

Birding Ecotours



USA - SOUTHEAST ARIZONA: THE DESERT AND SKY ISLANDS BIRDING TRIP REPORT

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*The brilliant green **Berylline Hummingbird** was one of thirteen hummingbirds recorded!*

Overview

This ten-day set departure tour of Southeast Arizona commenced in Tucson, Arizona on the 14th of August 2022 and concluded back in Tucson on the 23rd of August 2022. On this tour we visited numerous fantastic birding locations including Santa Rita Lodge, Mt. Lemmon, Sweetwater Wetlands, Montosa Canyon, Paton's Center for Hummingbirds, Ash Canyon B&B, Las Ciengas National Conservation Area, Rustler Park, the George Walker House and many more.

This tour connected with many fantastic target birds and regional specials, including 13 species of hummingbirds, giving us a quality list for our ten days in the desert. Avian highlights included **Greater Roadrunner**, **Montezuma Quail**, **Lucifer** and **Violet-crowned Hummingbirds**, **Black Tern**, **Northern Goshawk**, **Zone-tailed Hawk**, **Western Screech-Owl**, **Arizona Woodpecker**, **Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher**, **Rock Wren**, **Five-striped**, **Botteri's** and **Cassin's Sparrows**, **Red-faced Warbler** and **Pyrrhuloxia**. We were also able to see some rarities for Arizona including two **Berylline Hummingbirds**, **White-eared Hummingbird** and **Ruddy Ground-Dove**.

A total of 189 bird species were seen, with two additional heard only species bringing the total recorded to 191, which is a new record for this trip. In addition to the birds, some other animals were spotted including **Pronghorn**, **Black-tailed Prairie-Dog**, **Harris's Antelope Squirrel**, **Striped Skunk** and a **Desert Tarantula**. Full bird and mammal checklists can be found at the end of the report.



The Greater Roadrunner was a highlight species of the desert.

Detailed Report

Day 1, 14th August 2022. Arrival and Sweetwater Wetlands birding

The first morning of the trip was mainly spent gathering up some of the participants who were already in the area from the night before. We decided to head off and do some mid-morning birding at Sweetwater Wetlands. These lovely little oases near Tucson are a great introduction to desert birding and species and here we got our first taste of desert specials, including **Vermillion Flycatcher**, **Ladder-backed Woodpecker**, **Abert's Towhee** and **Verdin**. After a tasty lunch, we ventured to another local park called Lakeside Lake where we saw a lingering and probably injured **Snow Goose**. This was a strange bird for the desert, in extreme heat. In addition to the goose, there was **Lark Sparrow**, **Great-tailed Grackle** and **Gila Woodpecker**. We headed to the airport to gather the rest of our group before heading to a superb Mexican food dinner. Sadly, an incoming monsoon prevented any evening birding, so we headed to the hotel for rest instead.



Gila Woodpecker was a common species throughout our southeast Arizona trip.

Day 2, 15th August 2022. Mt. Lemmon and down to Green Valley

We had breakfast and coffee at the hotel before loading up our van and heading up Mt. Lemmon. Our first stop on the way up was the Babad Do'ag Vista where we were surrounded by Saguaro Forest. Here in the desert lowlands, we noted a few species including **Cactus Wren** and **Black-throated Sparrow** before we continued our journey upwards. Pulling off at the Windy Point Vista, we enjoyed some spectacular views before a **Zone-tailed Hawk** cruised right over our heads! Down below us in the rocks and shrubs, we managed to find **Rock Wren**, **Black-throated Grey Warbler** and **Mexican Jay**. More driving and higher altitude led us to Rose

Canyon Lake, an area full of conifers which were quite different from the cacti down at the bottom. Temperatures were pleasant and a lovely mixed flock kept us entertained with **Red-faced, Grace's** and **Hermit Warblers**, **Painted Redstart**, **Western Bluebird** and **Pygmy Nuthatch** all present and an **Olive Warbler** made a brief appearance. **Yellow-eyed Junco** and the striking **Acorn Woodpecker** were plentiful throughout the area as well.

