

Audubon Christmas Bird Count

Thank you for participating in the annual Haines Audubon Christmas Bird Count. It is an opportunity to enjoy a refreshing day outdoors and participate in an international effort to gather information about the abundance of birds. This is a vast scientific undertaking that sheds light on the health of the ecosystems on which the birds, and many other organisms including humans, depend. Birds can be ecological warning systems, or indicator species. It's the longest running citizen scientist survey in the world.

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Maps of the areas and reporting forms are at the Takshanuk Watershed Council, 425 Sawmill Rd, past the cemetery, (907) 766-3542. Once you have an area, let Stacie know. Please work within that area and check with counters doing the adjacent area so not to overlap.

In order to make this information as useful as possible, please enter the information below.

Names of participants: _____

Area Number: _____ Start time: _____ End Time _____

Count Name: (circle one) Haines Circle (AKHA) Chilkat Circle (AKCH)

Is this a feeder count? Yes No Is this Nocturnal birding? Yes No

Hours and Distance per person

By	Hours	Distance	By	Hours	Distance
Foot			Horseback		
Car			Motorboat		
Air			Canoe/Kayak		
ATV			Skis		
Bicycle			Snowmachine		
Dog Sled			Snowshoe		
Golfcart			Wheelchair		
Feeder count?			Nocturnal Birding?		

Temperature	min	max	Water	moving	still
Snow depth	min	max	Cloud cover	% am	pm
Wind Velocity	min	max	Rain	am	pm
Wind Direction			Snow	am	pm

Bird Check List for Audubon Christmas Bird Count, Haines AK

Below is a list of the winter resident birds found in the Chilkat Valley. The most commonly seen species are shown in **bold-faced** type. You can use this as a field checklist by making tick marks in the appropriate space for each individual of each species seen. If you see a large flock write in the number seen. The goal is to tabulate the total for each species seen during your field time. (Adapted from Birds of the Chilkat Valley by Dan Bertsch) [**Updated in 2023**]

Canada Goose
Trumpeter Swan
Mallard
Ring-necked Duck
Greater Scaup
Harlequin Duck
Surf Scoter
White-winged Scoter
Black Scoter
scoter sp.
Long-tailed Duck
Bufflehead
Common Goldeneye
Barrow's Goldeneye
goldeneye sp.
Hooded Merganser
Common Merganser
Red-breasted Merganser
merganser sp.
duck sp.
Willow Ptarmigan
Rock Ptarmigan
Sooty (Blue) Grouse
Spruce Grouse
Red-throated Loon
Pacific Loon
Common Loon
Yellow-billed Loon
loon sp.
Horned Grebe
Red-necked Grebe
grebe sp.
Double-crested Cormorant
Pelagic Cormorant
cormorant sp.
Great Blue Heron (Blue form)
Bald Eagle
Sharp-shinned Hawk
Northern Goshawk
Harlan's Hawk
Merlin
plover sp.
Western Sandpiper
Rock Sandpiper
Wilson's Snipe
Bonaparte's Gull
Mew Gull
Ring-billed Gull
Herring Gull
Thayer's Gull
Glaucous-winged Gull
Glaucous Gull
Black-legged Kittiwake
gull sp.
Common Murre
Pigeon Guillemot

Other sightings and notes

Marbled Murrelet
murrelet sp.
Alcid sp.
Rock Pigeon
Great Horned Owl
Snowy Owl
Boreal Owl
Northern saw-whet Owl
Barred Owl
Short-eared Owl
Great grey Owl
Northern Hawk Owl
Northern Pygmy-Owl
owl sp.
Rufous Hummingbird
Anna's Hummingbird
Hummingbird spp.
Belted Kingfisher
Red-breasted Sapsucker
Downy Woodpecker
Hairy Woodpecker
American Three-toed Woodpecker
woodpecker sp.
Northern Shrike
Gray Jay
Steller's Jay
Black-billed Magpie
Northwestern Crow
Common Raven
Black-capped Chickadee
Chestnut-backed Chickadee
Boreal Chickadee
chickadee sp.
Red-breasted Nuthatch
Brown Creeper
Winter Wren
Pacific Wren
American Dipper
Golden-crowned Kinglet
Northern Wheatear
American Robin
Varied Thrush
Bohemian Waxwing
Cedar Waxwing
American Tree Sparrow
Fox Sparrow
(Sooty) Fox Sparrow
Song Sparrow
Harris's Sparrow
Dark-eyed Junco
Snow Bunting
Pine Grosbeak
Red Crossbill
White-winged Crossbill
Common Redpoll
redpoll sp.
Pine Siskin