

# Birds of Madera Canyon



## Santa Rita Mountains, Coronado National Forest, Arizona

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**Coverage** - The grassland *bajada*, mesquite brush, and grazing land along Madera Canyon Road from the Florida Wash uphill in and along both sides of Madera Canyon through the oak and juniper forests and pine and fir forests to the tops of Mt. Wrightson and Mt. Hopkins (See map).

**Sp** = Spring (March through May)  
**Su** = Summer (June and July)  
**F** = Fall (August through November)  
**W** = Winter (December through February)

c = common - Species seen on almost every trip to the Canyon in the appropriate season and habitat.  
u = uncommon - Species may only be found on half of the trips to the Canyon or fewer.

r = rare - Species may be found on only one of many trips to the Canyon and then with some luck.  
i = irregular - Species occur at irregular intervals; present in some years and absent in others, but usually within the same season and habitat.

x = *accidental* - Species that have been found in the Canyon less than five times in the past 20 years.

This checklist was compiled by Laurens Halsey, George West, Jack Murray, and Mark Stevenson for the **Friends of Madera Canyon**.

Mimids (continued)	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Crissal Thrasher.....	u	u	r	r
<b>Waxwings &amp; Silky Flycatchers</b>				
___ Cedar Waxwing.....	u	-	u	u
___ Phainopepla.....	c	c	c	c
<b>Olive Warbler</b>				
___ Olive Warbler.....	u	u	u	u
<b>Longspurs</b>				
___ Chestnut-collared Longspur.....	r	-	-	r
<b>Wood Warblers</b>				
___ Ovenbird .....	x	-	-	-
___ Worm-eating Warbler .....	x	-	-	-
___ Louisiana Waterthrush .....	-	-	x	x
___ Northern Waterthrush.....	r	-	r	-
___ Golden-winged Warbler .....	-	-	x	x
___ Black-and-white Warbler.....	r	-	-	r
___ Crescent-chested Warbler .....	x	x	x	x
___ Tennessee Warbler .....	-	-	-	x
___ Orange-crowned Warbler.....	c	-	c	u
___ Lucy's Warbler.....	c	c	u	-
___ Nashville Warbler.....	u	-	u	-
___ Virginia's Warbler.....	u	u	u	-
___ MacGillivray's Warbler.....	u	-	u	-
___ Hooded Warbler.....	x	x	-	-
___ American Redstart .....	-	-	x	-
___ Cerulean Warbler .....	x	-	-	-
___ Northern Parula .....	x	x	-	x
___ Tropical Parula .....	-	x	-	-
___ Blackburnian Warbler .....	x	-	-	-
___ Yellow Warbler.....	r	r	r	-
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler .....	-	x	-	-
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler .....	x	-	-	x
___ Pine Warbler.....	x	-	-	-
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler.....	c	u	c	u
___ Yellow-throated Warbler .....	x	-	-	x
___ Prairie Warbler .....	x	-	-	-
___ Grace's Warbler.....	c	c	u	-
___ Black-throated Gray Warbler.....	c	c	u	r
___ Townsend's Warbler.....	c	u	c	r
___ Hermit Warbler.....	u	r	u	x
___ Black-throated Green Warbler .....	-	-	x	-
___ Fan-tailed Warbler .....	x	-	-	-
___ Wilson's Warbler.....	c	u	r	-
___ Red-faced Warbler.....	c	c	u	-
___ Painted Redstart.....	c	c	c	u
___ Slate-throated Redstart .....	x	-	-	-
___ Yellow-breasted Chat.....	r	r	r	-