We traveled to the small town of Summerhaven on top of the mountain and enjoyed some pizza for lunch. We noted **Steller's Jay**, **Broad-tailed Hummingbird**, **Black-headed Grosbeak** and **Pine Siskin** before making our way down the mountain and towards Green Valley.

Once we arrived in Green Valley, we headed straight for Santa Rita Lodge, a relaxing spot full of feeders, which always makes birding that bit easier. This was a great way to spend the remainder of the afternoon as we enjoyed **Broad-billed** and **Rivoli's Hummingbirds**, **Mexican Jay**, **Arizona Woodpecker**, **Bridled Titmouse** and **Lesser Goldfinch**. It was back to Green Valley and dinner at the hotel after a long day of successful birding.

Day 3, 16th August 2022. Montosa Canyon and the Santa Rita Mountains

This morning we grabbed some coffee nearby and headed off to Montosa Canyon. It was a beautiful morning with a pleasant temperature and we began birding along a small creek and ridge of the canyon.

Right away we were onto some interesting species including **Varied Bunting**, **Bell's Vireo**, **Loggerhead Kingbird** and **Northern Mockingbird**. We continued further along the road to a known location for our target species of the day. While we were searching, we managed to come across some other nice species such as **Hooded Oriole** and **Crissal Thrasher**. Finally, the **Five-striped Sparrow** began singing and flew down the slope to give us some incredible views, before moving back into the dense vegetation.

We headed back out of Montosa Canyon and got a nice breakfast at the hotel before spending the rest of the morning at Canoa Ranch Conservation Park and Desert Meadows Park in Green Valley. These lovely little parks held some great birds and despite the heat we picked up **Redhead**, **Spotted Sandpiper**, **Swainson's Hawk** and **Yellow-headed Blackbird**. The Desert Meadows are full of native plants and birds. After a quick loop through the park, we had a list containing **Bewick's Wren**, **Broad-billed Hummingbird**, **Curve-billed Thrasher** and **Gambel's Quail**.

After lunch we took a little siesta before meeting up again for some evening birding. We headed back up Madera Canyon to the Old Baldy Trail, however the bird activity was slow. A few **Mexican Jays**, a **Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher** and a family of **Acorn Woodpeckers** highlighted our time here. We headed down the mountain slightly for a picnic style dinner and enjoyed views of a **Hepatic Tanager** while we ate. As the sun was setting, we headed back up to try for some night birding, however a huge monsoon rolled in right as it was getting dark and we had to bail out. It wasn't raining at the bottom yet and we managed a new experience with some **Lesser Nighthawks** hunting the streetlights.

Day 4, 17th August 2022. Madera Canyon and Santa Gertrudis Lane

We headed back up Madera Canyon as we still had some unfinished business with a few key target species. We started off with a brief check-in at the Santa Rita Lodge feeders. Unfortunately the feeders were empty, but still hosted the usual suspects like **Rivoli's Hummingbird**, **Lesser Goldfinch** and **Mexican Jay**.

We quickly moved on to the Old Baldy trail to take another hike up along the river. Again, the birding was rather slow and our targets nowhere to be found in their usual area. However, we did manage to see **Painted Redstart**, **Acorn Woodpecker**, **Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher** and **Hutton's Vireo**.

We checked back in at the lodge which was now open and full of food. Action was certainly better than earlier in the morning with new species like **Wild Turkey**, **Hepatic Tanager** and **Black-chinned Hummingbird**. We waited for a while, staking out the feeders, while some of us visited the nice gift shop. After about 45 minutes, our target made a quick appearance, a brilliant **Berylline Hummingbird** and a true rarity for the United States.

We were feeling lucky and got a nice tip that the targets at the top of the mountain were hanging out further up than previous years, so we ventured back and hiked that trail for a third time. This time, we went even higher up and scored fantastic views of a male **Elegant Trogon** and a recently fledged juvenile! Our determination paid off.



The Madera Canyon area was a great place to find Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher.

