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Bird Checklist for the Santa Catalina Ranger District

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Introduction

The Santa Catalina Ranger District of the Coronado National Forest includes much of the Santa Catalina and Rincon Mountains near Tucson, Arizona. Known as "sky islands," these mountains rise from an elevation of 2,500 feet to over 9,000 feet, creating a remarkable diversity of vegetation communities—from saguaro cactus forest and desert grasslands in the lower portions, upward into oak woodlands, ponderosa pine, and mixed-conifer forests. Located at the convergence of the Rocky Mountains and the Sonoran and Chihuahuan Deserts, the Santa Catalina Ranger District provides one of the most diverse bird habitats in North America. Mexican birds, such as the Sulfured-belly flycatcher, reach their northernmost limits here.

Using the Checklist

Habitat Key:

- SD = Sonoran desert and grassland
- F = Forests (oak, ponderosa pine, mixed conifer)
- RI = Riparian (lowland and upper)

Residency Key:

- P = Permanent Resident
- S = Summer Resident
- W = Winter Resident
- T = Fall or Spring Transient

Abundancy Key:

- A = Abundant
- C = Common
- U = Uncommon
- R = Rare
- X = Accidental (seen fewer than five times in the last 20 years)

Species		SD	F	RI
	Pied-billed Grebe			RW
	Double-crested Cormorant			XT
	Great Blue Heron			RP
	Green-backed Heron			RW
	Snowy Egret			XW
	Wood Duck			XW
	Green-winged Teal			UT
	Mallard			CW
	Blue-winged Teal			XW
	American Wigeon			XW
	Lesser Scaup			RW
	Bufflehead			XW
	Ruddy Duck			XW
	Ring-necked Duck			XW
	Redhead			XW
	Northern Shoveler			XW
	Black Vulture	RW		
	Turkey Vulture	CS	CS	CS
	Osprey	XT		XT
	Northern Harrier	T		T
	Sharp-shinned Hawk	UW	US	UW
	Cooper's Hawk	UW	UP	UP
	Northern Goshawk		UP	UW
	Common Black Hawk	RT	RT	RS
	Harris' Hawk	UP		
	Swainson's Hawk	RT		
	Zone-tailed Hawk	UT	CS	UT
	Red-tailed Hawk	CP	CP	CP
	Ferruginous Hawk	RW		
	Golden Eagle	UP	UP	UP
	Bald Eagle	RT		
	American Kestrel	UP	RT	UP
	Merlin	RT		
	Peregrine Falcon	RW	US	
	Prairie Falcon	UP	UP	
	Merriam's Turkey		RP	RP
	Montezuma Quail	RP	RP	
	Gambel's Quail	AP		AP
	Virginia Rail			XT
	Sora			XT

