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THE OFFICIAL LIST OF TENNESSEE BIRDS 1998 UPDATE

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The Tennessee Ornithological Society's Certification Committee, now the Tennessee Bird Records Committee, was formed in 1982 to assemble the official list of Tennessee birds (Nicholson 1983). Subsequently, the committee has provided four addenda to the list (Nicholson and Stedman 1988; Knight 1993, 1996; Greene 1997). However, a complete list of the state's birds has not been published since 1983. The following list contains all species accepted by the committee through 1997.

Acceptance criteria have remained the same throughout this period. A species is placed on the confirmed list based upon either 1) extant verified specimen, photograph or sound recording, or 2) satisfactory written details of three independent sight records. Lacking these levels of documentation, a species is placed on the provisional list based upon one or two sight records with satisfactory written details. Acceptance to either list requires an unanimous decision by the committee.

The current list consists of 370 confirmed species and 20 provisional species for a total of 390 species accepted in Tennessee. Taxonomy follows the A.O.U. (1998). The list is divided by families.

Notations to the list:

- P - provisional species (n=20)
E - extirpated species (n=2)
X - extinct species (n=2)

- Red-throated Loon *Gavia stellata*
 Pacific Loon *Gavia pacifica*
 Common Loon *Gavia immer*
 Yellow-billed Loon *Gavia adamsii*
- Pied-billed Grebe *Podilymbus podiceps*
 Horned Grebe *Podiceps auritus*
 Red-necked Grebe *Podiceps grisegena*
 Eared Grebe *Podiceps nigricollis*
 Western Grebe (P) *Aechmophorus occidentalis*
 Clark's Grebe (P) *Aechmophorus clarkii*
- Band-rumped Storm-Petrel
Oceanodroma castro
- Northern Gannet (P) *Morus bassanus*
- American White Pelican *Pelecanus erythrorhynchos*
 Brown Pelican *Pelecanus occidentalis*
- Neotropic Cormorant *Phalacrocorax brasilianus*
 Double-crested Cormorant
Phalacrocorax auritus
- Anhinga *Anhinga anhinga*
- Magnificent Frigatebird *Fregata magnificens*
- American Bittern *Botaurus lentiginosus*
 Least Bittern *Ixobrychus exilis*
 Great Blue Heron *Ardea herodias*
 Great Egret *Ardea alba*
 Snowy Egret *Egretta thula*
 Little Blue Heron *Egretta caerulea*
 Tricolored Heron *Egretta tricolor*
 Reddish Egret *Egretta rufescens*
 Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*
 Green Heron *Butorides virescens*
 Black-crowned Night-Heron
Nycticorax nycticorax
 Yellow-crowned Night-Heron
Nyctanassa violacea
- White Ibis *Eudocimus albus*
 Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*
 White-faced Ibis *Plegadis chihi*
 Roseate Spoonbill *Ajaia ajaja*
- Wood Stork *Mycteria americana*
- Black Vulture *Coragyps atratus*
 Turkey Vulture *Cathartes aura*
- Black-bellied Whistling-Duck
Dendrocygna autumnalis
 Fulvous Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna bicolor*
 Greater White-fronted Goose *Anser albifrons*
 Snow Goose *Chen caerulescens*
 Ross' Goose *Chen rossii*
 Canada Goose *Branta canadensis*
 Brant *Branta bernicla*
 Barnacle Goose *Branta leucopsis*
 Mute Swan *Cygnus olor*
 Trumpeter Swan (E) *Cygnus buccinator*
 Tundra Swan *Cygnus columbianus*
 Wood Duck *Aix sponsa*
 Gadwall *Anas strepera*
 Eurasian Wigeon *Anas penelope*
 American Wigeon *Anas americana*
 American Black Duck *Anas rubripes*
 Mallard *Anas platyrhynchos*
 Blue-winged Teal *Anas discors*
 Cinnamon Teal *Anas cyanoptera*
 Northern Shoveler *Anas clypeata*
 Northern Pintail *Anas acuta*
 Garganey *Anas querquedula*
 Green-winged Teal *Anas crecca*
 Canvasback *Aythya valisineria*
 Redhead *Aythya americana*
 Ring-necked Duck *Aythya collaris*
 Greater Scaup *Aythya marila*
 Lesser Scaup *Aythya affinis*
 King Eider *Somateria spectabilis*
 Harlequin Duck *Histrionicus histrionicus*
 Surf Scoter *Melanitta perspicillata*
 White-winged Scoter *Melanitta fusca*
 Black Scoter *Melanitta nigra*
 Oldsquaw *Clangula hyemalis*
 Bufflehead *Bucephala albeola*
 Common Goldeneye *Bucephala clangula*
 Barrow's Goldeneye (P) *Bucephala islandica*
 Hooded Merganser *Lophodytes cucullatus*
 Common Merganser *Mergus merganser*
 Red-breasted Merganser *Mergus serrator*
 Masked Duck *Nomonyx dominicus*
 Ruddy Duck *Oxyura jamaicensis*
- Osprey *Pandion haliaetus*
 Swallow-tailed Kite *Elanoides forficatus*
 White-tailed Kite *Elanus leucurus*
 Mississippi Kite *Ictinia mississippiensis*
 Bald Eagle *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*

