

# BENNINGTON LAKE BIRDS



## SEASONS

These categories are of necessity arbitrary and do overlap. They indicate the general periods in which to expect a large percentage of the species.

**SP** – Spring (Mar-June)

**S** – Summer (June-Aug)

**F** – Fall (Aug-Nov)

**W** – Winter (Nov-Feb)

## RELATIVE ABUNDANCE

**c** – common: certain to occur in suitable habitat

**u** – uncommon: few individuals likely to be seen in one day

**o** – occasional: recorded only a few times during a season

**r** – rare: recorded less than five times.

\*\* breeds at Bennington Lake

**(I)** introduced species

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<b>Species</b>	<b>Sp</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>W</b>
<b><u>Waterfowl</u></b>				
Gr. White-fronted goose	r		o	
Snow goose			r	
Cackling goose	o			o
Canada goose**	c	c	c	c
Trumpeter swan				r
Tundra swan			o	o
Wood duck**	u	u	o	o
Gadwall			o	u
American wigeon	c	o	c	u
Mallard**	c	c	c	c
Blue-winged teal	o	o	r	
Cinnamon teal	r			
Northern shoveler	u	c	u	o
Northern pintail	u		u	u
Green-winged teal	u		c	c
Canvasback			o	
Redhead			o	
Ring-necked duck	u		u	o
Greater scaup			o	o
Lesser scaup	u	o	o	
Surf scoter			r	
White-winged scoter			r	
Bufflehead	u	o	u	u
Common goldeneye	o		u	u
Barrow's goldeneye			r	r
Hooded merganser			u	u
Common merganser	u		u	c
Red-breasted merganser			r	
Ruddy duck	u		u	
<b><u>Upland Game Birds</u></b>				
Gray partridge (I)		r		
Ring-necked pheasant (I)**	c	c	c	u
Wild turkey (I)			r	
California quail (I)**	c	c	c	c
<b><u>Loons and Grebes</u></b>				
Common loon	o	r	o	r
Pied-billed grebe		o	o	
Horned grebe			o	
Red-necked grebe			r	
Eared grebe	o	o	o	
Western grebe			u	u
<b><u>Cormorants and Herons</u></b>				
Double crested cormorant	u	u	u	o
Great blue heron	c	c	c	c
Great egret			u	
Black-crowned night heron		o	o	
<b><u>Raptors</u></b>				
Osprey	u	u		
Bald eagle			o	r
Northern harrier**	c	u	c	c
Sharp-shinned hawk			u	u
Cooper's hawk**	o	o	u	u
Northern goshawk	o	r	o	o
Swainson's hawk		o		
Red-tailed hawk**	c	c	c	c
Rough-legged hawk				o
Golden eagle			o	
American kestrel**	c	c	c	c
Merlin			o	o
Peregrine falcon			r	r

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Prairie falcon				r
<b><u>Coots</u></b>				
American coot	u		c	c
<b><u>Shorebirds</u></b>				
Black-bellied plover			u	
Am. Golden plover			r	
Semipalmated plover			o	
Killdeer**	c	c	c	u
American avocet			r	
Greater yellowlegs			u	o
Lesser yellowlegs			o	
Solitary sandpiper	o	o		
Spotted sandpiper**	c	c	o	r
Semi-palmated sandpiper			r	
Western sandpiper		u	u	r
Least sandpiper			u	r
Baird's sandpiper			u	
Pectoral sandpiper			o	
Dunlin			o	o
Long-billed dowitcher			o	
Short-billed dowitcher		r		
Wilson's snipe			o	
Red-necked phalarope			o	
<b><u>Gulls and Terns</u></b>				
Parasitic jaeger			r	
Franklin's gull			r	
Bonaparte's gull				r
Ring-billed gull	u	u	u	o
California gull	o	u	o	o
Herring gull	o	o	o	o
Sabine's gull			r	
Caspian tern	o	u		
Forster's tern	o		o	
Common tern			r	
<b><u>Pigeons and Doves</u></b>				
Rock pigeon (I)		o	o	
White-winged dove			r	
Mourning dove**	c	c	c	u
<b><u>Owls</u></b>				
Barn owl**	u		o	u
Western screech owl**	o	o	o	o
Great horned owl**	u	u	u	u
Northern pygmy owl			r	
Great gray owl				r
Long-eared owl**	o	o	o	u
Short-eared owl				r
Northern saw-whet owl			o	o
<b><u>Nighthawks and Swifts</u></b>				
Common nighthawk		o		
Vaux's swift	c	c	o	
<b><u>Hummingbirds</u></b>				
Bl-chinned hummingbird**	u	u	u	
Calliope hummingbird	u	u	u	
Rufous hummingbird		o		
<b><u>Kingfishers</u></b>				
Belted kingfisher	u	u	c	o
<b><u>Woodpeckers</u></b>				
Red-naped sapsucker			o	
Downy woodpecker**	c	c	c	c
Hairy woodpecker	u	o	u	u
Northern flicker**	c	c	c	c

