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Montana, Yellowstone, & the Grand Tetons Leaders: Gina Nichol and Steve Bird

SPECIES RECORDED - May/June 2007

	Species	Scientific Name	
1.	Canada Goose	Branta canadensis	Seen daily throughout the trip.
2.	Trumpeter Swan	Cygnus buccinator	Seen on 3 days in Jackson and a pair with cygnets at Red Rocks NWR
3.	Gadwall	Anas strepera	Seen on seven days in various ponds
4.	American Wigeon	Anas americana	Seen on eight days in various ponds
5.	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	Commonly seen throughout the trip
6.	Blue-winged Teal	Anas discors	Seen at Henry's Lake and on a pond off Highway 3 near Billings
7.	Cinnamon Teal	Anas cyanoptera	Seen on 5 days of the trip, close looks at the Jackson Visitors Center
8.	Northern Shoveler	Anas clypeata	Seen on 5 days with many close looks
9.	Northern Pintail	Anas acuta	Three at Hailstone NWR
10.	Green-winged Teal	Anas crecca	Seen at Jackson Visitors Center and on 5 days of the trip
11.	Canvasback	Aythya valisineria	See at Red Rocks NWR and Hailstone NWR
12.	Redhead	Aythya americana	Seen at Jackson Visitors Center and Hailstone NWR
13.	Ring-necked Duck	Aythya collaris	See at Jackson Visitors Center and Henry's Lake
14.	Greater Scaup	Aythya marila	Seen at the Fishing Bridge in Yellowstone
15.	Lesser Scaup	Aythya affinis	Commonly seen throughout the trip
16.	Harlequin Duck	Histrionicus histrionicus	A pair at the Yellowstone bridge and a very close pair near Soda Butte Creek picnic area
17.	Bufflehead	Bucephala albeola	Seen on 7 days mainly in Yellowstone
18.	Common Goldeneye	Bucephala clangula	One female at Floating Island Lake
19.	Barrow's Goldeneye	Bucephala islandica	Seen on 6 days at Yellowstone Lake, on the Yellowstone River and at the Fishing Bridge
20.	Common Merganser	Mergus merganser	Seen on the Yellowstone River on 5 days
21.	Ruddy Duck	Oxyura jamaicensis	Seen on 7 days in several different ponds
22.	Gray Partridge	Perdix perdix	Two seen along prairie roads near Billings
23.	Ruffed Grouse	Bonasa umbellus	Seen drumming on a log off Beartooth Highway and 2 seen along the road by the Northeast entrance to Yellowstone
24.	Wild Turkey	Meleagris gallopavo	2 seen in Rimrock area of Billings
25.	Common Loon	Gavia immer	One seen at Pelican Creek
26.	Pied-billed Grebe	Podilymbus podiceps	One at pond off road from Mammoth to Tower
27.	Red-necked Grebe	Podiceps grisegena	Seen at Henry's Lake displaying
28.	Eared Grebe	Podiceps nigricollis	200 seen on Henry's Lake and 60 at Hailstone NWR
29.	Western Grebe	Aechmophorus occidentalis	Pair at Fishing Bridge, some at Henry's Lake, Red Rocks, and Lake Elmo
30.	Clark's Grebe	Aechmophorus clarkii	One seen at Lake Elmo in Billings
31.	American White Pelican	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos	Seen on 6 days in lakes and rivers at Grand Teton and Yellowstone
32.	Double-crested	Phalacrocorax auritus	One at Pelican Creek and one at the Fishing Bridge in

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	Cormorant		Yellowstone
33.	Great Blue Heron	Ardea herodias	Seen on 7 days from Fishing Bridge, Fish Creek area and other locations
34.	Turkey Vulture	Cathartes aura	Several in Fish Creek Area at Wilson and Red Rocks and Billings
