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Southeast Arizona Monsoon Madness Bird & Species List

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Species List

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BIRDS:

- Black-bellied Whistling-Duck** (Water treatment pond in Amado and Rio Rico)
- Mallard, Mexican** (*diazi*) form (Water treatment pond in Amado and Whitewater Draw)
- Cinnamon Teal** (About seven at Whitewater Draw)
- Ruddy Duck** (Water treatment pond in Amado)
- Scaled Quail** (Lower Ramsey Canyon last morning en route to airport)
- Gambel's Quail** (Lower Ramsey and Ash canyons)
- Montezuma Quail** (A frustrating glimpse of two in Huachuca Canyon)
- Wild Turkey** (A hen with a poult in Ash Canyon)
- Neotropic Cormorant** (Water treatment pond in Amado, and two fly-bys from the hotel in Amado)
- Great Blue Heron** (Three at Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area)
- Great Egret** (One at Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area)
- Green Heron** (Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area)
- White-faced Ibis** (A flock of about 20 at Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area)
- Black Vulture** (One in Patagonia)
- Turkey Vulture** (Common throughout)
- Cooper's Hawk** (Several seen--all immatures; best looks at Amado and in Madera Canyon)
- Harris's Hawk** (Two in Sierra Vista where a very uncommon nesting bird)
- Gray Hawk** (Amado vicinity, Kino Springs, Patagonia, and an immature at Huachuca Canyon)
- Swainson's Hawk** (Common throughout)
- Zone-tailed Hawk** (One seen very well in Amado and a quick one from the van in Sierra Vista)
- Red-tailed Hawk**, Western (*calurus*) form (A few throughout-greatly outnumbered by Swainson's Hawks)
- American Coot** (Water treatment pond in Amado)
- American Avocet** (Perhaps eight at Whitewater Draw)
- Killdeer** (A few at Whitewater Draw)

Spotted Sandpiper (Whitewater Draw and Kino Springs water treatment pond)
Greater Yellowlegs (Two at Whitewater Draw)
Lesser Yellowlegs (Two at Whitewater Draw)
Long-billed Dowitcher (Two still in breeding plumage at Whitewater Draw)
Rock Pigeon (A few flocks in urban areas)
Band-tailed Pigeon (A few in upper Carr Canyon)
Eurasian Collared-Dove (Seen by some at Casa de San Pedro)
White-winged Dove (Common throughout)
Mourning Dove (Common throughout)
Inca Dove (Seen best in Patagonia in the Paton's yard)
Common Ground-Dove (Arivaca Cienega, San Pedro House vicinity)
Yellow-billed Cuckoo (Heard at Arivaca Cienega, a van fly-by seen by some at Patagonia)
Greater Roadrunner (Several here and there; best looks near Casa de San Pedro)
Great Horned Owl (A pair at Whitewater Draw)
Burrowing Owl (One very near the Tucson Airport)
Lesser Nighthawk (One near Madera Canyon and one near the San Pedro House)
Magnificent Hummingbird (Madera Canyon, Beatty's, Ramsey Canyon, and Ash Canyon B&B)
Plain-capped Starthroat (This rarity was seen well three times at the Madera Canyon Lodge)
Lucifer Hummingbird (A male at Ash Canyon B&B showed well at the feeders)
Black-chinned Hummingbird (All sites with hummingbird feeders)
Anna's Hummingbird (Beatty's B&B, Behrstock/LeMay yard)
Broad-tailed Hummingbird (At least a couple males at Beatty's B&B)
Rufous Hummingbird (Beatty's B&B, Behrstock/LeMay yard, Carr Canyon)
Broad-billed Hummingbird (All sites with hummingbird feeders)
Violet-crowned Hummingbird (Paton's yard and Ramsey Canyon)
Elegant Trogon (An immature and a flying male were seen in Huachuca Canyon)
Acorn Woodpecker (Numerous in the canyons)
Gila Woodpecker (Several locations; best looks in Patagonia at the Paton's yard)
Ladder-backed Woodpecker (Several locations; close looks at Paton's and Ash Canyon B&B)
Hairy Woodpecker (One individual at the road's end in upper Carr Canyon)
Arizona Woodpecker (Madera and Carr canyons)
Northern Flicker, Red-shafted (*cafer*) form (seen twice; best looks in Carr Canyon)
American Kestrel (Pairs at Arivaca Cienega and the San Pedro House)
Peregrine Falcon (An adult at Whitewater Draw was a nice surprise)
Western Wood-Pewee (Common in the canyons)
Pacific-slope/Cordilleran Flycatcher (A silent bird in Montosa Canyon was left unidentified)
Black Phoebe (Seen on five days at various ponds)
Say's Phoebe (Seen in open areas on four days including Amado and Arivaca Cienega)
Vermilion Flycatcher (Common throughout except in the canyons)
Dusky-capped Flycatcher (Seen in Madera Canyon and heard in Huachuca Canyon)
Ash-throated Flycatcher (Several on trails at the San Pedro House)
Brown-crested Flycatcher (Entrance road to the golf course at Kino Springs)
Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher (Several at Huachuca Canyon including two at a nest hole)
Tropical Kingbird (Pairs at Rio Rico and Kino Springs golf course)

