

SPECIES	SP	SU	A	W
Snow Goose	❖		❖	❖
Brant				❖
Cackling Goose			❖	
Canada Goose*	●	●	●	●
Mute Swan	□	□		□
Trumpeter Swan*	○	□		□
Tundra Swan	□		❖	
Wood Duck*	●	○	●	
Gadwall	○		○	❖
American Wigeon	●		●	❖
American Black Duck	●	□	●	●
<b>Mallard*</b>	●	●	●	●
Blue-winged Teal*	●	□	●	
Northern Shoveler	□		❖	❖
Northern Pintail	□		□	□
Green-winged Teal	●	○	●	□
Canvasback	□			❖
Redhead	❖			❖
Ring-necked Duck	●		●	❖
Greater Scaup	□			
Lesser Scaup	□			
Long-tailed Duck	❖			
Bufflehead	●		●	●
Common Goldeneye	●		●	●
Hooded Merganser	●	❖		○
Common Merganser	●		●	●
Red-breasted Merganser	❖	❖		
Ruddy Duck	□		□	
Ring-necked Pheasant				❖
Ruffed Grouse*	□	□	□	□
<b>Wild Turkey*</b>	●	●	●	●
Common Loon	□		□	
Pied-billed Grebe	●		○	❖
Horned Grebe				❖
Red-necked Grebe				❖
Double-crested Cormorant	●	●	●	
American Bittern	□			
Great Blue Heron*	●	●	●	○
Great Egret	❖	○	○	
<i>Little Blue Heron</i>		❖		
Green Heron*	○	○	○	
Black-crowned Night-Heron		○	○	❖
Turkey Vulture	●	●	●	❖

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Osprey*	●	●	●	
Bald Eagle	○	□	○	●
Northern Harrier	□		□	❖
<b>Sharp-shinned Hawk*</b>	●	○	●	●
<b>Cooper's Hawk*</b>	●	●	●	●
Northern Goshawk			□	
Red-shouldered Hawk	□			❖
Broad-winged Hawk	○		○	
<b>Red-tailed Hawk*</b>	●	●	●	●
Rough-legged Hawk	□			□
Golden Eagle	□			
American Kestrel*	○	□	○	○
Merlin	□	□	□	○
Peregrine Falcon			□	
Virginia Rail	○	○	□	
Sora	○	○	□	❖
Common Moorhen	○	□		
American Coot	□	□		❖
Sandhill Crane*	□	□	□	
Semipalmated Plover	□			
Killdeer*	●	●	●	❖
Spotted Sandpiper*	●	●	●	
Solitary Sandpiper	○	○	○	
Greater Yellowlegs	●	○	●	
Lesser Yellowlegs	●	●	●	
Semipalmated Sandpiper		□	□	
Least Sandpiper		●	●	
Baird's Sandpiper		□		
Pectoral Sandpiper			○	
Dunlin	□		□	
Stilt Sandpiper			□	
Wilson's Snipe	○	○	●	❖
American Woodcock*	●	□		
Bonaparte's Gull	□		□	❖
Ring-billed Gull	●	●	●	○
<b>Herring Gull</b>	●	●	●	●
Thayer's Gull				❖
Iceland Gull	○			○
<i>Lesser Black-backed Gull</i>				❖
Glaucous Gull	○			○
Great Black-backed Gull	○		○	○
Caspian Tern	□	●	□	
Common Tern		□		

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Black Tern	❖			
<b>Rock Pigeon*</b>	●	●	●	●
<b>Mourning Dove*</b>	●	●	●	●
Yellow-billed Cuckoo*	○	○	□	
Black-billed Cuckoo*	○	○		
<b>Eastern Screech-Owl*</b>	○	□	□	○
<b>Great Horned Owl*</b>	○	□	□	○
Snowy Owl				□
Long-eared Owl				□
Northern Saw-whet Owl	□		□	
Common Nighthawk	●	□	●	
Whip-poor-will	□			
Chimney Swift*	●	●	●	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	●	●	●	
Belted Kingfisher*	●	●	●	○
Red-headed Woodpecker	□	□		
<b>Red-bellied Woodpecker*</b>	●	●	●	●
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	●		●	
<b>Downy Woodpecker*</b>	●	●	●	●
<b>Hairy Woodpecker*</b>	●	●	●	●
Northern Flicker*	●	●	●	□
<b>Pileated Woodpecker*</b>	○	○	○	○
Olive-sided Flycatcher		□		
Eastern Wood-Pewee		●	●	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher		○		
Alder Flycatcher	●			
Willow Flycatcher*	●	●		
Least Flycatcher	●	○		
Eastern Phoebe*	●	●	●	
Great Crested Flycatcher	●	●	□	
Eastern Kingbird*	●	●	●	
Northern Shrike	□		□	○
Yellow-throated Vireo	□	□		
Blue-headed Vireo	●		□	
Warbling Vireo*	●	●	●	
Philadelphia Vireo	●		□	
Red-eyed Vireo*	●	●	●	
<b>Blue Jay*</b>	●	●	●	●
<b>American Crow*</b>	●	●	●	●
Horned Lark*	●	●	●	○
Tree Swallow*	●	●	●	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow*	●	●	●	
Bank Swallow*	●	●	○	