35.	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	Seen on 9 days of the trip including nests on poles along roads in Jackson area and a nice look down onto a nest at Tower
36.	Bald Eagle	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Seen on 9 days of the trip including a close, roadside nest near West Yellowstone
37.	Northern Harrier	Circus cyaneus	Seen on 5 days of the trip including Jackson Dam and over the prairies near Billings
38.	Swainson's Hawk	Buteo swainsoni	Seen on 4 days including a pair along Highway 89 and great views on road side poles in the prairie
39.	Red-tailed Hawk	Buteo jamaicensis	Seen every day throughout the trip
40.	Ferruginous Hawk	Buteo regalis	Seen on power poles in the prairie including a nest on one pole
41.	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos	4 birds including two seen at close range perched on power poles along side prairie roads
42.	American Kestrel	Falco sparverius	Seen on 9 days many on power lines and road side fence posts
43.	Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus	Seen on nest at Tower, two flybys at Jackson Dam and Pelican Creek
44.	Prairie Falcon	Falco mexicanus	Seen perched on canyon ledge at Tower and a flyby on the prairie
45.	Sora	Porzana carolina	Great, close looks at Jackson Visitors Center
46.	American Coot	Fulica americana	Seen on 7 days with a maximum of 100 at Red Rocks NWR
47.	Sandhill Crane	Grus canadensis	Seen on 6 days with very close views at the Elk Refuge in Jackson
48.	Killdeer	Charadrius vociferus	Seen on 5 days with a maximum of 4 on the prairie at a pond off Highway 3
49.	American Avocet	Recurvirostra americana	10 or more birds seen at prairie lakes
50.	Willet	Catoptrophorus semipalmatus	Seen at Hailstone NWR and along prairie roads near Billings
51.	Spotted Sandpiper	Actitis macularia	Seen on 9 days on stony river and lake edges
52.	Long-billed Curlew	Numenius americanus	Seen on 4 days with a flock of 10 birds in one prairie meadow
53.	Marbled Godwit	Limosa fedoa	Two pairs displaying in the prairie
54.	Wilson's Snipe	Gallinago delicata	Displaying at Pelican Creek
55.	Wilson's Phalarope	Phalaropus tricolor	Seen on three days in bright breeding plumage including Swan Lake and prairie ponds
56.	Red-necked Phalarope	Phalaropus lobatus	2 seen at Swan Lake in Yellowstone
57.	Franklin's Gull	Larus pipixcan	Seen on two days with at least 60 birds at Red Rocks NWR
58.	Ring-billed Gull	Larus delawarensis	Seen on 2 days at Henry's Lake and Hailstone NWR
59.	California Gull	Larus californicus	Seen on 4 days including a close, perched bird at Lehardy Rapids
60.	Forster's Tern	Sterna forsteri	One bird seen at Henry's Lake
61.	Rock Pigeon	Columba livia	Seen around Farm buildings on several days
62.	Mourning Dove	Zenaida macroura	Seen on 5 days including one on a nest in the prairie
63.	Great Horned Owl	Bubo virginianus	Seen on 6 days including two different nests with chicks – one at Mammoth and one at Tower.

64.	Burrowing Owl	Athene cunicularia	Seen on the prairie at close range on a post and in Black-tailed Prairie Dog towns.
65.	Great Gray Owl	Strix nebulosa	Excellent, close views of a bird perched on a wire and hunting in a field near Wilson, Wyoming