- Northern Harrier *Circus cyaneus*
 Sharp-shinned Hawk *Accipiter striatus*
 Cooper's Hawk *Accipiter cooperii*
 Northern Goshawk *Accipiter gentilis*
 Red-shouldered Hawk *Buteo lineatus*
 Broad-winged Hawk *Buteo platypterus*
 Swainson's Hawk (P) *Buteo swainsoni*
 Red-tailed Hawk *Buteo jamaicensis*
 Rough-legged Hawk *Buteo lagopus*
 Golden Eagle *Aquila chrysaetos*
- American Kestrel *Falco sparverius*
 Merlin *Falco columbarius*
 Gyrfalcon (P) *Falco rusticolus*
 Peregrine Falcon *Falco peregrinus*
 Prairie Falcon *Falco mexicanus*
- Ruffed Grouse *Bonasa umbellus*
 Greater Prairie-Chicken (E)
 Tympanuchus cupido
- Wild Turkey *Meleagris gallopavo*
- Northern Bobwhite *Colinus virginianus*
- Yellow Rail *Coturnicops noveboracensis*
 Black Rail *Laterallus jamaicensis*
 Clapper Rail *Rallus longirostris*
 King Rail *Rallus elegans*
 Virginia Rail *Rallus limicola*
 Sora *Porzana carolina*
 Purple Gallinule *Porphyryla martinica*
 Common Moorhen *Gallinula chloropus*
 American Coot *Fulica americana*
- Limpkin *Aramus guarauna*
- Sandhill Crane *Grus canadensis*
- Black-bellied Plover *Pluvialis squatarola*
 American Golden-Plover *Pluvialis dominica*
 Snowy Plover *Charadrius alexandrinus*
 Wilson's Plover (P) *Charadrius wilsonia*
 Semipalmated Plover
 Charadrius semipalmatus
 Piping Plover *Charadrius melodus*
 Killdeer *Charadrius vociferus*
- Black-necked Stilt *Himantopus mexicanus*
 American Avocet *Recurvirostra americana*
- Greater Yellowlegs *Tringa melanoleuca*
 Lesser Yellowlegs *Tringa flavipes*
 Solitary Sandpiper *Tringa solitaria*
 Willet *Catoptrophorus semipalmatus*
 Spotted Sandpiper *Actitis macularia*
 Upland Sandpiper *Bartramia longicauda*
 Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus*
 Long-billed Curlew *Numenius americanus*
 Hudsonian Godwit *Limosa haemastica*
 Marbled Godwit *Limosa fedoa*
 Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*
 Red Knot *Calidris canutus*
 Sanderling *Calidris alba*
 Semipalmated Sandpiper *Calidris pusilla*
 Western Sandpiper *Calidris mauri*
 Red-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis*
 Least Sandpiper *Calidris minutilla*
 White-rumped Sandpiper *Calidris fuscicollis*
 Baird's Sandpiper *Calidris bairdii*
 Pectoral Sandpiper *Calidris melanotos*
 Sharp-tailed Sandpiper *Calidris acuminata*
 Purple Sandpiper *Calidris maritima*
 Dunlin *Calidris alpina*
 Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*
 Stilt Sandpiper *Calidris himantopus*
 Buff-breasted Sandpiper
 Tryngites subruficollis
- Ruff *Philomachus pugnax*
 Short-billed Dowitcher *Limnodromus griseus*
 Long-billed Dowitcher
 Limnodromus scolopaceus
- Common Snipe *Gallinago gallinago*
 American Woodcock *Scolopax minor*
 Wilson's Phalarope *Phalaropus tricolor*
 Red-necked Phalarope *Phalaropus lobatus*
 Red Phalarope *Phalaropus fulicaria*
- Pomarine Jaeger *Stercorarius pomarinus*
 Parasitic Jaeger *Stercorarius parasiticus*
 Long-tailed Jaeger *Stercorarius longicaudus*
- Laughing Gull *Larus atricilla*
 Franklin's Gull *Larus pipixcan*
 Little Gull (P) *Larus minutus*
 Black-headed Gull *Larus ridibundus*
 Bonaparte's Gull *Larus philadelphia*
 Ring-billed Gull *Larus delawarensis*
 California Gull (P) *Larus californicus*
 Herring Gull *Larus argentatus*
 Iceland Gull (P) *Larus glaucoides*
 Lesser Black-backed Gull *Larus fuscus*
 Glaucous Gull *Larus hyperboreus*