Cassin's Kingbird (Common throughout)
Thick-billed Kingbird (Patagonia roadside rest where nesting)
Western Kingbird (Common throughout)
Loggerhead Shrike (Just a few on utility wires)
Bell's Vireo (Montosa Canyon; numerous at Proctor Road, lower Madera Canyon)
Plumbeous Vireo (Several in Huachuca Canyon)
Cassin's Vireo (One individual of this migrant in Huachuca Canyon)
Hutton's Vireo (Common and noisy in Madera, Huachuca, and Carr canyons)
Warbling Vireo (Two on the trail by Proctor Road, lower Madera Canyon)
Mexican Jay (Common in the canyons)
Chihuahuan Raven (One at the San Pedro House)
Common Raven (Fairly common throughout)
Tree Swallow (A couple hundred at the Double Adobe Campground; a few at Whitewater Draw)
Northern Rough-winged Swallow (Two at Double Adobe Campground)
Cliff Swallow (Santa Cruz River bridges and Whitewater Draw ponds)
Barn Swallow (Fairly common throughout)
Bridled Titmouse (Madera and Huachuca canyons)
Bushtit (A flock at the end of the road in Carr Canyon)
White-breasted Nuthatch (Seen in all canyons and at Paton's yard and Ash Canyon B&B)
Brown Creeper, Mexican (*albescens*) form (Huachuca and Carr canyons)
Rock Wren (Two or three just outside Beatty's B&B in Miller Canyon)
Canyon Wren (Seen in Montosa Canyon, heard in a couple other places)
House Wren, Brown-throated (*brunneicollis*) form (Kubo B&B in Madera Canyon)
Bewick's Wren (Seen four days, mostly in the canyons)
Cactus Wren (Best looks at Casa de San Pedro)
American Robin (Huachuca and Carr canyons)
Curve-billed Thrasher, Western (*palmeri*) group (Scattered throughout, a fledgling at Casa de San Pedro)
Northern Mockingbird (Here and there; a fledgling near Casa de San Pedro)
European Starling (A small flock at Kino Springs)
Phainopepla (Seen the first three days; common around Patagonia)
Olive Warbler (A singing male in Carr Canyon)
Orange-crowned Warbler (Seen by a couple people in Huachuca Canyon)
Lucy's Warbler (Amado Territory Inn yard and Patagonia roadside rest)
Nashville Warbler (Several in Huachuca Canyon)
Common Yellowthroat (Heard at a couple of sites, seen at Whitewater Draw)
Yellow Warbler (Whitewater Draw and near the San Pedro House)
Grace's Warbler (Reef Townsite campground in Carr Canyon)
Black-throated Gray Warbler (Madera, Huachuca, and Carr canyons)
Wilson's Warbler (Seen by a couple participants in Huachuca Canyon)
Red-faced Warbler (Seen by a couple participants in Huachuca Canyon)
Painted Redstart (Nice looks at several in Huachuca Canyon)
Yellow-breasted Chat (Noisy at various sites; best looks at Arivaca Cienega)
Spotted Towhee (Seen in Madera and Huachuca canyons)
Rufous-crowned Sparrow (Best looks at Patagonia Roadside rest)
Canyon Towhee (Best looks at Ash Canyon B&B and Paton's yard in Patagonia)