66.	Short-eared Owl	Asio flammeus	One quartering over fields in prairie
67.	Common Nighthawk	Chordeiles minor	Seen on 2 days and one seen perched on a branch in an aspen grove in the prairie.
68.	Chimney Swift		Seen in Billings flying above Rimrock
69.	White-throated	Aeronautes saxatalis	
	Swift		Seen on 3 days, best views on nesting cliff at Tower
70.	Calliope Hummingbird	Stellula calliope	2 birds on one day with male displaying in Teton Park
71.	Broad-tailed Hummingbird	Selasphorus platycercus	6 birds seen in Fish Creek area near Wilson and one at Dan Hartmann's in Silver Gate
72.	Belted Kingfisher	Ceryle alcyon	One seen flying over the Fishing Bridge
73.	Williamson's Sapsucker	Sphyrapicus thyroideus	One female seen at Pebble Creek in Yellowstone
74.	Red-naped Sapsucker	Sphyrapicus nuchalis	Seen on 3 days with close views at Targhee Pass, Willow Fishs, and on the Beartooth Highway
75.	Downy Woodpecker	Picoides pubescens	One bird seen at Two Moon Park in Billings
76.	Hairy Woodpecker	Picoides villosus	Seen on 4 days including with close views along the Beartooth Highway,
77.	Three-toed Woodpecker	Picoides dorsalis	Female seen near Teton Pass and One at Tower Falls
78.	Northern Flicker	Colaptes auratus	Seen almost everyday throughout the trip
79.	Olive-sided Flycatcher	Contopus cooperi	Seen on 2 days. One at Fish Creek Road near Wilson and two at Red Rocks NWR picnic area
80.	Western Wood- Pewee	Contopus sordidulus	Seen on 3 days. Red Rocks NWR picnic area, Pelican Creek and at wind break on the prairie
81.	Willow Flycatcher	Empidonax traillii	One seen singing at Red Rocks NWR picnic area
82.	Least Flycatcher	Empidonax minimus	Seen at Red Rocks NWR picnic area
83.	Hammond's Flycatcher	Empidonax hammondii	One building a nest at Undine Falls.
84.	Dusky Flycatcher	Empidonax oberholseri	One bird in tall firs at picnic area near Tower junction
85.	Say's Phoebe	Sayornis saya	At least 3 pairs in the prairie wind break areas
	Western Kingbird	Tyrannus verticalis	One bird perched on tree branch at wind break on prairie
87.	Eastern Kingbird	Tyrannus tyrannus	At least 12 seen during our day in the prairie
88.	Loggerhead Shrike	Lanius Iudovicianus	2 birds seen in windbreaks on the prairie
89.	Warbling Vireo	Vireo gilvus	Seen at Red Rocks NWR Picnic area and Two Moon Park in Billings
90.	Red-eyed Vireo	Vireo olivaceus	One singing in cottonwood at Two Moon Park in Billings
91.	Gray Jay	Perisoreus canadensis	Seen on 7 days of the trip, usually in pairs at roadside stops in Teton and Yellowstone parks
92.	Steller's Jay	Cyanocitta stelleri	Seen on 3 days. Close looks at Dan's feeders.
93.	Clark's Nutcracker	Nucifraga columbiana	Seen on 5 days often perched on tree tops. Pair at Jenny Lake were close and showed well
94.	American Magpie	Pica hudsonia	Commonly seen throughout the trip
94. 95.	American Crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos	Commonly seen throughout the trip
96.	Common Raven	Corvus corax	Seen everyday
90. 97.	Horned Lark	Eremophila alpestris	Common in the prairie
98.	Tree Swallow	Tachycineta bicolor	Seen on 9 days in open areas and on nest boxes at Elk Refuge

99.	Violet-green Swallow	Tachycineta thalassina	Seen well at Jackson Visitor Center and on 7 days of the trip
100	Northern Rough- winged Swallow	Stelgidopteryx serripennis	Seen on 3 days of the trip often flying over small ponds
101		Petrochelidon pyrrhonota	Commonly seen in large numbers around bridges, rivers, and wet areas
102	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	Seen on 7 days.
103	Black-capped Chickadee	Poecile atricapillus	Seen at Mammoth in trees near visitor center and Two Moon Park in Billings
104	Mountain Chickadee	Poecile gambeli	Seen on 5 days. Best views at Dan's feeders
105	Red-breasted Nuthatch	Sitta canadensis	Seen on 6 days with close views on top of Signal Mountain
106	Rock Wren	Salpinctes obsoletus	One seen well at Miller Butte in Jackson
107	Canyon Wren	Catherpes mexicanus	One seen with Helen at Canyon Creek
108	House Wren	Troglodytes aedon	Seen on 2 days. One near parking lot at Two Moon Park and one in aspen grove on Beartooth Highway
109	American Dipper	Cinclus mexicanus	One seen at Gibbon Falls and one in Hayden Valley on river.
110	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Regulus calendula	Seen on 7 days and heard nearly every day. Incredible views of displaying bird showing red crown at Colter Bay picnic area.
