

## Cope Environmental Center

### Birdathon

## Bird Checklist for Fledging Birders of CEC

For complete checklist of Birds of Indiana go to : <https://indianaaudubon.org/official-ibrc-bird-checklist/>

Birder's Name:

Team Name:

<b>X</b>	<b>Bird Name</b>	<b>Where to look for this bird</b>
	Canada Goose	Ponds, fields, large lawns, noisily flying overhead
	Mallard	Common duck on ponds and lakes
	Wood Duck	Swamps, ponds, lakes by woodlands
	Wild Turkey	In country fields, woodlands
	Great Blue Heron	Lakes, ponds, streams, flying overhead
	Black Vulture	Southern Wayne County, eating roadkill, flying overhead (Short tail, white wing tips)
	Turkey Vulture	Eating roadkill, wings held in V shape while soaring, (slightly longer tail, white along the underside of wing)
	Bald Eagle	Lakes and rivers (looking for fish to eat) and sometimes fields
	Cooper's Hawk	Often found attacking birds at feeders, perched on tree branches and flying overhead
	Red-tailed Hawk	Soaring above open fields sometimes hangs like a kite searching for moles and voles, perched in trees
	Red-shouldered Hawk	Woodlands, swamps, powerlines
	American Kestrel	In the open country, on utility wires with their tails bobbing to maintain balance
	Killdeer	Open spaces, frequently nesting on gravel driveways, parks, farmfields
	Ring-billed Gull	Lakes, parking lots, landfills
	Rock Pigeon	The common pigeon found in towns, around barns
	Mourning Dove	Feeders, fields, utility wires, trees
	Great Horned Owl	Dawn and dusk. Listen for their deep call...Hooooo, Hoo, Hoo, Hooooo
	Eastern Screech Owl	Dawn and dusk. They make a call that resembles a horse whinny
	Barred Owl	Dawn and dusk. Listen for their famous "Who Cooks for You?" call
	Chimney Swift	Flying and chattering overhead. They look like little flying cigars
	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Around flowers and hummingbird feeders
	Belted Kingfisher	Around ponds and streams, sometimes hovering over water
	Red-bellied Woodpecker	Trees, suet feeders
	Downy Woodpecker	Trees, suet feeders

Northern Flicker	A woodpecker that often feeds on the ground eating ants and insects
Pileated Woodpecker	Looks like Woody Woodpecker! Mature trees, suet feeders
Wood Pewee	Woods...often heard making its descending peeeeee and rising weee (pee-a-wee-Pee-ur)
Great-crested Flycatcher	Woodland clearings and forest edgings. Often calls "wheep-wheep-wheep!
Eastern Phoebe	Usually around wooded areas darting back and forth from a perch catching bugs
Eastern Kingbird	In open fields, perched on fences. Robin size, a conspicuous white band at end of tail, chases crows, hawks
Blue Jay	Squawky birds that might show up anywhere
American Crow	Often in fields. When flying overhead note the "rowing" motion of their wings
Purple Martin	Usually near water. Look for martin houses that people use to attract them
Tree Swallow	Open fields. Nest in bluebird boxes and tree cavities. Look for a very white belly.
Barn Swallow	Barns! Swooping flight over open fields, ponds, lakes and marshes
Carolina Chickadee	Bird feeders, woods
Tufted Titmouse	Bird feeders, woods
White-breasted Nuthatch	Bird feeders, woods
Carolina Wren	They might be nesting on your porch! They love hanging baskets and wreaths.
House Wren	Plain brown little wren that nests in birdhouses, tree cavities, common in gardens
Eastern Bluebird	In open fields, nest boxes, along the roadside on utility wires, perched on fences
American Robin	In your yard!
Wood Thrush	Woodlands, beautiful flute-like song
Brown Thrasher	Long tail, reddish brown with streaks below, brushy areas, woods edges.
Gray Catbird	In thickets and bushy trees (And they make a cat-like call!)
Northern Mockingbird	Open spaces with shrubbery nearby, on fence posts and utility wires. Noisy guys.
European Starling	Usually in large flocks. Black birds with a yellow bill. Farms, lawns, downtown areas
Yellow Warbler	Bushy edges of meadows, rivers and swamps
Common Yellowthroat	Shrubby areas around gardens, fields and wetlands
Eastern Towhee	Often foraging in leaf litter at edge of woods stirring up little insects.
Chipping Sparrow	Cute little sparrows often on your lawn. Rusty caps and white stripe just above eye
Song Sparrow	On ground at feeders, in bushes. Look for a stripey chest with a dot in the middle
White-throated sparrow	Often on the ground around feeders. A winter visitor
Scarlet Tanager	Beautiful but hard to find bird. Usually in woody areas high in the tree tops.
Northern Cardinal	Bird feeders, shrubby areas and woods. Our state bird!!!
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	Feeders...but only seen here in early May on their way north.
Indigo Bunting	Often seen on wires or hedgerows, along the roadside close to wooded areas
Red-winged Blackbird	Abundant around ponds with cattails. Also in fields

	Eastern Meadowlark	In open spaces with lots of grassy fields. On fence posts.
	Common Grackle	Bird feeders, lawns, edges of ponds, wetlands, woods
	Brown-headed Cowbird	Usually on the ground around bird feeders. Very black bird with brown head
	Baltimore Oriole	At feeders eating orange slices in early May. Shade trees, edges of woods, ponds.
	House Finch	Pretty much everywhere in open areas. Bird feeders
	American Goldfinch	Open fields, bird feeders
	House Sparrow	Everywhere around people... Often around homes, farms, downtown areas, stores.