

**Checklist of Birds - Macomb County, MI**  
**Total: 328 species Updated 12/16/2018**  
**Compiled by Brian McGee**

Species	County Status	Locations, Dates, Sources (see notes)
	[C] = Casual (B) = Breeder [A] = Accidental (P) = Poss. Breeder [E] = Extirpated	
<b>GAVIIFORMES</b>		
GAVIIDAE		
Red-throated Loon	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark: March 18 2007 - April 14 2007
Common Loon		
<b>PODICIPEDIFORMES</b>		
PODICIPEDIDAE		
Pied-billed Grebe	(B)	
Horned Grebe		
Red-necked Grebe	[C]	
Eared Grebe	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark: May 1982, May 1985. DNR Point: May 2014
<b>PROCELLARIIFORMES</b>		
PROCELLARIIDAE		
Manx Shearwater	[A]	Armada Twp. August 19, 2000 (MBRC)
PELECANIFORMES		
SULIDAE		
Northern Gannet	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark
PELECANIDAE		
American White Pelican	[C]	
PHALACROCORACIDAE		
Double-crested Cormorant		
FREGATIDAE		
Magnificent Frigatebird	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark Oct 26-28 1995 (MBRC) Fregata sp., July 18, 2010 (MBRC)
<b>CICONIIFORMES</b>		
ARDEIDAE		
American Bittern		
Least Bittern	(B)	
Great Blue Heron	(B)	"Great White" Heron, Lake St. Clair Metropark July-Aug 1999 (MBRC)
Great Egret		
Snowy Egret	[C]	
Little Blue Heron	[A]	May 18 1989, July 30-31 1994, August 7-8 2000 (MBRC)
Tricolored Heron	[A]	LSC Metropark: May 19 1981, May 8 2006, May 23-27 2013 (MBRC)
Cattle Egret	[C]	
Green Heron	(B)	
Black-crowned Night-Heron	(P)	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	[C]	May 23 1981, Apr 20 1982, May 8 2010, June 8 2012 (MBRC)
THRESKIORNITHIDAE		
Glossy Ibis	[A]	Oct 23-25 1990 (MBRC)
<i>Plegadis</i> Ibis	[A]	Nov 11-Dec 6 2001, Oct 15-16 2005 Lake St. Clair Metropark (MBRC)
CATHARTIDAE		
Turkey Vulture	(B)	
Black Vulture	[A]	Wetzel State Park: October 30 2014
<b>ANSERIFORMES</b>		
ANATIDAE		
Greater White-fronted Goose	[C]	
Snow Goose	[C]	
Ross's Goose	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark: Oct 12 2008, Mar 10 2013; Warren Oct 21-Nov 11, 2009
Canada Goose	(B)	
Cackling Goose	[C]	
Brant	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark
Mute Swan	(B)	
Trumpeter Swan		
Tundra Swan		
Wood Duck	(B)	
Gadwall		
Eurasian Wigeon	[A]	May 5-8 1975, Sep 17 1982, Nov 29-30 1997 (MBRC)
American Wigeon		
American Black Duck		
Mallard	(B)	
Blue-winged Teal	(B)	
Cinnamon Teal	[A]	Chesterfield Twp. Apr 26-28 1982 (MBRC)
Northern Shoveler		
Northern Pintail		
Green-winged Teal		
Canvasback		