Abert's Towhee (Paton's yard, Patagonia and Casa de San Pedro)
Rufous-winged Sparrow (Road to Montosa Canyon)
Botteri's Sparrow (Las Cienegas Nat. Conservation Area, San Pedro House trails)
Cassin's Sparrow (San Pedro House trails)
Black-chinned Sparrow (Just outside Bisbee along road above the tunnel)
Lark Sparrow (Small numbers throughout)
Black-throated Sparrow (seen first three days, best looks probably en route to Montosa Canyon)
Grasshopper Sparrow, Arizona (*ammolegus*) form (Seen well at Las Cienegas Nat. Conservation area)
Song Sparrow, Southwestern/Desert (*fallax*) group (Two at Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area)
Yellow-eyed Junco (Reef Townsite campground in Carr Canyon where numerous)
Hepatic Tanager (Seen at least twice in the Huachucas)
Summer Tanager (Proctor Rd. trail, Paton's yard, and near the San Pedro House)
Western Tanager (Nice looks at the Patagonia roadside rest where feeding in a Hackberry)
Northern Cardinal (Singing males at Montosa Canyon, Kino Springs, and Patagonia)
Pyrrhuloxia (Lower Ramsey Canyon and Veterans' Memorial Park in Sierra Vista)
Black-headed Grosbeak (A few in the canyons; feeders at Kubo and Ash Canyon B&B)
Blue Grosbeak (Numerous at various sites)
Lazuli Bunting (Spectacularly, perhaps 500-1,000 in trees and pond vegetation at Whitewater Draw)
Indigo Bunting (A male singing at Arivaca Cienega)
Varied Bunting (Males at Montosa Canyon and Patagonia)
Red-winged Blackbird (Whitewater Draw and Arivaca Cienega)
Eastern Meadowlark, Lillian's (*lilianae*) form (Best looks at the Las Cienegas Nat. Conservation Area)
Great-tailed Grackle (A few, mostly around towns including Sierra Vista)
Brown-headed Cowbird (A few here and there; small flock at Whitewater Draw)
Hooded Oriole, Western (*nelsoni*) group (Singles at Amado and Patagonia)
Scott's Oriole (Heard at Fort Huachuca and seen at the San Pedro House)
House Finch (Common throughout)
Lesser Goldfinch (Common throughout)
House Sparrow (A few here and there)

MAMMALS:

Desert Cottontail (Various sites)
Eastern Cottontail (Upper Carr Canyon)
Black-tailed Jackrabbit (Near Casa de San Pedro and elsewhere)
Antelope Jackrabbit (Vicinity of Madera Canyon)
Arizona Gray Squirrel (Various higher sites)
Rock Squirrel (Various sites)
Cotton Rat (likely Yellow-nosed) (Ash Canyon B&B at seed)
Cliff Chipmunk (Upper Carr Canyon where infrequently recorded)
Pronghorn (A few east of Sonoita)
Mule Deer (Near Amado)
White-tailed Deer (Various sites)

REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS:

Red-spotted Toad (Whitewater Draw)

Bullfrog (Heard at various wetlands)
Red-eared/Pond Slider (Introduced) (Several on pond near the San Pedro House)
Spiny Softshell Turtle (Introduced) (Several on pond near the San Pedro House)
Elegant Earless Lizard (Arivaca Cienega; one along the entrance walkway)
Desert Grassland Whiptail (Various sites outside the canyons)
Clark's Spiny Lizard (Lower Ramsey Canyon from the van)
Yarrow's Spiny Lizard (Various highland sites)
Western Diamond-backed Rattlesnake (Nice close looks along the trail near San Pedro House)

DRAGONFLIES:

Common Green Darner (Arivaca Cienega)
Apache Spiketail (A male at Huachuca Canyon hung up along the trail where it could be appreciated)
Flame Skimmer (A male on the Behrstock/LeMay pond)
Mexican Amberwing (Several competing males on pond at Arivaca Cienega)
Wandering Glider (Various sites)
Variiegated Meadowhawk (Two males from an observation deck at Whitewater Draw)
Blue Dasher (Arivaca Cienega)

BUTTERFLIES AND MOTHS:

Pipevine Swallowtail (Various sites)
Black Swallowtail (Whitewater Draw)
Two-tailed Swallowtail (Canyon hikes)
Checkered White (Various open spaces)
Cloudless Sulphur (Numerous throughout)
Sleepy Orange (San Pedro House and elsewhere)
Western Pygmy-Blue (San Pedro House vicinity)
Echo/Southwestern Azure (Seep on road in Huachuca Canyon)
Palmer's Metalmark (San Pedro House trail)
Variiegated Fritillary (San Pedro House and other sites)
Painted Lady (Various sites)
Monarch (Two males in the Behrstock/LeMay yard)
Queen (Whitewater Draw on Seep Willow and San Pedro House)
Golden-banded Skipper (Several along the trail in Madera Canyon)
Many-spotted Skipperling (Two or three; Huachuca Canyon and elsewhere -- locally rather uncommon)
Common Sootywing (San Pedro House)
Two-spotted Forester Moth (Seep on road in Huachuca Canyon)

GRASSHOPPERS:

Humphrey's Grasshopper (Trail near San Pedro House)
Thomas's Two-striped Grasshopper (Trail near San Pedro House)
Green Bird Grasshopper (Trail near San Pedro House)
"Yellow-bellied Boopie" hundreds of nymphs (Trail near San Pedro House)