Towhees & Sparrows	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Green-tailed Towhee.....	u	-	u	c
___ Spotted Towhee.....	u	u	u	u
___ Rufous-crowned Sparrow.....	c	c	c	c
___ Canyon Towhee.....	c	c	c	c
___ Abert's Towhee.....	r	r	r	r
___ Rufous-winged Sparrow.....	c	c	u	u
___ Botteri's Sparrow.....	c	c	u	x
___ Cassin's Sparrow.....	u	c	u	r
___ Chipping Sparrow.....	c	-	c	c
___ Clay-colored Sparrow.....	x	-	-	-
___ Brewer's Sparrow.....	c	-	c	c
___ Black-chinned Sparrow.....	r	-	r	r
___ Vesper Sparrow.....	c	-	u	c
___ Lark Sparrow.....	u	-	u	c
___ Five-striped Sparrow .....	x	-	-	-
___ Black-throated Sparrow.....	c	c	c	c
___ Lark Bunting.....	u	-	u	u
___ Savannah Sparrow.....	u	-	u	c
___ Grasshopper Sparrow.....	-	-	-	r
___ Fox Sparrow.....	-	-	-	r
___ Song Sparrow.....	r	-	r	-
___ Lincoln's Sparrow.....	u	-	u	u
___ White-throated Sparrow .....	x	-	-	x
___ White-crowned Sparrow.....	c	-	c	c
___ Golden-crowned Sparrow .....	-	-	-	x
___ Dark-eyed Junco.....	c	-	c	c
___ Yellow-eyed Junco.....	c	c	c	c

Tanagers	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Hepatic Tanager.....	c	c	u	r
___ Summer Tanager.....	c	c	u	-
___ Scarlet Tanager .....	-	x	-	-
___ Western Tanager.....	c	c	c	-
___ Flame-colored Tanager.....	r	r	-	-

Cardinals, Grosbeaks & Buntings	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Northern Cardinal.....	c	c	c	c
___ Pyrrhuloxia.....	u	u	u	u
___ Yellow Grosbeak .....	-	x	-	-
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak.....	r	r	r	x
___ Black-headed Grosbeak.....	c	c	c	-
___ Blue Grosbeak.....	c	c	u	-
___ Lazuli Bunting.....	u	-	u	-
___ Indigo Bunting.....	r	-	r	-
___ Varied Bunting.....	c	c	c	-
___ Painted Bunting .....	-	-	x	-

Blackbirds & Orioles	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Red-winged Blackbird.....	-	r	r	-
___ Eastern Meadowlark.....	c	c	c	c
___ Western Meadowlark.....	r	-	r	u

Blackbirds & Orioles (continued)	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Brewer's Blackbird.....	r	-	r	r
___ Great-tailed Grackle.....	r	r	r	r
___ Bronzed Cowbird.....	u	u	u	-
___ Brown-headed Cowbird.....	c	c	u	-
___ Hooded Oriole.....	c	c	c	-
___ Bullock's Oriole.....	c	u	u	-
___ Scott's Oriole.....	c	c	c	r

Cardueline Finches	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Purple Finch .....	-	-	-	x
___ Cassin's Finch.....	i	-	-	i
___ House Finch.....	c	c	c	c
___ Red Crossbill.....	r	r	r	r
___ Pine Siskin.....	c	-	u	c
___ Lesser Goldfinch.....	c	c	c	c
___ Lawrence's Goldfinch.....	r	-	r	r
___ American Goldfinch .....	r	-	-	r
___ Evening Grosbeak.....	r	-	-	r



Please report your sightings of any of the accidental species listed above, or any species found outside its normal season or habitat to:  
[info@friendsofmaderacanyon.org](mailto:info@friendsofmaderacanyon.org).

Quail & Turkey	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Scaled Quail.....	i	i	i	i
___ Gambel's Quail.....	u	u	u	u
___ Montezuma Quail.....	u	u	u	u
___ Wild Turkey.....	c	c	c	c

**Vultures, Kites, Hawks, Eagles & Falcons**

___ Black Vulture.....	-	r	-	-
___ Turkey Vulture.....	u	c	c	-
___ Osprey.....	-	-	x	-
___ White-tailed Kite.....	-	x	-	-
___ Northern Harrier.....	u	-	u	u
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk.....	r	-	-	u
___ Cooper's Hawk.....	c	c	c	c
___ Northern Goshawk.....	r	r	r	r
___ Common Black-Hawk.....	x	-	-	-
___ Broad-winged Hawk.....	x	-	-	-
___ Gray Hawk.....	r	r	-	-
___ Short-tailed Hawk.....	-	x	x	-
___ Swainson's Hawk.....	u	u	u	-
___ Zone-tailed Hawk.....	u	u	u	-
___ Red-tailed Hawk.....	c	c	c	c
___ Ferruginous Hawk.....	-	-	-	r
___ Golden Eagle.....	u	u	u	u
___ American Kestrel.....	u	u	u	u
___ Merlin.....	r	-	r	r
___ Peregrine Falcon.....	u	r	u	u
___ Prairie Falcon.....	r	r	r	u