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<b><u>Flycatchers</u></b>				
Olive-sided flycatcher	o		o	
Western wood peewee**	c	c	u	
Willow flycatcher**	u	u	u	
Least flycatcher		r		
Hammond's flycatcher		o	o	
Dusky flycatcher	o	o	o	
Western flycatcher		o	o	
Say's phoebe	o		o	
Western kingbird**	c	c	u	
Eastern kingbird**	c	c	u	
<b><u>Shrikes</u></b>				
Northern shrike	o		o	o
<b><u>Vireos</u></b>				
Cassin's vireo	o		o	
Warbling vireo**	c	c	u	
<b><u>Corvids</u></b>				
Steller's jay	r			
Black-billed magpie**	c	c	c	c
American crow	u	u	u	u
Common raven	u	o	u	u
<b><u>Larks and Swallows</u></b>				
Horned lark			o	o
Tree swallow**	c	c	u	
Violet-green swallow**	c	c	u	
N. rough-winged swallow**	u	u	u	
Bank swallow**	c	c	u	
Cliff swallow**	c	c	u	
Barn swallow	u	u	u	
<b><u>Chickadees and Nuthatches</u></b>				
Black-capped chickadee**	c	c	c	c
Red-breasted nuthatch		o		
<b><u>Wrens</u></b>				
Rock wren		o	o	
Bewick's wren**	c	c	c	c
House wren**	c	c	u	
Winter wren	o		u	u
<b><u>Kinglets</u></b>				
Golden-crowned kinglet			u	u
Ruby-crowned kinglet	u		u	u
<b><u>Thrushes</u></b>				
Western bluebird	o	o	o	
Mountain bluebird	o	o		
Townsend's solitaire	o		u	u
Hermit thrush	o		o	o
American robin**	c	c	c	c
Varied thrush			u	u
<b><u>Mimids, Starling, Pipit</u></b>				
Gray catbird**	u	u	o	
Sage thrasher	r			
European starling (I)	u	u	u	u
American pipit	o		u	o
<b><u>Waxwings</u></b>				
Bohemian waxwing			o	u
Cedar waxwing**	u	c	u	u
<b><u>Warblers</u></b>				
Orange-crowned warbler	u	u	u	
Nashville warbler	o	o	o	
Yellow warbler**	c	c	c	
Yellow-rumped warbler	u	u	c	o
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Black-throated gray warbler			r
Townsend's warbler	o		o
MacGillivray's warbler**	u	u	o
Common yellowthroat			o
Wilson's warbler	u	u	u
Yellow-breasted chat**	c	c	u

**Tanager**

Western tanager	u	u	u
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**Sparrows**

Spotted towhee	o	o	u	u
American tree sparrow				o
Chipping sparrow**	c	c	u	
Clay-colored sparrow	r			
Brewer's sparrow*		u	u	
Vesper sparrow			o	
Savannah sparrow			o	
Fox sparrow	r		r	
Song sparrow**	c	c	c	c
Lincoln's sparrow	o		o	
White-throated sparrow			r	r
Harris' sparrow			r	r
White-crowned sparrow			c	u
Dark-eyed junco	c		c	c
Snow bunting				r
Black-headed grosbeak**	u	u	u	
Lazuli bunting**	c	c	u	

**Blackbirds and Orioles**

Red-winged blackbird**	c	c	c	u
Western meadowlark	o	o	o	
Rusty blackbird				r
Brewer's blackbird		u		
Brown-headed cowbird**	c	c	u	
Bullock's oriole**	u	c	u	

**Finches**

Gray-crowned rosy finch			r	r
Cassin's finch			o	
House finch**	c	c	c	c
Red crossbill			o	
Common redpoll				r
Pine siskin			u	u
American goldfinch**	c	c	c	c
Evening grosbeak	o		o	o