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Redhead		
Ring-necked Duck		
Greater Scaup		
Lesser Scaup	(P)	
King Eider	[A]	Dec 18 1976 (MBRC)
Surf Scoter		
White-winged Scoter		
Black Scoter	[C]	
Long-tailed Duck		
Bufflehead		
Common Goldeneye		
Barrow's Goldeneye	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark
Hooded Merganser	(P)	
Common Merganser		
Red-breasted Merganser		
Ruddy Duck	(P)	
<b>FALCONIFORMES</b>		
ACCIPITRIDAE		
Osprey	(B)	
Mississippi Kite	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark June 3 2006, Macomb Twp. July 8 2014 (MBRC)
Bald Eagle	(B)	
Northern Harrier	(P)	
Sharp-shinned Hawk		
Cooper's Hawk	(B)	
Northern Goshawk	[C]	
Red-shouldered Hawk	(P)	
Broad-winged Hawk	(P)	
Red-tailed Hawk	(B)	
Rough-legged Hawk		
Golden Eagle	[C]	
FALCONIDAE		
American Kestrel	(B)	
Merlin		
Gyr Falcon	[A]	Chesterfield Twp., (RP) DNR Point Jan 26 – Feb 24 2013
Peregrine Falcon	(B)	
<b>GALLIFORMES</b>		
PHASIANIDAE		
Ring-necked Pheasant	(B)	
Ruffed Grouse	(C)	
Wild Turkey	(B)	
Northern Bobwhite	[E] / (B)	
<b>GRUIFORMES</b>		
RALLIDAE		
Yellow Rail	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark, (AC)
King Rail	[C]	6 records 1960 - 1987 (MBRC), Chesterfield Twp May 2017
Virginia Rail	(B)	
Sora	(B)	
Common Gallinule	(B)	
American Coot	(B)	
GRUIDAE		
Sandhill Crane	(B)	
Whooping Crane	[A]	Bruce Township May 3-4 2016
<b>CHARADRIIFORMES</b>		
CHARADRIIDAE		
Black-bellied Plover		
American Golden-Plover		
Semipalmated Plover		
Piping Plover	[C]	Stony Creek May 7 2011, Lake St. Clair Metropark July 24 2016
Snowy Plover	[A]	Stony Creek April 2-4, 2018
Killdeer	(B)	
RECURVIROSTRIDAE		
American Avocet	[C]	Wetzel SP 6/12/04, 8/21/09, SCMP 9/6/12, LSCMP 4/29/13 DNR 8/2/14
Black-necked Stilt	[A]	29 Mile Road & Omo Mitigated Wetlands 5/21/18
SCOLOPACIDAE		
Greater Yellowlegs		
Lesser Yellowlegs		
Solitary Sandpiper		
Willet	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark, I-94 & M-59 ponds
Spotted Sandpiper	(B)	
Upland Sandpiper		
Whimbrel		
Hudsonian Godwit	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark, Broughton Road (MB)
Marbled Godwit	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark May 6 1984, Aug 19 2009
Ruddy Turnstone		

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Red Knot	[C]	
Sanderling		
Semipalmated Sandpiper		
Western Sandpiper	[C]	8 Records 1976-2005 (MBRC)
Least Sandpiper		
White-rumped Sandpiper		
Baird's Sandpiper		
Pectoral Sandpiper		
Purple Sandpiper	[C]	DNR Point January 9-14 2007, Lake St. Clair Metropark January 11-17 2012
Dunlin		
Stilt Sandpiper		
Buff-breasted Sandpiper		
Ruff	[A]	May 12-16 1981 (MBRC)
Short-billed Dowitcher		
Long-billed Dowitcher		
Wilson's Snipe	(P)	
American Woodcock	(B)	
Wilson's Phalarope		
Red-necked Phalarope	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark Sep. 15-16 2012, Aug.16-23 2016
Red Phalarope	[A]	October 3-8 2003, Sep 22 2014 (MBRC), Oct. 30 – Nov 6 2015
LARIDAE		
Parasitic Jaeger	[C]	Ruedisale Park / Burke park October 15 2014, October 4 2016
Pomerine Jaeger	[A]	Ruedisale Park, Burke Park November 2017
Laughing Gull	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark May 22-June 18, 1999, Aug 27 2014
Franklin's Gull	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark Nov 21 1998, Jul 6 2013
Little Gull	[C]	Stony Creek Oct 8 2014
Bonaparte's Gull		
Heermann's Gull	[A]	LSCMP Aug 26-Dec 12 1979, Oct 24-Dec 1980 ,Oct 12-Nov 1 1981 (MBRC)
Ring-billed Gull		
California Gull	[C]	Burke Park Oct 21 2014 (MBRC)
Herring Gull		
Iceland Gull		
Lesser Black-backed Gull		
Glaucous Gull		
Great Black-backed Gull		
Sabine's Gull	[A]	
Black-legged Kittiwake	[A]	(MB)
Caspian Tern		
Common Tern	(B)	
Forster's Tern	(B)	
Black Tern	(B)	
ALCIDAE		
Common/Thick-billed Murre	[A]	November 23, 1950 (MBRC)
<b>COLUMBIFORMES</b>		
COLUMBIDAE		
Rock Pigeon	(B)	
Mourning Dove	(B)	
<b>CUCULIFORMES</b>		
CUCULIDAE		
Black-billed Cuckoo	(B)	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	(B)	
<b>STRIGIFORMES</b>		
TYTONIDAE		
Barn Owl	[E]	Jan 5 1958, Jan 10 1960, winter 1973-1974 (MBRC)
STRIGIDAE		
Eastern Screech-Owl	(B)	
Great Horned Owl	(B)	
Snowy Owl		
Barred Owl	(B)	
Long-eared Owl		
Short-eared Owl		
Northern Saw-whet Owl		
<b>CAPRIMULGIFORMES</b>		
CAPRIMULGIDAE		
Common Nighthawk	(P)	
Eastern Whip-poor-will		
<b>APODIFORMES</b>		
APODIDAE		
Chimney Swift	(B)	
TROCHILIDAE		
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	(B)	
Rufous Hummingbird	[A]	Ray Township October 4-5 2014