**Rails**

___ Sora.....	-	-	x	-
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**Pigeons & Doves**

___ Band-tailed Pigeon.....	u	u	u	r
___ White-winged Dove.....	u	c	c	-
___ Mourning Dove.....	c	c	c	u
___ Inca Dove.....	r	r	r	r
___ Common Ground-Dove.....	r	r	r	r

**Cuckoos & Roadrunners**

___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo.....	-	u	-	-
___ Greater Roadrunner.....	u	u	u	u

**Owls**

___ Barn Owl.....	r	r	r	r
___ Flammulated Owl.....	r	r	-	-
___ Western Screech-Owl.....	u	u	u	u
___ Whiskered Screech-Owl.....	c	c	r	r
___ Great Horned Owl.....	u	u	u	u
___ Northern Pygmy-Owl.....	u	u	u	u
___ Elf Owl.....	c	c	-	x
___ Spotted Owl.....	r	r	r	r

Nighthawks & Nightjars	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Lesser Nighthawk.....	c	c	c	-
___ Common Nighthawk.....	-	r	-	-
___ Common Poorwill.....	c	c	u	-
___ Buff-collared Nightjar.....	i	i	-	-
___ Mexican Whip-poor-will.....	c	c	u	-

**Swifts**

___ Vaux's Swift.....	r	-	u	-
___ White-throated Swift.....	c	c	c	u

**Hummingbirds**

___ Broad-billed Hummingbird.....	c	c	c	r
___ White-eared Hummingbird.....	r	r	-	-
___ Berylline Hummingbird.....	-	r	r	-
___ Violet-crowned Hummingbird.....	r	r	r	-
___ Blue-throated Hummingbird.....	u	u	u	r
___ Magnificent Hummingbird.....	c	c	c	u
___ Lucifer Hummingbird.....	-	r	-	-
___ Black-chinned Hummingbird.....	c	c	c	-
___ Anna's Hummingbird.....	c	c	c	r
___ Costa's Hummingbird.....	u	u	u	r
___ Calliope Hummingbird.....	r	r	r	-
___ Broad-tailed Hummingbird.....	c	c	c	-
___ Rufous Hummingbird.....	c	u	c	-
___ Allen's Hummingbird.....	r	r	r	-

**Trogons & Kingfishers**

___ Elegant Trogon.....	c	c	u	r
___ Eared Quetzal.....	-	-	x	-
___ Belted Kingfisher.....	-	x	x	-

**Woodpeckers**

___ Acorn Woodpecker.....	c	c	c	c
___ Gila Woodpecker.....	u	u	u	u
___ Williamson's Sapsucker.....	r	-	r	r
___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker.....	-	-	r	r
___ Red-naped Sapsucker.....	u	-	u	u
___ Red-breasted Sapsucker.....	-	-	-	r
___ Ladder-backed Woodpecker.....	c	c	c	c
___ Hairy Woodpecker.....	u	u	u	u
___ Arizona Woodpecker.....	c	c	c	c
___ Northern Flicker.....	c	u	c	c

**Tyrant Flycatchers**

___ Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet.....	u	u	r	r
___ Olive-sided Flycatcher.....	u	-	u	-
___ Greater Pewee.....	c	c	r	r
___ Western Wood-Pewee.....	c	c	u	-
___ Eastern Wood-Pewee.....	-	x	-	-
___ Hammond's Flycatcher.....	c	-	c	r
___ Gray Flycatcher.....	u	-	r	r

