

This list of the approximately 100 most common birds of Fort Bowie National Historic Site is based on previous documentation of abundance (A) and separated into three categories. Abundant (A) birds are likely to be seen daily and in large numbers, while common (C) birds may be seen daily as a solitary bird or in smaller groups. Uncommon (U) birds are more rare, and likely to be seen on a monthly basis.

Habitats (H) are separated into four categories. Riparian (R) birds can be found in or along water bodies that include riparian vegetation, such as Arizona walnut. Desert (D) habitats include shrubs, such as creosote and mesquite, while Grassland (G) species include shrubs heavily intermixed with desert grasses. Woodland/Chaparral (WC) areas include short trees, such as oaks and manzanita.

The varied habitats of southern Arizona provide a vital environment for birds across the seasons (S). Birds that do not migrate are considered Year-round (Y) residents and can be seen at any time of year. Summer (S) residents are at the park roughly during June–August, while Winter (W) residents occur during colder times of year. Migratory (M) birds may be seen at various times as they briefly pass through the park on their way to other habitats.

Key	
Abundance (A)	A—Abundant
	C—Common
	U—Uncommon
Habitat (H)	R—Riparian
	D—Desert
	G—Grassland
	WC—Woodlands/Chaparral
Season (S)	Y—Year-round
	S—Summer
	W—Winter
	M—Migratory

Photos clockwise from top left: cactus wren, black-chinned hummingbird, western tanager, red-tailed hawk, greater roadrunner. All photos ©Robert Shantz except cactus wren, ©Greg Lavaty.

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√	Common Name	A	H	S
<b>QUAIL</b>				
	scaled quail	U	D,G	Y
	Gambel's quail	C	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>VULTURE</b>				
	turkey vulture	C	R,D,G,WC	S
<b>HAWKS</b>				
	northern harrier	U	D,G,WC	W
	Cooper's hawk	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
	Swainson's hawk	U	D,G	S
	zone-tailed hawk	U	R,D,G,WC	S
	red-tailed hawk	C	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>PIGEONS AND DOVES</b>				
	white-winged dove	C	R,D,G,WC	S
	mourning dove	C	R,D,G,WC	Y
	common ground-dove	U	R,D,G	S
<b>CUCKOOS AND ROADRUNNERS</b>				
	greater roadrunner	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>OWLS</b>				
	western screech-owl	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>GOATSUCKERS</b>				
	common poorwill	C	D,G,WC	S
<b>SWIFTS</b>				
	white-throated swift	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>HUMMINGBIRDS</b>				
	black-chinned hummingbird	C	R,D,G,WC	S
	Anna's hummingbird	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
	broad-tailed hummingbird	C	R,D,G,WC	M
	broad-billed hummingbird	U	R,D	S
<b>WOODPECKERS</b>				
	acorn woodpecker	U	R,G,WC	Y
	ladder-backed woodpecker	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>FALCONS</b>				
	American kestrel	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>TYRANT FLYCATCHERS</b>				
	western wood-pewee	U	R,G,WC	M
	gray flycatcher	U	R,D,G,WC	M

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	Pacific-slope flycatcher	U	R,WC	M
	Say's phoebe	U	D,G	Y
	ash-throated flycatcher	C	R,D,G,WC	S
	Cassin's kingbird	C	R,D,G,WC	S
	western kingbird	C	R,D,G,WC	S
<b>VIREOS</b>				
	Bell's vireo	U	R,D,G	S
	gray vireo	U	R,G,WC	S
	warbling vireo	U	R,G,WC	M
<b>CORVIDS</b>				
	western scrub-jay	U	D,G,WC	Y
	Chihuahuan raven	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
	common raven	C	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>SWALLOWS</b>				
	violet-green swallow	U	R,D,G,WC	M
	barn swallow	U	R,D,G,WC	M
<b>TITMICE</b>				
	bridled titmouse	U	R,G,WC	Y
<b>VERDINS AND BUSHTITS</b>				
	verdin	U	R,D,G	Y
	bushtit	U	R,G,WC	Y
<b>WRENS</b>				
	rock wren	U	D,G,WC	Y
	canyon wren	U	DWC	Y
	house wren	U	R,G,WC	W
	Bewick's wren	C	R,D,G,WC	Y
	cactus wren	C	D,G	Y
<b>KINGLETS AND GNATCATCHERS</b>				
	blue-gray gnatcatcher	U	D,G,WC	S
	ruby-crowned kinglet	C	R,D,G,WC	M
<b>THRUSHES</b>				
	hermit thrush	U	R,G,WC	W
<b>MIMIDS AND THRASHERS</b>				
	northern mockingbird	C	R,D,G,WC	Y
	curve-billed thrasher	C	D,G	Y
	crissal thrasher	U	R,D	Y

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<b>SILKY FLYCATCHERS</b>				
	phainopepla	U	R,D,G,WC	Y
<b>WARBLERS</b>				
	orange-crowned warbler	U	R,D,G,WC	M
	Lucy's warbler	C	R,D,G,WC	S
	Nashville warbler	U	R,D,G,WC	M
	yellow-rumped warbler	A	R,G	W
	Audubon's warbler	C	R,G,WC	M
	black-throated gray warbler	U	R,D,G,WC	M
	Townsend's warbler	U	R,G,WC	M
	Wilson's warbler	U	R,D,G,WC	M
<b>EMBERIZINES</b>				
	green-tailed towhee	U	R,D,G,WC	W
	spotted towhee	U	R,G,WC	W
	rufous-crowned sparrow	U	D,G,WC	Y
	canyon towhee	C	R,D,G,WC	Y
	chipping sparrow	C	R,D,G,WC	W
	Brewer's sparrow	A	R,D,G,WC	W
	black-throated sparrow	U	D,G	Y
	lark bunting	U	D,G	W
	white-crowned sparrow	A	R,D,G,WC	W
	dark-eyed junco	C	R,G,WC	W

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<b>TANAGERS</b>				
	summer tanager	U	R	S
	western tanager	C	R,D,G,WC	M
<b>CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUNTINGS</b>				
	northern cardinal	U	R,D,G	Y
	black-headed grosbeak	C	R,D,G,WC	M
	blue grosbeak	C	R,D,G	S
<b>ICTERIDS</b>				
	bronzed cowbird	U	R,D,G,WC	S
	brown-headed cowbird	U	R,D,G,WC	S
	Scott's oriole	C	D,G,WC	S
<b>FINCHES</b>				
	house finch	C	R,D,G,WC	Y
	lesser goldfinch	C	R,D,G,WC	Y

The information in this list is based on bird observations, inventories, and surveys at Fort Bowie National Historic Site. However, bird lists are always works in progress. The list is arranged by family, with common names following the American Ornithologists' Union's Check-list of North American Birds, 7th edition, and its supplements to 2013.



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