We headed back to Green Valley for lunch and a siesta before meeting again for some evening birding. We headed south to Santa Gertrudis Lane. This little area was hopping with great bird activity (and mosquitoes). Despite the biting insects around us, we had a fantastic time here,

scoring species like **Grey Hawk**, **Black Phoebe**, **Tropical Kingbird**, **Lucy's Warbler**, **Summer** and **Western Tanagers**, **Indigo Bunting**, **Bullock's Oriole** and the regional special species **Thick-billed Kingbird**. It was a great way to close out an amazing day of birding.

Day 5, 18th August 2022. Through Patagonia and over to Sierra Vista

Leaving the Santa Rita Mountains behind, we headed off to the Huachuca Mountains. We went back to Canoa Ranch for our first stop, to give this location a shot in the morning before the temperatures began to soar. The birding was better and we observed **Great Blue Heron**, **Pyrrhuloxia**, **Cassin's Kingbird**, **Vermillion Flycatcher** and **American Kestrel**.

From here we continued on our way to Patagonia with a quick drive-through stop at Patagonia Lake. We noted **Black Vulture**, **Mexican Duck** and **Say's Phoebe**. Next up was the famous Patagonia roadside rest area. There was a small group of **White-throated Swifts** circling overhead to greet us as we disembarked from the van and headed across to the small trail. Along the trail we managed to find our target species, a nesting **Rose-throated Becard**. Unfortunately, we had to maintain distance as the female was frequently visiting the nest, her movements so fast that she made it near-impossible to catch a clear view. We gave it a while, hoping to catch a better glimpse, which a few of us managed, before we moved on and headed for lunch.



Violet-crowned Hummingbird was one of the stars.

After lunch we visited the peaceful Paton Center for Hummingbirds. There was lots of bird activity here with the star of the yard, the **Violet-crowned Hummingbird**, making frequent appearances. Amazingly a **Berylline Hummingbird** dropped into the feeders three times, making it the second one in a single trip for us!

A few of us also managed views of the rare **Ruddy Ground-Dove** which had been visiting the yard on and off. In addition to these rarer species, we also saw **Yellow-breasted Chat**, **Yellow-billed Cuckoo**, **Anna's Hummingbird**, **Inca Dove**, **Green Heron** and **Northern Cardinal**.

A quick cruise through the nearby neighborhood had us finding a **Mississippi Kite**. A pair were known to recently have a nest in this area, so it was great to catch up with one of these magnificent birds. We finally made it to the Huachuca Mountains and our first stop was the Ash Canyon B&B feeders. Possibly one of the most peaceful areas to bird, the yard was highlighted by **Lucifer**, **Costa's**, **Calliope** and **Rufous Hummingbirds**, **Ladder-backed Woodpecker** and **Black-headed Grosbeak**. Another quick drive through a neighborhood had us enjoying some **Scaled Quails** in addition to many **Gambel's Quails**. We finally settled down for a delicious Italian dinner after a top-notch day of birding.



*This cute **Western Screech-Owl** gave us a nice view from its cavity.*

Day 6, 19th August 2022. Carr and Miller Canyons

After breakfast we headed up the rocky and bumpy switchbacks which led into Carr Canyon. The cooler air at this higher altitude was perfect for birding as we wandered the campsites throughout the morning. We came across several mixed flocks which included **Cassin's** and **Plumbeous Vireos**, **Grace's**, **Black-throated Grey**, **Hermit** and **Red-faced Warblers**, **Brown Creeper**, **Northern Flicker** and **White-breasted Nuthatch**.

We circled around for a few hours before finally spotting the top target of this site, the **Buff-breasted Flycatcher**! This little bird finally cooperated and gave us all a nice view. On our way back down the canyon, we spotted several other new species including **Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay**, **Virginia's Warbler** and **Eastern Bluebird**.

After lunch and a much-needed siesta, we headed back out for a little more birding. Along the entrance road to Brown Canyon we managed to find an adorable **Western Screech-Owl** sticking out of a tree cavity, despite the light rain. We then headed off to the Beatty's Guest Ranch for a little feeder watch as we kept a careful eye on the sky and the storms looming nearby. **Rivoli's, Anna's, Black-chinned** and **Broad-billed Hummingbirds** highlighted the feeders here and we eventually called it a day as the rain began creeping in.