Tyrant Flycatchers (continued)	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Dusky Flycatcher.....	u	-	u	r
___ Pacific-slope Flycatcher.....	u	-	u	-
___ Cordilleran Flycatcher.....	c	c	u	-
___ Buff-breasted Flycatcher.....	r	-	r	-
___ Black Phoebe.....	u	u	u	r
___ Eastern Phoebe.....	-	-	-	x
___ Say's Phoebe.....	c	c	c	u
___ Vermilion Flycatcher.....	r	r	r	-
___ Dusky-capped Flycatcher.....	c	c	u	-
___ Ash-throated Flycatcher.....	c	c	c	r
___ Brown-crested Flycatcher.....	c	c	u	-
___ Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher.....	c	c	-	-
___ Cassin's Kingbird.....	c	c	u	-
___ Thick-billed Kingbird.....	x	-	-	-
___ Western Kingbird.....	c	c	c	-
___ Rose-throated Becard.....	x	x	-	-

**Shrikes**

___ Loggerhead Shrike.....	u	u	u	u
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**Vireos**

___ White-eyed Vireo.....	-	-	x	-
___ Bell's Vireo.....	c	c	u	-
___ Gray Vireo.....	r	r	-	-
___ Yellow-throated Vireo.....	-	-	x	-
___ Plumbeous Vireo.....	c	c	c	r
___ Cassin's Vireo.....	c	-	u	-
___ Hutton's Vireo.....	c	c	c	c
___ Red-eyed Vireo.....	-	-	x	-
___ Warbling Vireo.....	c	c	u	-
___ Yellow-green Vireo.....	-	x	-	-

**Jays, Crows, & Ravens**

___ Steller's Jay.....	u	u	u	u
___ Western Scrub-Jay.....	r	r	r	r
___ Mexican Jay.....	c	c	c	c
___ Chihuahuan Raven.....	u	u	u	u
___ Common Raven.....	c	c	c	c

**Larks**

___ Horned Lark.....	r	r	r	r
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**Swallows**

___ Purple Martin.....	r	r	r	-
___ Tree Swallow.....	r	-	x	-
___ Violet-green Swallow.....	r	r	r	-
___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow.....	r	-	r	-
___ Cliff Swallow.....	u	u	u	-
___ Barn Swallow.....	u	u	u	-

Titmice & Chickadees	Sp	Su	F	W
___ Mountain Chickadee.....	-	-	x	-
___ Bridled Titmouse.....	c	c	c	c

**Verdin & Bushtit**

___ Verdin.....	c	c	c	c
___ Bushtit.....	u	u	u	u

**Nuthatches**

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch.....	i	i	i	i
___ White-breasted Nuthatch.....	c	c	c	c
___ Pygmy Nuthatch.....	i	i	i	i

**Creepers**

___ Brown Creeper.....	c	c	c	c
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**Wrens**

___ Cactus Wren.....	u	u	u	u
___ Rock Wren.....	u	u	u	u
___ Canyon Wren.....	c	c	c	c
___ Bewick's Wren.....	c	c	c	c
___ House Wren.....	c	c	c	u
___ Pacific Wren.....	-	-	-	r
___ Winter Wren.....	-	-	r	r

**Gnatcatchers & Kinglets**

___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher.....	u	r	u	r
___ Black-tailed Gnatcatcher.....	u	u	u	u
___ Black-capped Gnatcatcher.....	r	r	r	r
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet.....	r	-	r	r
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet.....	c	r	c	c

**Thrushes**

___ Eastern Bluebird.....	r	r	r	r
___ Western Bluebird.....	u	r	u	u
___ Mountain Bluebird.....	i	-	-	i
___ Townsend's Solitaire.....	r	-	r	u
___ Brown-backed Solitaire.....	-	-	x	-
___ Swainson's Thrush.....	u	-	u	-
___ Hermit Thrush.....	c	c	c	c
___ Wood Thrush.....	-	x	-	-
___ Rufous-backed Robin.....	-	-	x	-
___ American Robin.....	c	c	u	r
___ Varied Thrush.....	-	-	x	x
___ Aztec Thrush.....	-	-	r	x

**Mimids**

___ Gray Catbird.....	-	-	x	x
___ Northern Mockingbird.....	c	c	c	c
___ Sage Thrasher.....	r	x	r	-
___ Brown Thrasher.....	x	-	-	-
___ Curve-billed Thrasher.....	u	u	u	u