111	Mountain Bluebird	Sialia currucoides	Seen well in Jackson area and on 7 days. A pair at a nest box at Antelope Flats gave excellent views
112	Swainson's Thrush	Catharus ustulatus	A pair seen well at Two Moon Park in Billings
113	Hermit Thrush	Catharus guttatus	Seen well near pond along Beartooth Highway
114	American Robin	Turdus migratorius	Seen everyday. Very common.
115	Sage Thrasher	Oreoscoptes montanus	Seen on 2 days at Antelope Flats
116	European Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	Seen on 8 days in aspen groves and open areas
117	American Pipit	Anthus rubescens	A flock of 30 seen in the sagebrush coming out of the Jenny Lake Visitors Center. Also seen on a roadside stop near Top of the World and several seen at Beartooth Pass on the snow
118	Cedar Waxwing	Bombycilla cedrorum	Seen on 4 days. Best views of perched birds at Red Rocks NWR picnic area
119	Yellow Warbler	Dendroica petechia	The most common warbler. Seen on 7 days and heard almost every day
120	Yellow-rumped Warbler	Dendroica coronata	"Audubon's" race seen on 9 days mainly in tall pines.
121	American Redstart	Setophaga ruticilla	Two males and a female seen at Two Moon Park in Billings
122	MacGillivray's Warbler	Oporornis tolmiei	One bird seen well 2 days at Tower Falls. Others heard only along Beartooth Highway
123	Common Yellowthroat	Geothlypis trichas	Seen on 2 days. Best views at Jackson Visitor Center
124	Yellow-breasted Chat	Icteria virens	Great views at Two Moon Park in Billings
125	Western Tanager	Piranga ludoviciana	Seen very well at Signal Mountain in trees around parking area
126	Green-tailed Towhee	Pipilo chlorurus	Seen very well at Fish Creek area near Wilson.
127		Spizella passerina	Seen on 10 days in woodland areas
	Clay-colored Sparrow	Spizella pallida	Seen near Broadview perched on fence

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129	Brewer's Sparrow	Spizella breweri	At least 6 birds seen well at Antelope Flats
130	Vesper Sparrow	Pooecetes gramineus	Seen on 4 days in various grassland habitats and Antelope Flats
131	Lark Sparrow	Chondestes grammacus	Seen well perched on a farm fence in the prairie
132	Lark Bunting	Calamospiza melanocorys	At least 50 birds with many males displaying on the prairie
133	Savannah Sparrow	Passerculus sandwichensis	Seen on 4 days, especially well at Antelope Flats
134	Fox Sparrow	Passerella iliaca	One seen at the Red Rocks NWR Picnic area
135	Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia	Seen on 5 days, often singing in open areas
136	Lincoln's Sparrow	Melospiza lincolnii	Seen on 4 days including Willow Flats and Colter Bay picnic area
137	Swamp Sparrow	Melospiza georgiana	Seen well at Willow Flats
138	White-crowned Sparrow	Zonotrichia Ieucophrys	Seen on 6 days and particularly well at feeders at Alpine Inn in Cooke City,
139	Dark-eyed Junco	Junco hyemalis	Many "Pink-sided" birds seen on 9 days of the trip
140	Chestnut-collared Longspur	Calcarius ornatus	At least 10 birds seen very well in the prairies including a pair on the road in front of us
141	McCown's Longspur	Calcarius mccownii	At least 4 birds seen including males in flight display and one male perched close on a fence
142	Black-headed	Pheucticus	Seen on 3 days, very well Fish Creek near Wilson, Red
	Grosbeak	melanocephalus	Rocks NWR picnic area, and Two Moon Park in Billings
143	Lazuli Bunting	Passerina amoena	A pair seen very well at the 45 th parallel bridge area in Yellowstone
144	Red-winged Blackbird	Agelaius phoeniceus	Seen on 9 days in most reedbed and wetland areas
145	Western Meadowlark	Sturnella neglecta	Seen on 7 days and very common in the prairies
146	Yellow-headed Blackbird	Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus	Seen on 6 days. Best views at Jackson Visitors Center
147	Brewer's Blackbird	Euphagus cyanocephalus	Seen around Jackson area