- Great Black-backed Gull *Larus marinus*
 Sabine's Gull (P) *Xema sabini*
 Black-legged Kittiwake *Rissa tridactyla*
 Ivory Gull *Pagophila eburnea*
 Caspian Tern *Sterna caspia*
 Royal Tern (P) *Sterna maxima*
 Common Tern *Sterna hirundo*
 Arctic Tern (P) *Sterna paradisaea*
 Forster's Tern *Sterna forsteri*
 Least Tern *Sterna antillarum*
 Sooty Tern (P) *Sterna fuscata*
 Black Tern *Chlidonias niger*
 Black Skimmer *Rynchops niger*
- Rock Dove *Columba livia*
 Band-tailed Pigeon (P) *Columba fasciata*
 Eurasian Collared Dove *Streptopelia decaocto*
 Mourning Dove *Zenaidura macroura*
 Passenger Pigeon (X) *Ectopistes migratorius*
 Common Ground-Dove *Columbina passerina*
- Carolina Parakeet (X) *Conuropsis carolinensis*
- Black-billed Cuckoo *Coccyzus erythrophthalmus*
 Yellow-billed Cuckoo *Coccyzus americanus*
 Groove-billed Ani *Crotophaga sulcirostris*
- Barn Owl *Tyto alba*
 Eastern Screech Owl *Otus asio*
 Great Horned Owl *Bubo virginianus*
 Snowy Owl *Nyctea scandiaca*
 Barred Owl *Strix varia*
 Long-eared Owl *Asio otus*
 Short-eared Owl *Asio flammeus*
 Northern Saw-whet Owl *Aegolius acadicus*
- Common Nighthawk *Chordeiles minor*
 Chuck-will's-widow *Caprimulgus carolinensis*
 Whip-poor-will *Caprimulgus vociferus*
- Chimney Swift *Chaetura pelagica*
- Ruby-throated Hummingbird
Archilochus colubris
 Black-chinned Hummingbird
Archilochus alexandri
 Anna's Hummingbird *Calypte anna*
 Calliope Hummingbird *Stellula calliope*
 Rufous Hummingbird *Selasphorus rufus*
 Allen's Hummingbird *Selasphorus sasin*
- Belted Kingfisher *Ceryle alcyon*
- Red-headed Woodpecker
Melanerpes erythrocephalus
 Red-bellied Woodpecker
Melanerpes carolinus
 Yellow-bellied Sapsucker *Sphyrapicus varius*
 Downy Woodpecker *Picoides pubescens*
 Hairy Woodpecker *Picoides villosus*
 Red-cockaded Woodpecker *Picoides borealis*
 Northern Flicker *Colaptes auratus*
 Pileated Woodpecker *Dryocopus pileatus*
- Olive-sided Flycatcher *Contopus cooperi*
 Eastern Wood-Pewee *Contopus virens*
 Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
Empidonax flaviventris
 Acadian Flycatcher *Empidonax virescens*
 Alder Flycatcher *Empidonax alnorum*
 Willow Flycatcher *Empidonax traillii*
 Least Flycatcher *Empidonax minimus*
 Eastern Phoebe *Sayornis phoebe*
 Say's Phoebe *Sayornis saya*
 Vermillion Flycatcher *Pyrocephalus rubinus*
 Ash-throated Flycatcher (P)
Myiarchus cinerascens
 Great Crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus crinitus*
 Variegated Flycatcher *Empidonax varius*
 Western Kingbird *Tyrannus verticalis*
 Eastern Kingbird *Tyrannus tyrannus*
 Scissor-tailed Flycatcher *Tyrannus forficatus*
- Loggerhead Shrike *Lanius ludovicianus*
 Northern Shrike *Lanius excubitor*
- White-eyed Vireo *Vireo griseus*
 Bell's Vireo *Vireo bellii*
 Yellow-throated Vireo *Vireo flavifrons*
 Blue-headed Vireo *Vireo solitarius*
 Warbling Vireo *Vireo gilvus*
 Philadelphia Vireo *Vireo philadelphicus*
 Red-eyed Vireo *Vireo olivaceus*
- Blue Jay *Cyanocitta cristata*
 American Crow *Corvus brachyrhynchos*
 Fish Crow *Corvus ossifragus*
 Common Raven *Corvus corax*
- Horned Lark *Eremophila alpestris*

