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## NATURALIST JOURNEYS & TRAVELLING NATURALISTS 2013 SOUTHWEST PARKS SAMPLER BIRD SPECIES LIST

*Compiled by Pat Lueders*

*Guides: Wynne Brown and Pat Lueders, with 7 participants: Cathy, Dixie, Stuart, Alistair, Janice, Anne and Janet*

- Canada Goose:** flooded field on drive to Torrey, UT and fly over on Hwy 15 on return to Salt Lake City  
**Mallard:** flooded field on drive to Torrey; Boulder Mountain pond  
**Blue-winged Teal:** Flooded field in Torrey, UT; pond west of Tropic  
**Redhead:** Flooded field on drive to Torrey, UT  
**Ruddy Duck:** Pond on drive to Lake Powell near Long Valley  
**Gambel's Quail:** Seen by Alistair behind Torrey Best Western, heard by Pat  
**Dusky Grouse:** Seen by Alistair behind Best Western Torrey, UT  
**Wild Turkey:** seen by all in fields near entrance to Zion NP  
**Pied-billed Grebe:** Flooded field on drive to Torrey, pond near Long Valley  
**Western Grebe:** seen by most in flooded field on drive to Torrey  
**American White Pelican:** seen in scope in flooded field on drive to Torrey and in Utah Lake on return to Salt Lake City  
**Double-crested Cormorant:** drive on highway in tree near Utah Lake and flying on Lake Powell on boat trip  
**Great Blue Heron:** flooded field on drive to Torrey  
**White-faced Ibis:** sighted by Stuart, seen flying from Hwy 15 before Nephi  
**Turkey Vulture:** seen every day in all locations  
**California Condor:** Two at Hobi Point, one seen in the scope by all sitting on a cliff, two flying nearby; two seen later in the day from the Rim Trail, Grand Canyon  
**Osprey:** Seen on return drive to SLC along Hwy 15  
**Northern Harrier:** one spotted by Cathy at Lipon Point, one seen later on drive to Navaho Bridge  
**Sharp-shinned Hawk:** soaring over Larb Hollow Overlook on drive to Boulder and at Mohave Point  
**Cooper's Hawk:** Seen numerous locations soaring including Larb Hollow Overlook & Rim trails at Bryce Canyon & Grand Canyon  
**Red-tailed Hawk:** numerous sightings sitting on poles & soaring including a *Harlan's Hawk* variety on Hwy 24 on drive to Torrey  
**Golden Eagle:** near flooded field on Hwy 24 to Torrey, over Bryce Canyon, and 2 seen by all at close range at Grafton Cemetery

**American Kestrel:** numerous seen by all on drives to most locations  
**Peregrine Falcon:** nesting pair seen on cliffs from Rim trail, Grand Canyon  
**Prairie Falcon:** seen at Lipon Point at close range  
**American Coot:** seen by all in flooded field on drive to Torrey, Boulder Mountain pond, pond near Long Valley  
**Killdeer:** 2 seen by all in cow field in Ruby's Inn  
**American Avocet:** last day at motel area pond  
**Solitary Sandpiper:** flooded field in Torrey, UT  
**Greater Yellowlegs:** flock flying over motel pond in Salt Lake City seen by Pat & Wynne  
**Franklin's Gull:** flock seen flying over motel pond in SLC  
**Ring-billed Gull:** seen at the beginning and end of the trip at the motel pond in SLC  
**California Gull:** seen at the beginning and end of the trip at the motel pond in SLC  
**Rock Pigeon:** seen at numerous locations during the trip  
**Band-tailed Pigeon:** one flew over the van near Long Valley  
**Eurasian Collared Dove:** numerous sightings in many locations  
**Mourning Dove:** motel pond in SLC and town of Torrey, UT  
**White-throated Swift:** Larb Hollow overlook; Rim trail GC; Zion Overlook trail  
**Black-chinned Hummingbird:** seen by all at Calf Creek Falls NM feeders  
**Costa's Hummingbird:** seen by all at Calf Creek Falls feeders  
**Calliope Hummingbird:** feeders at Red Rim Restaurant across from Best Western Torrey & feeders at Calf Creek Falls  
**Broad-tailed Hummingbird:** feeders at restaurant & Calf Creek Falls  
**Rufous Hummingbird:** feeders at restaurant, Calf Creek Falls, Grand Canyon  
**Belted Kingfisher:** at least two seen on river at Calf Creek Falls  
**Williamson's Sapsucker:** pair seen on morning walk to Maswik Lodge, GC  
**Red-naped Sapsucker:** seen by many at Fruita orchards, Capitol Reef  
**Ladder-backed Woodpecker:** seen from Zion bus  
**Hairy Woodpecker:** seen on morning walk to Maswik Lodge & GC Rim trail  
**Red-shafted Flicker:** seen by all many times including Fruita  
**Western Wood-Pewee:** seen in scope in field at Fruita  
**Hammond's Flycatcher:** seen in orchard in Fruita  
**Say's Phoebe:** seen by all on roof of Best Western, Torrey & in field behind motel  
**Vermillion Flycatcher:** seen by all at Grafton in a field  
**Ash-throated Flycatcher:** seen in field behind Best Western Torrey  
**Loggerhead Shrike:** two seen on barbed wire on drive to Lake Powell near Long Valley  
**Gray Vireo:** seen in orchard in Fruita  
**Warbling Vireo:** seen on morning walk at Mossy Creek trail  
**Steller's Jay:** seen numerous locations, the first time at Larb Hollow overlook  
**Western Scrub-Jay:** seen frequently at Grand Canyon, first time on morning walk to Maswik Lodge  
**Pinyon Jay:** flocks seen 4 times including Chimney Rock overlook, Capitol Reef; Mossy Cave trail; Boulder Mountain pond, scenic overlooks  
**Clark's Nutcracker:** first 2 at Lark Hollow Overlook in scope; Bryce Canyon Rim Trail  
**Black-billed Magpie:** first seen at flooded field on drive to Torrey; cow pasture in Torrey; numerous other locations  
**American Crow:** along Hwy 15 on return drive to Salt Lake City  
**Common Raven:** seen everywhere