Day 7, 20th August 2022. Las Cienegas NCA and Whitewater Draw

The forecast for the day did not look promising so we routed the best we could to avoid storms and rain. Our first birding destination after breakfast was the grasslands of Las Cienegas National Conservation Area.

Right at the entrance we were greeted by singing **Chihuahuan Meadowlarks** (recently split from Eastern Meadowlark) and a **Horned Lark** perched along the wire fence. We drove through this massive area, scanning closer and listening for any activity, making stops whenever we spotted something. This area yielded some fantastic birds including **Cassin's, Botteri's** and **Grasshopper Sparrows, Blue Grosbeak, Grey Flycatcher, Northern Harrier** and **Lark Bunting** as well as a few sightings of **Pronghorn**.

Unfortunately, our progress was halted when we came across a stream rushing across the road. We had to turn around and go back to a different entrance to finish our birding and visit a colony of **Black-tailed Prairie Dogs**. Overall, it was a great morning and we managed to stay out of bad weather.

We headed towards the town of Tombstone for lunch and a little cowboy western scenery. After this we ventured out to Whitewater Draw, a body of water in the middle of desert habitat. We picked up tons of new species for the trip as we made a circle around the lake. Highlights included **Eared Grebe, Ruddy Duck, Sora, Wilson's Phalarope, Great Egret, Black** and **Forster's Terns, Black Phoebe, American Yellow Warbler** and **Lazuli Bunting**.

On our way out of the park we noticed a sign stating this was an owl roosting area and about 15 seconds later we were all enjoying views of a **Great Horned Owl** in the trees! Then a little further up we noticed a strange structure on a collapsed building, so we looked into the hole with our scope and there was the face of an **American Barn Owl** staring back at us. A five-minute whirlwind of unexpected owls. After this we headed back to Sierra Vista for dinner and to celebrate the day's birding, where we managed to avoid the monsoons.

Day 8, 21st August 2022. Stateline Road and the Chiricahua Mountains

We set off before sunrise, as we had some distance to travel and wanted to be birding in the desert before it got too hot. After a quick stop in Douglass for restrooms, we made it to Stateline Road where an unkindness of **Chihuahuan Ravens** were waiting for us, allowing us time to better study and properly ID them. We continued along this road, with New Mexico on our right and Arizona on our left. We logged species such as **Cactus Wren, Lark Sparrow, Lark Bunting, Loggerhead Shrike** and **Blue Grosbeak** for our New Mexico list.

We then left the desert behind and headed into Portal and the Chiricahua Mountains. First up were some feeders in town where we picked up our first **Blue-throated Mountain Gem** as well

as **Canyon Towhee**, **Ladder-backed Woodpecker** and a covey of **Gambel's Quails**. It had been raining overnight and into the morning so we decided to go to Paradise first and let the river crossings up the mountain reduce a little. Paradise was home of George Walker House, another fantastic feeder setup. We were greeted by the pleasant host and owner, who gave us a full breakdown of the yard whilst we watched the feeders. It wasn't long before the rare **White-eared Hummingbird** made a visit at a far feeder. This yard was also the best location in southern Arizona for **Juniper Titmouse** and it did not disappoint, as two birds made multiple visits to the feeders.

It was time to head up the mountain towards Rustler Park at the top. As we got higher, we got into a nice flock of birds along the road, so we hopped out. It turned out to be one of the best flocks of the whole trip! It was loaded with birds including **Townsend's**, **Grace's**, **Hermit** and **Red-faced Warblers**, **Brown Creeper**, **Bridled Titmouse** and the true regional special **Mexican Chickadee**. Not much further up the road we spotted a lone **Band-tailed Pigeon** perched in the distance. It would take a few more encounters before we all managed a view, but we did in the end.

After a nice picnic, we did some birding at the Pinery Campground and Rustler Park. Nothing new was seen but we did see another **Mexican Chickadee** as well as **Hermit Warbler**, **Spotted Towhee** and **Painted Redstart**. It was raining off and on throughout our time up the mountain, but overall things were pleasant and ok for birding. On our way down we had perhaps the best sighting of the trip, a **Montezuma Quail** in the middle of the road! We watched as it slowly crossed and walked into the grass next to the road allowing us all to see. Incredible! After dinner a few of us went out for some night-time exploring where we managed to score a curious **Striped Skunk** in the road, but the birds were being quiet.

