

Preliminary List of Birds
for Yaquina Head
Outstanding Natural Area
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This preliminary list of 159 species includes live birds seen on or from the Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area. Dead birds on the beach are not incorporated, unless specifically noted as such.

This list is based on a cursory examination of records made through 1989, so there may be some additional species that have been seen here. A more complete listing with seasonal statuses for each species is planned for the future. In the mean time, this list can serve as a guide.

This list is an update of one published in the September 1984 "Sandpiper", a publication of Yaquina Birders & Naturalists. The 1984 list (which a compilation of records through 1981) was for 101 species; so 58 new species have been recorded here in the past eight years.

Many of these observations have been by Bureau of Land Management staff at Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area (ONA) and Oregon State University Student Interns. Major contributors include Jim Anderson, Range Bayer, Lisa Ellington, Rick & Jan Krabbe, Kathy Liska and Kathy Merrifield. Members of Yaquina Birders & Naturalists have also made other observations.

Species are listed alphabetically for ease of use by readers.

*rare species that appears to have 10 or less records. If a species only has about 1-2 records, the date of the sighting is given in parentheses.

Birds of Yaquina Head ONA
Auklet, Cassin's
Auklet, Rhinoceros
Blackbird, Brewer's
*Bluebird, Western (one dead on beach on 12/24/1990
*Booby, Blue-footed (9/10/2002)
Brant, Black
Bufflehead
*Bunting, Lark (8/6/1969; 8/14/1977)
*Bunting, Lazuli (4/30/1978)
*Bunting, Snow (11/10/1945)
Chickadee, Black-capped
Chickadee, Chestnut-backed
*Coot, American
Cormorant, Brandt's
Cormorant, Double-crested
Cormorant, Pelagic
Cowbird, Brown-headed
*Creeper, Brown
Crow, American
*Curlew, Long-billed (4/27/1977)
*Dove, Mourning (9/23/1989)
Duck, Harlequin
Eagle, Bald
Falcon, Peregrine
Finch, House
Finch, Purple
*Finch, Rosy (3/12/1976)
Flicker, Northern
*Flycatcher, Hammond's
*Flycatcher, Olive-sided
Flycatcher, Pacific-slope
*Flycatcher, Willow
*Fulmar, Northern
Goldfinch, American
*Goldfinch, Lesser (10/8/1987)
Goose, Canada

Birds of Yaquina Head ONA
*Goose Emperor (6/12/1984)
Grebe, Clark's
Grebe, Eared
Grebe, Horned
Grebe, Red-necked
Grebe, Western
Grosbeak, Evening
Guillemot, Pigeon
Gull, Bonaparte's
Gull, California
Gull, Glaucous
Gull, Glaucous-winged
Gull, Heerman's
Gull, Herring
Gull, Iceland-Hypothetical (12/25/1977)
Gull, Mew
Gull, Ring-billed

Gull, Thayer's
Gull, Western
*Gyrfalcon (1/19 & 3/31/1985)
Harrier, Northern
*Hawk, Cooper's
Hawk, Red-tailed
*Hawk, Rough-legged
*Hawk, Sharp-shinned
Heron, Great-blue
*Hummingbird, Anna's
Hummingbird, Rufous
*Jaeger, Pomarine
*Jay, Gray
Jay, Steller's
Junco, Dark-eyed
Killdeer
*Kingbird, Western
Kingfisher, Belted
Kinglet, Golden-crowned
Kinglet, Ruby-crowned
Kittiwake, Black-legged
*Lark, Horned (10/8 & 9/1987)
*Longspur, Lapland (Longspur, Smith's-Hypothetical 10/25/1977)

Birds of Yaquina Head ONA
Loon, Common
Loon, Pacific
Loon, Red-throated
*Mallard
Meadowlark, Western
Merganser, Red-breasted
*Merlin
Murre, Common
Murrelet, Ancient
Murrelet, Marbled
*Nighthawk, Common
*Nutcracker, Clark's (10/11 & 12/1975)
Nuthatch, Red-breasted
Oldsquaw
*Osprey
*Owl, Great Horned
Owl, Short Eared
Oystercatcher, Black
Pelican, Brown
*Petrel, Leach's-storm
Phalarope, Red
Phalarope, Red-necked
Pigeon, Band-tailed
*Pintail, Northern
Pipit, American
*Puffin, Horned (6/13, 20 & 21/1973)
Puffin, Tufted
*Rail, Virginia
*Raven, Common

Robin, American
Sanderling
Sandpiper, Rock
*Sandpiper, Spotted
Scoter, Black
Scoter, Surf
Scoter, White-winged
Shearwater, Short-tailed
Shearwater, Sooty
*Shrike, Loggerhead
(3/22/1988)
Siskin, Pine

Wrentit
Yellowthroat, Common

*List of Unrecorded
Species that are Possible
for Yaquina Head ONA*

Birds of Yaquina Head ONA
*Sparrow, Chipping
(9/29/1987)

Sparrow, Fox
Sparrow, Golden-crowned
*Sparrow, House
*Sparrow, Lincoln's
Sparrow, Savannah
Sparrow, Song
Sparrow, White-crowned
Starling, European
Surfbird
Swallow, Barn
Swallow, N. Rough-winged
Swallow, Violet Green
Tanager, Western
Tattler, Wandering
*Tern, Artic
Tern, Caspian
*Thrush, Hermit
Thrush, Swainson's
Thrush, Varied
Towhee, Rufous-sided
Turnstone, Ruddy
*Vireo, Hutton's
Vulture, Turkey
Warbler, Black-throated Gray
Warbler, Hermit
*Warbler, Nashville
(10/23/1986)
Warbler, Orange-crowned
*Warbler, Palm
*Warbler, Townsend's
Warbler, Wilson's
*Warbler, Yellow
Warbler, Yellow-rumped
Waxwing, Cedar
Whimbrel
*Willet
Woodpecker, Downy
Woodpecker, Hairy
Wren, Bewick's
*Wren, Rock (11/13, 11/22
& 12/24/1988)
Wren, Winter

Albatross, Black-footed
& Laysan
Bushtit
Crossbill, Red
Dove, Rock
Dowitcher, spp.
Frigatebird, Magnificent
Godwit, Marbled
Goose, White-fronted
Grosbeak, Black-headed
Gull, Franklin's, Little,
& Sabine's
Jaeger, Long-tailed
& Parasitic
Loon, Yellow-billed
Murre, Thick-billed
Owl, No. Pygmy, No.
Saw-whet &
Western Screech
Petrel, Fork-tailed Storm
Pewee, Western Wood
Plover, Black-bellied
& Pink-footed
Sandpiper, Greater & Lesser
Scaup, Greater & Lesser
Shearwater, Buller's
& Pink-footed
Shrike, Northern
Skua, South Polar
Sparrow, White-throated
Swallow, Cliff & Tree
Tern, Common, Elegant,
& Forster's
Vireo, Solitary & Warbling
Warbler, MacGillvray's
Widgeon, American
Yellowlegs, Greater & Lesser

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