- Purple Martin *Progne subis*
 Tree Swallow *Tachycineta bicolor*
 Violet-green Swallow (P) *Tachycineta thalassina*
 Northern Rough-winged Swallow
 Stelgidopteryx serripennis
 Bank Swallow *Riparia riparia*
 Cliff Swallow *Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*
 Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*
- Carolina Chickadee *Poecile carolinensis*
 Black-capped Chickadee *Poecile atricapillus*
 Tufted Titmouse *Baeolophus bicolor*
- Red-breasted Nuthatch *Sitta canadensis*
 White-breasted Nuthatch *Sitta carolinensis*
 Brown-headed Nuthatch *Sitta pusilla*
- Brown Creeper *Certhia americana*
- Rock Wren *Salpinctes obsoletus*
 Carolina Wren *Thryothorus ludovicianus*
 Bewick's Wren *Thryomanes bewickii*
 House Wren *Troglodytes aedon*
 Winter Wren *Troglodytes troglodytes*
 Sedge Wren *Cistothorus platensis*
 Marsh Wren *Cistothorus palustris*
- Golden-crowned Kinglet *Regulus satrapa*
 Ruby-crowned Kinglet *Regulus calendula*
- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher *Poliophtila caerulea*
- Eastern Bluebird *Sialia sialis*
 Veery *Catharus fuscescens*
 Gray-cheeked Thrush *Catharus minimus*
 Swainson's Thrush *Catharus ustulatus*
 Hermit Thrush *Catharus guttatus*
 Wood Thrush *Hylocichla mustelina*
 American Robin *Turdus migratorius*
 Varied Thrush *Ixoreus naevius*
- Gray Catbird *Dumetella carolinensis*
 Northern Mockingbird *Mimus polyglottos*
 Brown Thrasher *Toxostoma rufum*
- European Starling *Sturnus vulgaris*
- American Pipit *Anthus rubescens*
 Sprague's Pipit *Anthus spragueii*
- Cedar Waxwing *Bombycilla cedrorum*
- Blue-winged Warbler *Vermivora pinus*
 Golden-winged Warbler
 Vermivora chrysoptera
 Tennessee Warbler *Vermivora peregrina*
 Orange-crowned Warbler *Vermivora celata*
 Nashville Warbler *Vermivora ruficapilla*
 Northern Parula *Parula americana*
 Yellow Warbler *Dendroica petechia*
 Chestnut-sided Warbler
 Dendroica pensylvanica
 Magnolia Warbler *Dendroica magnolia*
 Cape May Warbler *Dendroica tigrina*
 Black-throated Blue Warbler
 Dendroica caerulescens
 Yellow-rumped Warbler *Dendroica coronata*
 Black-throated Gray Warbler
 Dendroica nigrescens
 Black-throated Green Warbler
 Dendroica virens
 Townsend's Warbler (P)
 Dendroica townsendi
 Blackburnian Warbler *Dendroica fusca*
 Yellow-throated Warbler *Dendroica dominica*
 Pine Warbler *Dendroica pinus*
 Kirtland's Warbler (P) *Dendroica kirtlandii*
 Prairie Warbler *Dendroica discolor*
 Palm Warbler *Dendroica palmarum*
 Bay-breasted Warbler *Dendroica castanea*
 Blackpoll Warbler *Dendroica striata*
 Cerulean Warbler *Dendroica cerulea*
 Black-and-white Warbler *Mniotilta varia*
 American Redstart *Setophaga ruticilla*
 Prothonotary Warbler *Protonotaria citrea*
 Worm-eating Warbler
 Helmitheros vermivorus
 Swainson's Warbler *Limnithlypis swainsonii*
 Ovenbird *Seiurus aurocapillus*
 Northern Waterthrush
 Seiurus noveboracensis
 Louisiana Waterthrush *Seiurus motacilla*
 Kentucky Warbler *Oporornis formosus*
 Connecticut Warbler *Oporornis agilis*
 Mourning Warbler *Oporornis philadelphia*
 Common Yellowthroat *Geothlypis trichas*
 Hooded Warbler *Wilsonia citrina*
 Wilson's Warbler *Wilsonia pusilla*
 Canada Warbler *Wilsonia canadensis*
 Yellow-breasted Chat *Icteria virens*