Black Chinned Hummingbird [A] Ray Township May 9, 2003 (AC)

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<b>CORACIIFORMES</b>		
ALCEDINIDAE		
Belted Kingfisher	(B)	
<b>PICIFORMES</b>		
PICIDAE		
Red-headed Woodpecker	(B)	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	(B)	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		
Downy Woodpecker	(B)	
Hairy Woodpecker	(B)	
Black-backed Woodpecker		Mt. Clemens, Dec. 5-19 1968 (AK)
Northern Flicker	(B)	
Pileated Woodpecker	(P)	
<b>PASSERIFORMES</b>		
TYRANNIDAE		
Olive-sided Flycatcher		
Eastern Wood-Pewee	(B)	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher		
Acadian Flycatcher	(P)	
Alder Flycatcher	(P)	
Willow Flycatcher	(B)	
Least Flycatcher	(P)	
Eastern Phoebe	(B)	
Vermilion Flycatcher	[A]	November 12 1972 (MBRC)
Great Crested Flycatcher	(B)	
Ash-Throated Flycatcher	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark (TH)
Eastern Kingbird	(B)	
LANIIDAE		
Loggerhead Shrike	[A]	April 18, 1954 (AK), May 3, 1962 (MBRC), Aug 5 – Oct 12 1981 (MBRC)
Northern Shrike		
VIREONIDAE		
White-eyed Vireo		
Bell's Vireo	[A]	May 6-20 1982 (MBRC)
Yellow-throated Vireo	(B)	
Blue-headed Vireo		
Warbling Vireo	(B)	
Philadelphia Vireo		
Red-eyed Vireo	(B)	
CORVIDAE		
Blue Jay	(B)	
American Crow	(B)	
ALAUDIDAE		
Horned Lark	(B)	
HIRUNDINIDAE		
Purple Martin	(B)	
Tree Swallow	(B)	
N. Rough-winged Swallow	(B)	
Bank Swallow	(B)	
Cliff Swallow	(B)	
Barn Swallow	(B)	
Cave Swallow	(C)	Lake St. Clair Metropark Oct 27 2012
PARIDAE		
Black-capped Chickadee	(B)	
Tufted Titmouse	(B)	
SITTIDAE		
Red-breasted Nuthatch	(B)	
White-breasted Nuthatch	(B)	
CERTHIIDAE		
Brown Creeper	(B)	
TROGLODYTIDAE		
Carolina Wren		
Bewick's Wren	[A]	May 14 1982 (MBRC), St. Clair Shores May 2 1963 (AK)
House Wren	(B)	
Winter Wren		
Sedge Wren		
Marsh Wren	(B)	
REGULIDAE		
Golden-crowned Kinglet		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		
SYLVIIDAE		

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (B)