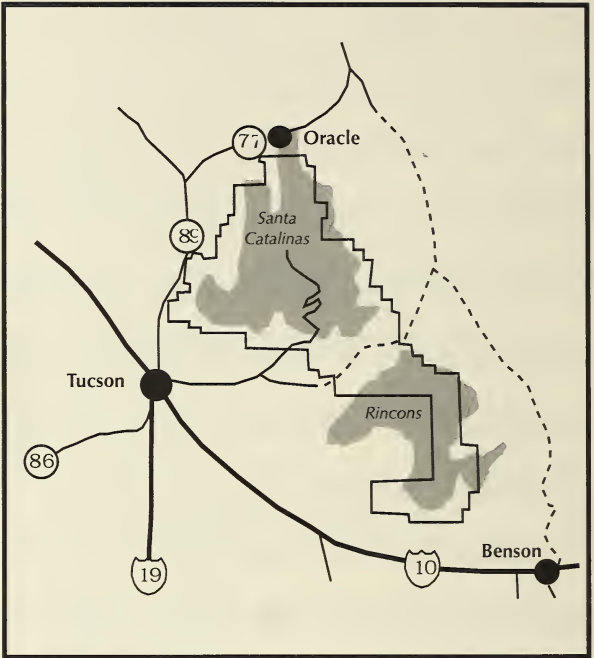
Species		SD	F	RI
	Purple Gallinule			X
	Common Moorhen			XW
	American Coot			UT
	Killdeer			UW
	Solitary Sandpiper			RT
	Greater/Lesser Yellowlegs			RT
	Spotted Sandpiper			RT
	Least Sandpiper			RT
	Western Sandpiper			RT
	Long-billed Dowitcher			RT
	Common Snipe			UW
	Rock Dove	RT		UT
	Band-tailed Pigeon	RT	CS	CS
	White-winged Dove	AS	RT	AS
	Mourning Dove	AP	CS	AP
	Inca Dove	UP		
	Common Ground Dove	RP		
	Yellow-billed Cuckoo			RT
	Greater Roadrunner	CP		CP
	Groove-billed Ani			XT
	Barn Owl	RP		RP
	Western Screech Owl	CP		CP
	Whiskered Screech Owl		UP	
	Great Horned Owl	UP	UP	CP
	Northern Pygmy Owl		UP	
	Ferruginous Pygmy Owl	XP		XP
	Elf Owl	CS		CS
	Spotted Owl	XT	RP	RP
	Northern Saw-whet Owl	RW	RS	
	Lesser Nighthawk	US		US
	Common Nighthawk	RT	RT	RT
	Common Poorwill	CS	CS	CS
	Buff-colored Nightjar	XS		XS
	Whip-poor-will		CS	CS
	Vaux's Swift	RT	RT	RT
	White-throated Swift	CS	CS	CS
	Broad-billed Hummingbird	UP		UP
	Blue-throated Hummingbird	RT	US	US
	Magnificent Hummingbird	RT	CS	CS
	Plain-capped Starthroat	XS		XS

Species		SD	F	RI
	Black-chinned Hummingbird	CS		CS
	Anna's Hummingbird	UP		UP
	Costa's Hummingbird	CP		CP
	Broad-tailed Hummingbird	UT	AS	UT
	Rufous Hummingbird	CT	CT	CT
	Elegant Trogon			XS
	Belted Kingfisher			RT
	Lewis' Woodpecker	RW		RW
	Acorn Woodpecker		AP	CP
	Gila Woodpecker	AP		AP
	Red-naped Sapsucker	UT	UT	UT
	Williamson's Sapsucker		RT	RT
	Ladder-backed Woodpecker	CP		CP
	Hairy Woodpecker		CP	CP
	Strickland's Woodpecker		UP	UP
	Northern Flicker	CP	CP	CP
	N. Beardless Tyrannulet			US
	Olive-sided Flycatcher	RT	UT	RT
	Greater Pewee		CS	CS
	Western Wood-Pewee	UT	CS	CS
	Willow Flycatcher			UT
	Hammond's Flycatcher	UT	UT	UT
	Dusky Flycatcher	UT	UT	UT
	Gray Flycatcher	UT	UT	UT
	Pacific Slope Flycatcher	UT		UT
	Cordilleran Flycatcher		US	US
	Buff-breasted Flycatcher		RS	
	Black Phoebe		CP	
	Say's Phoebe	UP	CP	
	Vermilion Flycatcher		UP	
	Dusky-capped Flycatcher	RS		
	Ash-throated Flycatcher	US	CS	
	Brown-crested Flycatcher		CS	
	Sulfur-bellied Flycatcher		RS	
	Cassin's Kingbird	US	CS	
	Western Kingbird		US	
	Horned Lark	RP		
	Purple Martin	US	US	
	Tree Swallow	RT		
	Violet-green Swallow	CS	UT	