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Cliff Swallow*	●	●	○	
Barn Swallow*	●	●	●	
<b>Black-capped Chickadee*</b>	●	●	●	●
Tufted Titmouse				□
Red-breasted Nuthatch	○		○	○
<b>White-breasted Nuthatch*</b>	●	●	●	●
Brown Creeper*	○	○	○	○
Carolina Wren*	□	□		□
House Wren*	●	●	●	
Winter Wren	○	□		□
Marsh Wren	□	□	□	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	●		●	○
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	●		●	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	○	○	□	
Eastern Bluebird*	○	○	□	
Veery	●			
Grey-cheeked Thrush	□		□	
Swainson's Thrush	●		○	
Hermit Thrush	●		●	
Wood Thrush	○	○		
<b>American Robin*</b>	●	●	●	●
Gray Catbird*	●	●	●	
Northern Mockingbird	□			□
Brown Thrasher	○	○	□	
<b>European Starling*</b>	●	●	●	●
American Pipit			□	
Cedar Waxwing*	●	●	●	□
Blue-winged Warbler*	○	○		
Golden-winged Warbler	□			
Tennessee Warbler	○		○	
Orange-crowned Warbler	○		○	
Nashville Warbler	●		●	
Northern Parula	○		□	
Yellow Warbler*	●	●	●	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	●		○	
Magnolia Warbler	●	○	●	
Cape May Warbler	○		○	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	○		○	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	●	❖	●	❖
Black-throated Green Warbler	●	□	●	
Blackburnian Warbler	○		○	
Pine Warbler*	●	●	○	❖
Prairie Warbler		❖		

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Palm Warbler	●		●	
Bay-breasted Warbler	○		○	
Blackpoll Warbler	●		○	
Black-and-white Warbler	●		○	
American Redstart*	●	●	●	
<i>Swainson's Warbler</i>	❖			
Ovenbird	○	□		
Northern Waterthrush	□		□	
Connecticut Warbler			□	
Mourning Warbler	○	□		
Common Yellowthroat*	●	●	●	❖
Hooded Warbler		□		
Wilson's Warbler	●		○	
Canada Warbler	○		□	
Scarlet Tanager	○	○		
<i>Spotted Towhee</i>				❖
Eastern Towhee	○	□	□	
American Tree Sparrow	●		●	●
Chipping Sparrow*	●	●	○	❖
Clay-coloured Sparrow		□		
Field Sparrow*	●	●	□	
Vesper Sparrow*	●	●		
Savannah Sparrow*	●	●	□	
Grasshopper Sparrow		□		
Fox Sparrow	●		□	
<b>Song Sparrow*</b>	●	●	●	●
Lincoln's Sparrow	○		□	
Swamp Sparrow*	●	●	○	○
White-throated Sparrow	●		●	□
White-crowned Sparrow	●		●	
Dark-eyed Junco	●		●	●
Lapland Longspur			□	
Snow Bunting				□
<b>Northern Cardinal*</b>	●	●	●	●
Rose-breasted Grosbeak*	●	●	●	
Indigo Bunting*	●	●	□	
Bobolink	□			
Red-winged Blackbird*	●	●	●	□
Eastern Meadowlark	○	□	□	
Rusty Blackbird	□		□	
Common Grackle*	●	●	●	❖

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Brown-headed Cowbird*	●	●	●	□
Orchard Oriole*	○	○		
Baltimore Oriole*	●	●		
Pine Grosbeak	□			□
Purple Finch	○		○	
<b>House Finch*</b>	●	●	●	●
Red Crossbill	□			
White-winged Crossbill				□
Common Redpoll	□			□
Hoary Redpoll				□
Pine Siskin	□	□		□
<b>American Goldfinch*</b>	●	●	●	●
Evening Grosbeak				❖
<b>House Sparrow*</b>	●	●	●	●

## LEGEND

Spring, early March to the end of May  
 Summer, early June to mid-August  
 Autumn, mid-August to the end of November  
 Winter, December to February  
 Species observed all year.  
 This species has nested.  
 Species regularly observed.  
 Species not always observed.  
 Species occasionally observed.  
 Sighting is unusual or unlikely.  
 This species is accidental.

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## BIRDS ABOUT THE CONFLUENCE OF THE GRAND & SPEED RIVERS, CAMBRIDGE, ONTARIO

### Credits:

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This checklist includes 227 species of birds observed within a 3-km radius of the Confluence of the Grand & Speed Rivers. Located in northwest Cambridge, the birding area includes reaches of the Grand between Doon Valley G.C., Kitchener, and Cambridge Memorial Hospital; reaches of the Speed upriver to Speedsville Road; Cambridge Riverbank Trail System including Grand Trunk Trail, Linear Trail, Mill Run Trail; west half Dumfries C.A.; Parklawn Cemetery; *rare* Charitable Research Reserve, and adjacent wetlands; and neighbourhoods of Preston & Blair.

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