148	Common Grackle	Quiscalus quiscula	Seen on most days
149	Brown-headed Cowbird	Molothrus ater	Seen on most days, often on the backs of Bison
150	Bullock's Oriole	lcterus bullockii	Seen at Fish Creek near Wilson and in one wind break on the prairie
151	Black Rosy-Finch	Leucosticte atrata	Several seen at Beartooth Pass and at least 40 seen at Dan's feeders one snowy morning
152	Pine Grosbeak	Pinicola enucleator	One female seen at Dan's feeder and a male heard singing at Dunranven Pass
153	Cassin's Finch	Carpodacus cassinii	Seen on 9 days. Common around human habitation
	House Finch	Carpodacus mexicanus	Seen at Helen's feeder in Billings
	Red Crossbill	Loxia curvirostra	Seen at Fish Creek and on Teton Pass
	Pine Siskin	Carduelis pinus	Seen everyday except Billings
157	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	Seen often near human habitations
	MAMMALS		
1.	Black Bear	Ursus americanus	8 seen including Rosie between Tower Falls and Tower Junction and two cubs
2.	Grizzly Bear	Ursus arctos	5 seen in Yellowstone including one with cub in Lamar

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			Valley
3.	Coyote	Canis latrans	6 pups with parents seen at a den in Lamar Valley and others seen on two other days
4.	Gray Wolf	Canis lupus	6 seen – 3 light and 3 dark wolves of the Agate pack seen on way up to Mount Washburn
5.	Red Fox	Vulpes vulpes macroura	"Mountain" fox seen on snowy morning along the Beartooth Highway and again while traveling up to Beartooth pass
6.	Black-tailed Prairie Dog	Cynomys Iudovicianus	Several Prairie Dog towns with hundreds seen on our day in the prairies
7.	Snowshoe Hare	Lepus americanus	One below Dan's feeders
8.	Desert Cottontail	Sylvilagus audubonii	Seen at Gardiner near north park entrance and on prairie.
9.	Yellow-bellied Marmot	Marmota flaviventris	Seen on 4 days with great views at Floating Island Lake, Canyon Creek, and on the way up Beartooth Highway
10.	Uintah Ground Squirrel	Spermophilus armatus	Seen on at least 5 days and very common in appropriate habitats
11.	Wyoming Ground Squirrel	Spermophilus elegans	Seen well near burrows up toward Teton Pass
12.	Richardson's Ground Squirrel	Spermophilus richardsonii	Many seen on our prairie day
13.	Red Squirrel	Tamiasciurus hudsonicus	Seen around pine forests and well at Dan's feeder and Colter Bay picnic area
14.	Least Chipmunk	Tamias minimus	Seen at Dan's feeder
15.	Yellow-pine Chipmunk	Tamias amoenus	Seen at Colter Bay picnic area
16.	Pronghorn	Antilocapra americana	Seen on most days in open sage brush and field areas
17.	Mule Deer	Odocoileus hemionus	Seen on 7 days often in evergreen forests and some very close to the road
18.	White-tailed Deer	Odocoileus virginianus	Seen well in Billings area
19.	American Elk	Cervus elaphus	Seen on 8 days in many locations in Yellowstone and the Tetons
20.	Moose	Alces alces	Seen on 4 days. Highlights include a young moose and cow in Lamar Valley, 3 in riparian area between Silver Gate and Cooke City, and one feeding on meusli in a yard in Silver Gate
21.	Bison	Bison bison	Seen on 9 days up to 500 in one day. Many calves in the herds and some good bison jams!
22.	Bighorn Sheep	Ovis canadensis	Females and young above the 45 th Parallel Bridge and two large rams near the Yellowstone River bridge in the Lamar area.
23.	Mountain Goat	Oreamnos americanus	One nice male seen on a far hillside from the Hoodoos near Mammoth.
24.	River Otter	Lutra Canadensis	Seen at the Fishing Bridge and swimming in the river in the Hayden Valley
25.	Muskrat	Ondatra zibethicus	Seen at Pelican Creek
26.	Badger	Taxidea taxus	Two sightings! One at Henry's Lake and one in the Lamar Valley.
27.	Beaver	Castor canadensis	One seen feeding in a small pond in the Lamar Valley
1.	Gopher Snake		One large one seen in Mammoth area