Day 9, 22nd August 2022. Wilcox and back to Tucson

We headed back out to the desert along Stateline Road to look for new species. We came across our first **Scott's Oriole** of the trip as well some other nice species like **Bullock's Oriole**, **Curve-billed Thrasher**, **Cassin's Sparrow** and **Swainson's Hawk**. We then headed back to Portal and the feeders there.

The skies were clear and we had a few new sightings, like a **Harris's Antelope Squirrel**. The real highlight had to be a juvenile **Bronzed Cowbird** following its 'mom' – a female **Hooded Oriole** – around as it was begging for food. After watching these birds eat, it was our turn for a delicious brunch. We loaded the van up and took off on our long trip back to Tucson. We stopped at the Pinery Campground again on our way out of the mountains and found a distant **Great Horned Owl** as well as our first **House Wren** of the trip.



*This juvenile **Bronzed Cowbird** was following its 'mom' **Hooded Oriole** around.*

Continuing onwards, we made another stop at Lake Cochise in Wilcox. This location was loaded with waterbird species. We ticked off many species including **Cinnamon** and **Green-winged Teals**, **American Avocet**, **Black-necked Stilt**, **Least** and **Western Sandpipers**, **Long-billed Dowitcher**, **Red-necked Phalarope** and **White-faced Ibis**.

After another hour or so of driving, we made it into the outskirts of Tucson where we stopped for dinner. Since most evenings had been a rain-out so far, we decided to have another try and headed off to Saguaro National Park East. Desert birding here was enjoyable and highlighted by **Rufous-winged Sparrow** and **Gilded Flicker**. Scenery to match and a breath-taking desert sunset and rainbow helped us see the day out. As the sun set, we spotted a huge **Desert Tarantula** crossing the road. We headed off to our hotel for our final night of the tour.

Day 10, 23rd August 2022. Local Tucson birding and departure

After saying goodbyes, most of the participants were dropped off at the Tucson airport for their morning flights home. Two participants, however, did not have to leave until the afternoon, so we decided to do a little local birding at Reid Park. Before leaving the hotel, we were greeted by a friendly **Greater Roadrunner** next to the van and a **Vermillion Flycatcher** on the nearby fence.

Reid Park hosted a tiny pond which held mostly domestic farm ducks, however, there were a few interesting species including two new ones for the trip, **American Wigeon** and **Neotropic Cormorant**. This was a great way to finish off a very successful tour of Southeast Arizona! All the participants were asked to list their top five favorite species of the trip and the winners were **Montezuma Quail**, **Elegant Trogon**, **Violet-crowned Hummingbird**, **Acorn Woodpecker** and **Red-faced Warbler**.



Observing a *Gambel's Quail* placed a smile on everyone's face.

Bird List - Following IOC (12.2)

Birds 'heard only' are marked with (H) after the common name, all other species were seen. Species seen only on the pre-trip day of this trip are marked with (+) after the common name.

The following notation after species names is used to show conservation status following BirdLife International: CE = Critically Endangered, EN = Endangered, VU = Vulnerable, NT = Near Threatened.