- Summer Tanager *Piranga rubra*
 Scarlet Tanager *Piranga olivacea*
 Western Tanager *Piranga ludoviciana*
- Green-tailed Towhee *Pipilo chlorurus*
 Spotted Towhee *Pipilo maculatus*
 Eastern Towhee *Pipilo erythrophthalmus*
 Bachman's Sparrow *Aimophila aestivalis*
 American Tree Sparrow *Spizella arborea*
 Chipping Sparrow *Spizella passerina*
 Clay-colored Sparrow *Spizella pallida*
 Field Sparrow *Spizella pusilla*
 Vesper Sparrow *Poocetes gramineus*
 Lark Sparrow *Chondestes grammacus*
 Lark Bunting *Calamospiza melanocorys*
 Savannah Sparrow *Passerculus sandwichensis*
 Grasshopper Sparrow
 Ammodramus savannarum
 Henslow's Sparrow *Ammodramus henslowii*
 LeConte's Sparrow *Ammodramus leconteii*
 Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow
 Ammodramus nelsoni
 Fox Sparrow *Passerella iliaca*
 Song Sparrow *Melospiza melodia*
 Lincoln's Sparrow *Melospiza lincolni*
 Swamp Sparrow *Melospiza georgiana*
 White-throated Sparrow
 Zonotrichia albicollis
 Harris' Sparrow *Zonotrichia querula*
 White-crowned Sparrow
 Zonotrichia leucophrys
 Dark-eyed Junco *Junco hyemalis*
 Lapland Longspur *Calcarius lapponicus*
 Smith's Longspur *Calcarius pictus*
 Snow Bunting *Plectrophenax nivalis*
- Northern Cardinal *Cardinalis cardinalis*
 Rose-breasted Grosbeak
 Pheucticus ludovicianus
 Black-headed Grosbeak
 Pheucticus melanocephalus
 Blue Grosbeak *Guiraca caerulea*
 Indigo Bunting *Passerina cyanea*
 Painted Bunting *Passerina ciris*
 Dickcissel *Spiza americana*
- Bobolink *Dolichonyx oryzivorus*
 Red-winged Blackbird *Agelaius phoeniceus*
 Eastern Meadowlark *Sturnella magna*
 Western Meadowlark *Sturnella neglecta*
 Yellow-headed Blackbird
 Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus
 Rusty Blackbird *Euphagus carolinus*
 Brewer's Blackbird *Euphagus cyanocephalus*
 Common Grackle *Quiscalus quiscula*
 Shiny Cowbird *Molothrus bonariensis*
 Brown-headed Cowbird *Molothrus ater*
 Orchard Oriole *Icterus spurius*
 Baltimore Oriole *Icterus galbula*
 Bullock's Oriole *Icterus bullockii*
- Pine Grosbeak (P) *Pinicola enucleator*
 Purple Finch *Carpodacus purpureus*
 House Finch *Carpodacus mexicanus*
 Red Crossbill *Loxia curvirostra*
 White-winged Crossbill *Loxia leucoptera*
 Common Redpoll *Carduelis flammea*
 Pine Siskin *Carduelis pinus*
 American Goldfinch *Carduelis tristis*
 Evening Grosbeak *Coccothraustes vespertinus*
 House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*

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