



*Bitterns*

# OFFICIAL CHECKLIST

PLEASE FILL IN CIRCLES – NO CHECK MARKS

This list follows the A.O.U. (1998) Checklist of North American Birds, 7th edition in taxonomic treatment and species sequence. For the purposes of the Great Texas Birding Classic, the birds in Texas in April are placed into one of four categories: 1) the expected species that appear on this checklist; 2) species called "Review Species" which are designated by the Texas Bird Records Committee (TBRC) as requiring full documentation; 3) species not on the list which have never been recorded in Texas and will require full documentation; and 4) species omitted from the list that are not expected to occur along the coast, because it is either the wrong time of year (i.e., winter residents) or there is a lack of habitat required by the species. Expect to include documentation for species like: Pacific Loon, Glaucous Gull, Rufous Hummingbird, Brown Creeper, etc. because of their relative rarity in the area during the spring. In summary, if there is no circle to fill or a species is not listed here, then written documentation will be required. In addition, species are NOT expected in the coastal sections listed next to them (U=Upper, C=Central, L=Lower). This is not to say that it's impossible, but documentation will be required.

- WHISTLING-DUCK, Black-bellied
- Fulvous
- GOOSE, Greater White-fronted
- Snow
- Cackling
- DUCK, Muscovy (U,C)
- Wood
- Gadwall
- American Wigeon
- Mallard
- Mottled
- Blue-winged Teal
- Cinnamon Teal
- Northern Shoveler
- Northern Pintail
- Green-winged Teal
- Canvasback
- Redhead
- Ring-necked Duck
- Lesser Scaup
- Bufflehead
- Common Goldeneye
- Hooded Merganser
- Red-breasted Merganser
- Ruddy
- CHACHALACA, Plain (U,C)
- PRAIRIE-CHICKEN, Greater (L)
- TURKEY, Wild
- QUAIL, Scaled (U)
- BOBWHITE, Northern
- LOON, Common
- GREBE, Least
- Pied-billed
- Eared
- GANNET, Northern
- PELICAN, American White
- Brown
- CORMORANT, Neotropic
- Double-crested
- ANHINGA
- FRIGATEBIRD, Magnificent
- HERONS**
- American Bittern
- Least Bittern
- Great Blue

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- Great Egret
- Snowy Egret
- Little Blue
- Tricolored
- Reddish Egret
- Cattle Egret
- Green
- Black-crowned Night-Heron
- Yellow-crowned Night-Heron
- IBIS, White
- Glossy
- White-faced
- SPOONBILL, Roseate
- VULTURE, Black
- Turkey
- OSPREY
- KITE, Hook-billed (U,C)
- Swallow-tailed
- White-tailed
- Mississippi
- EAGLE, Bald (L)
- HARRIER, Northern
- HAWK, Sharp-shinned
- Cooper's
- Gray (U,C)
- Harris's (U)
- Red-shouldered
- Broad-winged
- Swainson's
- White-tailed
- Red-tailed
- CARACARA, Crested
- KESTREL, American
- MERLIN
- FALCON, Aplomado (U)
- Peregrine
- RAIL, Yellow (L)
- Black (L)
- Clapper
- King
- Virginia
- Sora
- GALLINULE, Purple
- MOORHEN, Common
- COOT, American

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- PLOVER, Black-bellied
- American Golden
- Snowy
- Wilson's
- Semipalmated
- Piping
- Killdeer
- OYSTERCATCHER, American
- STILT, Black-necked
- AVOCET, American
- SANDPIPERS**
- Spotted
- Solitary
- Greater Yellowlegs
- Willet
- Lesser Yellowlegs
- Upland
- Whimbrel
- Long-billed Curlew
- Hudsonian Godwit
- Marbled Godwit
- Ruddy Turnstone
- Red Knot
- Sanderling
- Semipalmated
- Western
- Least
- White-rumped
- Baird's
- Pectoral
- Dunlin
- Stilt
- Buff-breasted
- Short-billed Dowitcher
- Long-billed Dowitcher
- SNIPE, Wilson's
- PHALAROPE, Wilson's
- GULL, Bonaparte's
- Laughing
- Franklin's
- Ring-billed
- Herring
- TERN, Least
- Gull-billed
- Caspian

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- Black
- Common
- Forster's
- Royal
- Sandwich
- SKIMMER, Black
- DOVE**
- Rock Pigeon
- Red-billed Pigeon (U,C)
- Eurasian Collared-Dove
- White-winged
- Mourning
- Inca
- Common Ground
- White-tipped (U)
- PARAKEET, Monk (C,L)
- Green (U,C)
- PARROT, Red-crowned (U,C)
- CUCKOO, Yellow-billed
- Black-billed
- ROADRUNNER, Greater
- ANI, Groove-billed
- OWL, Barn
- Eastern Screech
- Great Horned
- Ferruginous Pygmy (U,C)
- Elf (U,C)
- Barred (L)
- NIGHTHAWK, Lesser (U)
- Common
- PAURAUQUE, Common (U)
- POORWILL, Common (U)
- CHUCK-WILL'S-WIDOW
- WHIP-POOR-WILL
- SWIFT, Chimney
- HUMMINGBIRD, Buff-bellied (U)
- Ruby-throated
- Black-chinned
- KINGFISHER, Ringed (U,C)
- Belted
- Green (U)
- WOODPECKER, Red-headed (L)
- Golden-fronted (U)
- Red-bellied (L)
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

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