Common Name	Scientific Name
New World Quail (Odontophoridae)	
Scaled Quail	<i>Callipepla squamata</i>
Gambel's Quail	<i>Callipepla gambelii</i>
Montezuma Quail	<i>Cyrtonyx montezumae</i>
Pheasants & Allies (Phasianidae)	
Wild Turkey	<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>
Ducks, Geese, Swans (Anatidae)	
Snow Goose	<i>Anser caerulescens</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Blue-winged Teal	<i>Spatula discors</i>
Cinnamon Teal	<i>Spatula cyanoptera</i>
Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>
American Wigeon	<i>Mareca americana</i>
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
Mexican Duck	<i>Anas diazi</i>
Green-winged Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>
Redhead	<i>Aythya americana</i>
Ruddy Duck	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>
Nightjars (Caprimulgidae)	
Lesser Nighthawk	<i>Chordeiles acutipennis</i>
Swifts (Apodidae)	
White-throated Swift	<i>Aeronautes saxatalis</i>
Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)	
Rivoli's Hummingbird	<i>Eugenes fulgens</i>
Blue-throated Mountaingem	<i>Lampornis clemenciae</i>
Lucifer Hummingbird	<i>Calothorax lucifer</i>
Black-chinned Hummingbird	<i>Archilochus alexandri</i>
Anna's Hummingbird	<i>Calypte anna</i>
Costa's Hummingbird	<i>Calypte costae</i>
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	<i>Selasphorus platycercus</i>
Rufous Hummingbird	<i>Selasphorus rufus</i>
Calliope Hummingbird	<i>Selasphorus calliope</i>
Broad-billed Hummingbird	<i>Cynanthus latirostris</i>
Violet-crowned Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia violiceps</i>
White-eared Hummingbird	<i>Hylocharis leucotis</i>
Berylline Hummingbird	<i>Amazilia beryllina</i>
Cuckoos (Cuculidae)	
Greater Roadrunner	<i>Geococcyx californianus</i>
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>
Pigeons, Doves (Columbidae)	
Rock Dove (Pigeon)	<i>Columba livia</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Band-tailed Pigeon	<i>Patagioenas fasciata</i>
Eurasian Collared-Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>
Inca Dove	<i>Columbina inca</i>
Common Ground Dove	<i>Columbina passerina</i>
Ruddy Ground Dove	<i>Columbina talpacoti</i>
White-winged Dove	<i>Zenaida asiatica</i>
Mourning Dove	<i>Zenaida macroura</i>
Rails, Crakes & Coots (Rallidae)	
Sora (H)	<i>Porzana carolina</i>
Common Gallinule	<i>Gallinula galeata</i>
American Coot	<i>Fulica americana</i>
Grebes (Podicipedidae)	
Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>
Eared Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>
Stilts and Avocets (Recurvirostridae)	
Black-necked Stilt	<i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>
American Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra americana</i>
Plovers (Charadriidae)	
Killdeer	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>
Sandpipers, Snipes (Scolopacidae)	
Least Sandpiper	<i>Calidris minutilla</i>
Western Sandpiper	<i>Calidris mauri</i>
Long-billed Dowitcher	<i>Limnodromus scolopaceus</i>
Wilson's Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus tricolor</i>
Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>
Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularius</i>
Greater Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>
Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>
Gulls, Terns, Skimmers (Laridae)	
Forster's Tern	<i>Sterna forsteri</i>
Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Cormorants, Shags (Phalacrocoracidae)	
Neotropic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>
Ibises, Spoonbills (Threskiornithidae)	
White-faced Ibis	<i>Plegadis chihi</i>
Hérons, Bitterns (Ardeidae)	
Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>
Green Heron	<i>Butorides virescens</i>
New World Vultures (Cathartidae)	
Black Vulture	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>
Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>
Kites, Hawks, Eagles (Accipitridae)	
Mississippi Kite	<i>Ictinia mississippiensis</i>
Northern Harrier	<i>Circus hudsonius</i>
Cooper's Hawk	<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>
Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>
Grey Hawk	<i>Buteo plagiatus</i>
Swainson's Hawk	<i>Buteo swainsoni</i>
Zone-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo albonotatus</i>
Red-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>
Barn Owls (Tytonidae)	
American Barn Owl	<i>Tyto furcata</i>
Owls (Strigidae)	
Western Screech-Owl	<i>Megascops kennicottii</i>
Great Horned Owl	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>
Trogon (Trogonidae)	
Elegant Trogon	<i>Trogon elegans</i>
Woodpeckers (Picidae)	