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TURDIDAE		
Eastern Bluebird	(B)	
Mountain Bluebird	[A]	DNR Point December 9 - 31 2016
Townsend's Solitaire	[A]	Wolcott Mill Metropark October 24-27 2014
Veery	(P)	
Gray-cheeked Thrush		
Swainson's Thrush		
Hermit Thrush		
Wood Thrush	(B)	
American Robin	(B)	
Varied Thrush	[A]	Harrison Twp. Nov. 21-25, 1987, Lake St. Clair Metropark Oct. 16-30 2015
MIMIDAE		
Gray Catbird	(B)	
Northern Mockingbird	(C)	
Brown Thrasher	(B)	
STURNIDAE		
European Starling	(B)	
MOTACILLIDAE		
American Pipit		
BOMBYCILLIDAE		
Bohemian Waxwing	[C]	
Cedar Waxwing	(B)	
PARULIDAE		
Blue-winged Warbler	(B)	
Golden-winged Warbler	(B)	
Tennessee Warbler		
Orange-crowned Warbler		
Nashville Warbler		
Northern Parula		
Yellow Warbler	(B)	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	(P)	
Magnolia Warbler		
Cape May Warbler		
Black-throated Blue Warbler		
Yellow-rumped Warbler		'Audubon's' Warbler September 21, 1999 (MBRC)
Black-throated Green Warbler	(P)	
Blackburnian Warbler		
Yellow-throated Warbler	[C]	Romeo December 2003, Washington Twp. December 2010
Pine Warbler	(P)	
Prairie Warbler	[C]	
Palm Warbler		
Bay-breasted Warbler		
Blackpoll Warbler		
Cerulean Warbler		
Black-and-white Warbler		
American Redstart	(B)	
Prothonotary Warbler		
Worm-eating Warbler	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark April-May, 2008
Ovenbird	(B)	
Northern Waterthrush	(P)	
Louisiana Waterthrush		
Kentucky Warbler	[C]	
Connecticut Warbler		
Mourning Warbler	(P)	
Common Yellowthroat	(B)	
Hooded Warbler	(P)	
Wilson's Warbler		
Canada Warbler		
Kirtland's Warbler	[A]	Sterling Heights Nature Center May 14-16 2016
Yellow-breasted Chat		
THRAUPIDAE		
Summer Tanager	[C]	Lake St. Clair Metropark, Harrison Twp April 2013, Warren 2008
Scarlet Tanager	(P)	

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<b>EMBERIZIDAE</b>		
Eastern Towhee	(B)	
Spotted Towhee	[A]	Washington Twp., 12/19/09
Bachman's Sparrow	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark April 24, 1964 (RP)
American Tree Sparrow		
Chipping Sparrow	(B)	
Clay-colored Sparrow	(B)	Wetzel State Park
Field Sparrow	(B)	
Nelson's Sparrow		Lake St. Clair Metropark 9/28/12, September 2016
Vesper Sparrow	(B)	
Lark Sparrow	[C]	LSCMP May 1 2014, Brandenburg Park Nov 4-5 2014, SCMP May 29 2014
Savannah Sparrow	(B)	
Grasshopper Sparrow	(B)	
Henslow's Sparrow	(P)	
Fox Sparrow		
Song Sparrow	(B)	
Lincoln's Sparrow		
Swamp Sparrow	(B)	
White-throated Sparrow		
Harris's Sparrow	[C]	Shadbrush Nature Center Jan. 2003, Clinton Township, May 7-9 2003
White-crowned Sparrow		
Dark-eyed Junco		
Lapland Longspur		
Snow Bunting		
<b>CARDINALIDAE</b>		
Northern Cardinal	(B)	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	(B)	
Blue Grosbeak	[A]	Lake St. Clair Metropark May 19 2014
Indigo Bunting	(B)	
Dickcissel	[C]	
<b>ICTERIDAE</b>		
Bobolink	(B)	
Red-winged Blackbird	(B)	
Eastern Meadowlark	(B)	
Western Meadowlark	[C]	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	[C]	
Rusty Blackbird		
Brewer's Blackbird	[C]	
Common Grackle	(B)	
Brown-headed Cowbird	(B)	
Orchard Oriole	(P)	
Baltimore Oriole	(B)	
<b>FRINGILLIDAE</b>		
Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch	[A]	Romeo Feb 26- late Mar 1984 (MBRC)
Pine Grosbeak	[C]	
Purple Finch		
House Finch	(B)	
Red Crossbill	[C]	
White-winged Crossbill	[C]	Clinton Twp. January – February 2009
Common Redpoll		
Hoary Redpoll	[C]	
Pine Siskin		
American Goldfinch	(B)	
Evening Grosbeak	[C]	
<b>PASSERIDAE</b>		
House Sparrow	(B)	

Notes:

- Sources include Michigan Breeding Bird Atlas (1983-1988 & 2002-2007), Zimmerman & Van Tyne (1959), Alice Kelley (AK) (1978), Robert Payne (RP)(1986), Chartier & Ziarno (2004), Lake St. Clair Metropark Metropark Checklist (MB), Michigan Birds Record Committee (MBRC), Allen Chartier (AC), Tom Heatley (TH)

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