	Species	SD	F	RI
	N. Rough-winged Swallow		US	
	Cliff Swallow		US	
	Barn Swallow		RT	
	Stellar's Jay	CP	CP	
	Scrub Jay	UP	UP	
	Gray-breasted Jay	AP	CP	
	Chihuahuan Raven	UP		
	Common Raven	CP		
	Mountain Chickadee	CP	UP	
	Bridled Titmouse	CP	CP	
	Plain Titmouse	UP		
	Verdin	AP		
	Bushtit	UP	UP	
	Red-breasted Nuthatch	UP	UP	
	White-breasted Nuthatch	CP	CP	
	Pygmy Nuthatch	CP	UP	
	Brown Creeper	UP	UP	
	Cactus Wren		CP	
	Rock Wren	CP	CP	
	Canyon Wren	CP	CP	
	Bewick's Wren	CP	CP	
	House Wren	UP	CP	UP
	Winter Wren		RW	RW
	Marsh Wren			RW
	Golden-crowned Kinglet		UP	UP
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	CW	CP	CP
	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	CW	CP	CP
	Black-capped Gnatcatcher		XS	
	Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	CP		CP
	Eastern Bluebird	UW		
	Western Bluebird	CW	CP	
	Mountain Bluebird	UW		
	Townsend's Solitaire	RT	UW	
	Hermit Thrush	UW	AP	CP
	Varied Thrush		XT	
	American Robin	UT	CP	CP
	Loggerhead Shrike	UP		
	Gray Catbird			XW
	Northern Mockingbird	CP		
	Sage Thrasher	RW		

Species		SD	F	RI
	Curve-billed Thrasher	AP		
	Bendire's Thrasher	UP		
	Crissal Thrasher	UP	UP	
	American Pipit			RS
	American Dipper			RT
	Cedar Waxwing	RT	UW	UW
	Phainopepla	AP	CP	CP
	European Starling	RP		
	Bell's Vireo			AS
	Gray Vireo	RT	RS	
	Solitary Vireo	CT	CS	
	Hutton's Vireo		CP	CP
	Warbling Vireo	UT	US	US
	Tennessee Warbler		XT	
	Orange-crowned Warbler	CT	US	CT
	Nashville Warbler	CT	UT	
	Virginia's Warbler	UT	CS	
	Lucy's Warbler	CS		CS
	Yellow Warbler	CT		CS
	Chestnut-sided Warbler			XT
	Yellow-rumped Warbler	CW	CS	CW
	Black-throated Gray Warbler	UT	CS	
	Townsend's Warbler	UT	UT	UT
	Hermit Warbler	RT	CT	UT
	Black-throated Green Warbler	RT		RT
	Grace's Warbler		CS	
	MacGillivray's Warbler	UT	UT	UT
	Wilson's Warbler	CT	CT	CT
	Common Yellowthroat			UT
	Yellow-breasted Chat			UT
	American Redstart			RT
	Painted Redstart		CS	CS
	Red-faced Warbler		US	
	Olive Warbler		CS	
	Hepatic Tanager		US	US
	Summer Tanager	RS		RS
	Western Tanager	CT	CS	CS
	Northern Cardinal	CP		CP
	Pyrrhuloxia	CP		CP
	Rose-breasted Grosbeak		RT	RT

Species		SD	F	RI
	Black-headed Grosbeak	CT	CS	CS
	Lazuli Bunting	CT	CT	CT
	Varied Bunting	RS		RS
	Painted Bunting			RS
	Yellow Grosbeak			XS
	Blue Grosbeak			US
	Indigo Bunting			RT
	Purple Finch			RT
	Cassin's Finch			RT
	House Finch	AP		AP
	Red Crossbill		U	
	Pine Siskin	UW	US	US
	American Goldfinch	RT		
	Lesser Goldfinch	CP	RT	CP
	Lawrence's Goldfinch			RW
	Green-tailed Towhee	UW		
	Rufous-sided Towhee	RW	CP	
	Canyon Towhee	AP	CP	AP
	Abert's Towhee	RP		RP
	Grasshopper Sparrow	RW		
	Rufous-winged Sparrow	UP		
	Rufous-crowned Sparrow	UP	UP	
	Chipping Sparrow	CW		CW
	Clay-colored Sparrow			RW
	Brewer's Sparrow	CW		CW
	Black-chinned Sparrow	UP	UW	UW
	Vesper Sparrow	CW		UW
	Lark Sparrow	UT		UT
	Black-throated Sparrow	AP		
	Lark Bunting	UW		
	Savannah Sparrow	UW		
	Fox Sparrow	RW		
	Song Sparrow	UW		
	Lincoln's Sparrow	UW		
	Swamp Sparrow			RW
	White-throated Sparrow	RW		
	Golden-crowned Sparrow	RW		
	White-crowned Sparrow	RW		
	Dark-eyed Junco	CW	CW	
	Yellow-eyed Junco		AP	



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