Common Name	Scientific Name
Acorn Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes formicivorus</i>
Gila Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes uropygialis</i>
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates scalaris</i>
Hairy Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates villosus</i>
Arizona Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates arizonae</i>
Northern Flicker	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>
Gilded Flicker	<i>Colaptes chrysoides</i>
Caracaras, Falcons (Falconidae)	
American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>
Tyrant Flycatchers, Calyptura (Tyrannidae)	
Greater Pewee	<i>Contopus pertinax</i>
Western Wood-Pewee	<i>Contopus sordidulus</i>
Cordilleran Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax occidentalis</i>
Buff-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax fulvifrons</i>
Grey Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax wrightii</i>
Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>
Say's Phoebe	<i>Sayornis saya</i>
Vermilion Flycatcher	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>
Brown-crested Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus tyrannulus</i>
Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher	<i>Myiodynastes luteiventris</i>
Tropical Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>
Cassin's Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus vociferans</i>
Thick-billed Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus crassirostris</i>
Western Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus verticalis</i>
Tityras and Allies (Tityridae)	
Rose-throated Becard	<i>Pachyramphus aglaiae</i>
Shrikes (Laniidae)	
Loggerhead Shrike	<i>Lanius ludovicianus</i>
Vireos, Greenlets, Shrike-babblers (Vireonidae)	
Bell's Vireo	<i>Vireo bellii</i>
Hutton's Vireo	<i>Vireo huttoni</i>
Cassin's Vireo	<i>Vireo cassinii</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Plumbeous Vireo	<i>Vireo plumbeus</i>
Warbling Vireo	<i>Vireo gilvus</i>
Crows, Jays (Corvidae)	
Steller's Jay	<i>Cyanocitta stelleri</i>
Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay	<i>Aphelocoma woodhouseii</i>
Mexican Jay	<i>Aphelocoma wollweberi</i>
Chihuahuan Raven	<i>Corvus cryptoleucus</i>
Northern (Common) Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>
Silky-flycatchers (Ptilionotidae)	
Phainopepla	<i>Phainopepla nitens</i>
Tits, Chickadees (Paridae)	
Mountain Chickadee	<i>Poecile gambeli</i>
Mexican Chickadee	<i>Poecile sclateri</i>
Bridled Titmouse	<i>Baeolophus wollweberi</i>
Juniper Titmouse	<i>Baeolophus ridgwayi</i>
Penduline-Tits (Remizidae)	
Verdin	<i>Auriparus flaviceps</i>
Larks (Alaudidae)	
Horned Lark	<i>Eremophila alpestris</i>
Swallows, Martins (Hirundinidae)	
Purple Martin	<i>Progne subis</i>
Tree Swallow	<i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>
Violet-green Swallow	<i>Tachycineta thalassina</i>
Bank Swallow	<i>Riparia riparia</i>
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
Cliff Swallow	<i>Petrochelidon pyrrhonota</i>
Bushtits (Aegithalidae)	
Bushtit	<i>Psaltriparus minimus</i>
Wrens (Troglodytidae)	

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Rock Wren	<i>Salpinctes obsoletus</i>
Canyon Wren (H)	<i>Catherpes mexicanus</i>
House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>
Bewick's Wren	<i>Thryomanes bewickii</i>
Cactus Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus brunneicapillus</i>
Nuthatches (Sittidae)	
White-breasted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>
Pygmy Nuthatch	<i>Sitta pygmaea</i>
Treecreepers (Certhiidae)	
Brown Creeper	<i>Certhia americana</i>
Mockingbirds, Thrashers (Mimidae)	
Curve-billed Thrasher	<i>Toxostoma curvirostre</i>
Crissal Thrasher	<i>Toxostoma crissale</i>
Northern Mockingbird	<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>
Starlings, Rhabdornis (Sturnidae)	
Common (European) Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
Thrushes (Turdidae)	
Eastern Bluebird	<i>Sialia sialis</i>
Western Bluebird	<i>Sialia mexicana</i>
Hermit Thrush	<i>Catharus guttatus</i>
American Robin	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>
Old World Sparrows, Snowfinches (Passeridae)	
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
Olive Warbler (Peucedramidae)	
Olive Warbler	<i>Peucedramus taeniatus</i>
Finches, Euphonias (Fringillidae)	
House Finch	<i>Haemorhous mexicanus</i>
Pine Siskin	<i>Spinus pinus</i>
Lesser Goldfinch	<i>Spinus psaltria</i>

