSp	uSu	uF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-bellied Woodpecker*	cSp	cSu	cF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-headed Woodpecker*	oSp	oSu	oF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	cSp	-	oF	-

Flycatchers

<input type="checkbox"/> Alder Flycatcher	oSp	oSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird*	aSp	aSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe*	cSp	cSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Wood Pewee*	aSp	aSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Crested Flycatcher*	aSp	aSu	Đ	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher*	aSp	aSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Olive-sided Flycatcher	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Willow Flycatcher*	aSp	aSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	-	uSu	uF	-

Shrike

<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shrike	-	-	-	uW
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Vireos

<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia Vireo	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo*	aSp	aSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Warbling Vireo*	aSp	aSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-throated Vireo*	cSp	cSu	oF	-

Jay, Crow

<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Jay*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> American Crow*	-	-	-	-

Lark

<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Lark*	aSp	cSu	cF	aW
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Swallows

<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Swallow*	cSp	cSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow*	aSp	aSu	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Cliff Swallow*	aSp	aSu	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Rough-winged Swallow*	uSp	uSu	uF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Martin*	aSp	aSu	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow*	aSp	aSu	aF	-

Chickadee

<input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped Chickadee*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW
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Nuthatches

<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Nuthatch*	cSp	uSu	cF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> White-breasted Nuthatch*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW

Creepers

<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Creeper	oSp	uSu	oF	cW
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Wrens

<input type="checkbox"/> Marsh Wren*	aSp	aSu	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> House Wren*	aSp	aSu	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Sedge Wren*	aSp	aSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Wren*	oSp	uSu	oF	-

Kinglets

<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-crowned Kinglet	cSp	-	cF	oW
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-crowned Kinglet*	cSp	-	cF	uW

Gnatcatcher

<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
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Thrushes

<input type="checkbox"/> American Robin*	aSp	aSu	aF	oW
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Bluebird*	cSp	cSu	cF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray-cheeked Thrush	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Hermit Thrush	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Thrush	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Veery*	cSp	oSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Thrush*	cSp	oSu	oF	-

Catbird

<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird*	aSp	aSu	cF	-
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Thrasher

<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Thrasher*	cSp	cSu	cF	-
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Starling

<input type="checkbox"/> European Starling*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW
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Waxwing

<input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing*	cSp	cSu	cF	oW
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Warblers

<input type="checkbox"/> American Redstart*	cSp	oSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Bay-breasted Warbler	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-white Warbler	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackburnian Warbler	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackpoll Warbler	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Blue Warbler	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Green Warbler	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Warbler*	oSp	uSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Warbler	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Cape May Warbler	cSp	-	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Chestnut-sided Warbler	cSp	uSu	oF	-

Checklist of Birds

	Sp	Su	F	W
Geese				
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose*	aSp	aSu	aF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Goose	oSp	uSu	oF	uW
Swans				
<input type="checkbox"/> Mute Swan	uSp	-	uF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpeter Swan	-	-	uF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Tundra Swan	cSp	-	cF	-
Ducks				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Black Duck*	cSp	oSu	cF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> American Wigeon	cSp	uSu	cF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal*	aSp	cSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Bufflehead	aSp	-	cF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Canvasback*	oSp	uSu	oF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Goldeneye	aSp	-	cF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Pintail*	cSp	oSu	oF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Gadwall*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Scaup	cSp	-	cF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Green-winged Teal	aSp	oSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Scaup*	aSp	uSu	cF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shoveler*	cSp	oSu	cF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Redhead*	cSp	cSu	oF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck*	cSp	uSu	cF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Duck*	cSp	cSu	cF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck*	aSp	aSu	aF	oW
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Merganser	aSp	-	cF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> Hooded Merganser*	cSp	uSu	oF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Merganser	aSp	-	oF	uW
Partridge				
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Partridge	uSp	uSu	uF	oW
Pheasant				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Pheasant*	oSp	oSu	oF	oW
Grouse				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruffed Grouse*	oSp	oSu	oF	oW
Turkey				
<input type="checkbox"/> Wild Turkey	oSp	oSu	oF	oW
Loons				
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Loon	cSp	-	oF	-
Grebes				
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Grebe	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed Grebe*	aSp	aSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-necked Grebe*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Grebe	uSp	uSu	-	-
Pelican				
<input type="checkbox"/> American White Pelican	oSp	uSu	-	-
Cormorant				
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant	cSp	cSu	cF	uW
Bitterns, Herons				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Bittern*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Least Bittern*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-crowned Night-heron*	cSp	cSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Cattle Egret	uSp	uSu	-	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron*	aSp	aSu	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Egret	cSp	cSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Green Heron*	cSp	cSu	oF	-
Vultures				
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture	cSp	oSu	cF	-
Hawks				
<input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel*	aSp	aSu	aF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle*	cSp	oSu	cF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged Hawk	aSp	-	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Cooper's Hawk*	cSp	cSu	cF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Merlin	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Goshawk	-	-	oF	oW
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier*	cSp	cSu	cF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Osprey	oSp	uSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Peregrine Falcon	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-shouldered Hawk	oSp	-	oF	uW
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk*	aSp	cSu	aF	aW
<input type="checkbox"/> Rough-legged Hawk	oSp	-	oF	cW
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk*	cSp	uSu	cF	oW

Warblers *continued*

<input type="checkbox"/> Common Yellowthroat*	aSp	aSu	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-winged Warbler	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Magnolia Warbler	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Warbler*	oSp	uSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Nashville Warbler	cSp	-	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Parula	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Waterthrush	cSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Orange-crowned Warbler	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Ovenbird*	cSp	oSu	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Palm Warbler	cSp	-	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine Warbler	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Warbler	aSp	-	cF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Warbler	oSp	-	oF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler	aSp	-	aF	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Warbler*	aSp	aSu	oF	-

Tanager

<input type="checkbox"/> Scarlet Tanager*	cSp	oSu	oF	-
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