**Violet-green Swallow:** motel pond in SLC; over pond on drive to Lake Powell

**Northern Rough-winged Swallow:** motel pond in SLC; pond on drive to Lake Powell near Long Valley

**Cliff Swallow:** pond on drive to Lake Powell near Long Valley

**Barn Swallow:** motel pond in SLC; pond on drive to Lake Powell near Long Valley

**Mountain Chickadee:** seen well by all; first time at Larb Hollow overlook; Grand Canyon; many other locations

**Juniper Titmouse:** seen by Pat at Mossy Trail; seen well by many at Desert View, Grand Canyon

**Bushtit:** flock at Lipon Point parking area

**White-breasted Nuthatch:** seen by all on Rim trail, Grand Canyon

**Pygmy Nuthatch:** first seen by all at Larb Hollow; many on Rim Trail, GC

**Brown Creeper:** seen by Pat on Rim trail, Grand Canyon

**Rock Wren:** seen by all from 5' at Chimney Rock lookout, Capitol Reef

**Canyon Wren:** one seen on Lake Powell, 2 seen at Marble Canyon

**Pacific Wren:** heard and seen by Pat at Larb Hollow Overlook

**American Dipper:** found by Stuart, seen by all, in river at Calf Creek Falls NM

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet:** 4 seen at Bryce Canyon Lodge

**Blue-gray Gnatcatcher:** flock seen at the top of Zion Overlook trail

**Western Bluebird:** many seen in scope in field outside Tropic, around Grand Canyon and numerous locations

**Mountain Bluebird:** first seen on Hwy 24 on drive to Torrey; seen by all at many other locations

**Townsend's Solitaire:** seen and heard singing by all upon arrival at Bryce Canyon Rim Trail

**American Robin:** seen by all at many locations

**European Starling:** yes

**Orange-crowned Warbler:** seen in trees along Fremont River in Fruita

**Nashville Warbler:** trail along Fremont River in Fruita; found by Stuart on sidewalk after window strike, Tropic hotel

**Yellow-rumped (Audubon's) Warbler:** Hwy 24 to Torrey; Rim trail Grand Canyon

**Black-throated Gray Warbler:** by all on morning walk along Rim trail, GC

**Townsend's Warbler:** morning walk along Rim trail, Grand Canyon

**Grace's Warbler:** area around Bryce Canyon Lodge

**Wilson's Warbler:** seen by Pat along river at Calf Creek Falls

**Abert's Towhee:** seen by Alistair behind Best Western Torrey

**Chipping Sparrow:** Fruita orchards and other locations

**Clay-colored Sparrow:** Fruita orchards & Grafton field

**Savannah Sparrow:** field by flooded area on road to Torrey

**Song Sparrow:** 2 in wet field on Riverside Trail, Zion NP

**Lincoln's Sparrow:** 4-5 in field in Grafton

**White-crowned Sparrow:** campground at Lake Powell, field at Grafton

**Dark-eyed Junco (Gray-headed race):** first seen by Wynne on drive at Bryce Canyon; Desert View, GC; Rim Trail, GC

**Summer Tanager:** female, Fruita; male, Zion Visitor's Center

**Western Tanager:** male seen by all at Fruita; females Grafton orchard

**Black-headed Grosbeak:** males & females, orchard at Fruita; male orchard at Grafton

**Western Meadowlark:** flooded field on drive to Torrey; agricultural field outside Tropic in scope; drive on Hwy 15 to SLC

**Yellow-headed Blackbird:** on Hwy 24 on drive to Torrey; great looks in cow pen in Ruby's Inn, seen by all in great light!

**Brewer's Blackbird:** cow pen at Ruby's Inn, Bryce Canyon; mule yard on walk to Maswik Lodge, Grand Canyon

**Great-tailed Grackle:** city parking lot in Page to take Antelope Canyon truck

**Brown-headed Cowbird:** mule yard on walk to Maswik Lodge

**Cassin's Finch:** campground at Fruita

**House Finch:** many seen in orchard in Grafton and other places

**Pine Siskin:** on telephone wire at Boulder Mountain Lodge

**Lesser Goldfinch:** seen almost every day everywhere

**House Sparrow:** at every gas station

**TOTAL SPECIES SEEN: 113**

*A great effort and total (thanks to Pat's diligence!), despite missing the Roadrunner and Black Phoebe and a few northern forest birds we hoped for!*