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New World Sparrows (Passerellidae)	
Rufous-winged Sparrow	<i>Peucaea carpalis</i>
Botteri's Sparrow	<i>Peucaea botterii</i>
Cassin's Sparrow	<i>Peucaea cassinii</i>
Grasshopper Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus savannarum</i>
Chipping Sparrow	<i>Spizella passerina</i>
Black-throated Sparrow	<i>Amphispiza bilineata</i>
Five-striped Sparrow	<i>Amphispiza quinquestriata</i>
Lark Sparrow	<i>Chondestes grammacus</i>
Lark Bunting	<i>Calamospiza melanocorys</i>
Yellow-eyed Junco	<i>Junco phaeonotus</i>
Song Sparrow	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>
Canyon Towhee	<i>Melospiza fusca</i>
Abert's Towhee	<i>Melospiza aberti</i>
Spotted Towhee	<i>Pipilo maculatus</i>
Yellow-breasted Chat (Icteriidae)	
Yellow-breasted Chat	<i>Icteria virens</i>
Oropendolas, Orioles, Blackbirds (Icteridae)	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	<i>Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus</i>
Chihuahuan Meadowlark	<i>Sturnella lilianae</i>
Hooded Oriole	<i>Icterus cucullatus</i>
Bullock's Oriole	<i>Icterus bullockii</i>
Scott's Oriole	<i>Icterus parisorum</i>
Red-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>
Bronzed Cowbird	<i>Molothrus aeneus</i>
Brown-headed Cowbird	<i>Molothrus ater</i>
Great-tailed Grackle	<i>Quiscalus mexicanus</i>
New World Warblers (Parulidae)	
Orange-crowned Warbler	<i>Oreothlypis celata</i>
Lucy's Warbler	<i>Oreothlypis luciae</i>
Virginia's Warbler	<i>Oreothlypis virginiae</i>
Common Yellowthroat	<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>
American Yellow Warbler	<i>Setophaga petechia</i>

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Grace's Warbler	<i>Setophaga graciae</i>
Black-throated Gray Warbler	<i>Setophaga nigrescens</i>
Townsend's Warbler	<i>Setophaga townsendi</i>
Hermit Warbler	<i>Setophaga occidentalis</i>
Red-faced Warbler	<i>Cardellina rubrifrons</i>
Wilson's Warbler	<i>Cardellina pusilla</i>
Painted Redstart	<i>Myioborus pictus</i>
Cardinals & Allies (Cardinalidae)	
Hepatic Tanager	<i>Piranga flava</i>
Summer Tanager	<i>Piranga rubra</i>
Western Tanager	<i>Piranga ludoviciana</i>
Northern Cardinal	<i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i>
Pyrrhuloxia	<i>Cardinalis sinuatus</i>
Black-headed Grosbeak	<i>Pheucticus melanocephalus</i>
Blue Grosbeak	<i>Passerina caerulea</i>
Lazuli Bunting	<i>Passerina amoena</i>
Indigo Bunting	<i>Passerina cyanea</i>
Varied Bunting	<i>Passerina versicolor</i>
Total Seen	189
Total Heard	2
Total Recorded	191

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Common Name	Scientific Name
Squirrels and Relatives (Sciuridae)	
Harris's Antelope Squirrel	<i>Ammospermophilus harrisi</i>
Black-tailed Prairie Dog	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>
Rock Squirrel	<i>Otospermophilus variegatus</i>
Arizona Grey Squirrel	<i>Sciurus arizonensis</i>
Round-tailed Ground Squirrel	<i>Xerospermophilus tereticaudus</i>
Cliff Chipmunk	<i>Neotamias dorsalis</i>
Rabbits and Hares (Leporidae)	
Black-tailed Jackrabbit	<i>Lepus californicus</i>

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Desert Cottontail	<i>Sylvilagus audubonii</i>
Canids (Canidae)	
Coyote	<i>Canis latrans</i>
Skunks (Mephitidae)	
Striped Skunk	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>
Raccoons and Relatives (Procyonidae)	
White-nosed Coati	<i>Nasua narica</i>
Deer, Elk, Mooses (Cervidae)	
White-tailed Deer	<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>
Pronghorn (Antilocapridae)	
Pronghorn	<i>Antilocapra americana</i>
Total Recorded	13