## **Skagway - Skagway River Species Checklist**

ALASKA BIRDING TRAIL

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## Seasons:

Spring: March–May

Summer: June and July

Fall: August–November

Winter: December–February

## Frequency Classification:

C = Common: Occurs in essentially all suitable habitats during appropriate seasons, with certain species at times abundant; species should be easy to find.

F = Fairly common: Occurs in some or most suitable habitats during appropriate seasons, but less abundant and at times few in number; species often found.

U = Uncommon: Occurs in relatively small numbers; species not observed regularly even in proper habitats.

R = Rare: Either found in restricted habitat, or occurs most years in small numbers; species difficult to find.

V = Very Rare: A species beyond its normal range that may occur intermittently and in very small numbers.

+ = Accidental: Only one or two historical records to date.

Guild	Species	Sp Su Fa Wi
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ American Wigeon*	CUCU
Swans, Geese, Ducks	☐ Barrow's Goldeneye*	$C \ U \ C \ C$
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Blue-winged Teal*	U U U –
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Bufflehead	C V C C
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Canada Goose*	CFCF
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Canvasback	RVRV
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Cinnamon Teal	R R – –
Swans, Geese, Ducks	☐ Common Goldeneye*	FRFF
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Common Merganser*	CFCF
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Eurasian Wigeon	R V V V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Gadwall*	URUR
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Greater Scaup*	CRCF
Swans, Geese, Ducks	☐ Green-winged Teal*	$C \ U \ C \ U$
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Harlequin Duck*	FFFF
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Hooded Merganser*	$U \; R \; U \; U$
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Lesser Scaup*	FRFR
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Mallard*	C $C$ $C$ $C$
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Northern Pintail*	$C \ U \ C \ U$
Swans, Geese, Ducks	☐ Northern Shoveler*	F U F V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Red-breasted Merganser*	F U F F
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Redhead*	RVRV
Swans, Geese, Ducks	☐ Ring-necked Duck*	$U \; R \; U \; R$
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Trumpeter Swan*	$U \; R \; U \; U$
Swans, Geese, Ducks	□ Tundra Swan	U – U V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	☐ Wood Duck	V + V V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	☐ American Black Duck	+ +

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Swans, Geese, Ducks	Black Scoter	U	R	U	U
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Brant (Black)	U	R	R	V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Cackling Goose	U	V	U	V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Common Eider*	V	V	V	V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Emperor Goose	V	+	+	+
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Greater White-fronted Goose	F	V	U	V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	King Eider	V	+	+	V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Long-tailed Duck*	F	R	F	С
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Ruddy Duck	+	_	V	+
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Snow Goose	U	+	U	+
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Steller's Eider	V	+	V	V
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Surf Scoter	С	F	С	С
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Tufted Duck	_	_	+	+
Swans, Geese, Ducks	White-winged Scoter	С	F	С	С
Swans, Geese, Ducks	Ross's Goose	+	_	_	_
Loons	Common Loon*	F	U	F	U
Loons	Red-throated Loon*	F	F	F	R
Loons	Pacific Loon	С	U	F	F
Loons	Yellow-billed Loon	U	R	U	U
Grebes	Pied-billed Grebe*	V	+	R	V
Grebes	Eared Grebe	+	_	_	_
Grebes	Horned Grebe	F	V	F	F
Grebes	Red-necked Grebe*	F	R	F	F
Grebes	Western Grebe	U	V	U	U
Albatrosses	Black-footed Albatross	F	F	F	_
Albatrosses	Laysan Albatross	R	V	+	_
Albatrosses	Short-tailed Albatross	+	_	_	_
Shearwaters, etc.	Buller's Shearwater	R	R	R	_
Shearwaters, etc.	Manx Shearwater	+	+	+	_
Shearwaters, etc.	Mottled Petrel	R	R	R	_
Shearwaters, etc.	Northern Fulmar	U	U	U	U
Shearwaters, etc.	Pink-footed Shearwater	R	R	R	_
Shearwaters, etc.	Short-tailed Shearwater	R	R	R	_
Shearwaters, etc.	Sooty Shearwater	С	С	С	_
Storm-Petrels	Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel*	С	С	С	R
Storm-Petrels	Leach's Storm-Petrel*	U	F	F	+
Pelicans	American White Pelican	_	+	_	_
Pelicans	Brown Pelican	+	_	+	+
Cormorants	Double-crested Cormorant*	U	R	U	U
Cormorants	Brandt's Cormorant*	R	R	R	R

Cormorants	Pelagic Cormorant*	С	F	С	С	
Cormorants	Red-faced Cormorant	_	_	_	+	
Frigatebirds	Magnificent Frigatebird	_	_	+	_	
Herons, Bitterns	American Bittern*	V	R	V	_	
Herons, Bitterns	Black-crowned Night-Heron	+	+	_	_	
Herons, Bitterns	Great Blue Heron*	F	F	F	U	
Herons, Bitterns	Cattle Egret	_	_	V	+	
Herons, Bitterns	Great Egret	+	+	+	+	
Herons, Bitterns	Tricolored Heron	+	_	_	_	
Hawks, Eagles, etc.	Bald Eagle*	С	С	С	С	
Hawks, Eagles, etc.	Osprey*	R	R	R	_	
Hawks, Eagles, etc.	Steller's Sea-Eagle	+	+	+	+	
Hawks, Eagles, etc.	Northern Harrier*	U	V	U	V	
Hawks, Eagles, etc.	Rough-legged Hawk	R	+	R	V	
Hawks, Eagles, etc.	Sharp-shinned Hawk*	F	U	F	R	
Falcons	American Kestrel*	U	V	U	V	
Falcons	Gyrfalcon	V	_	V	V	
Falcons	Merlin*	U	R	U	R	
Falcons	Peregrine Falcon*	R	R	R	V	
Rails, Coots	American Coot	R	+	R	R	
Rails, Coots	Sora*	R	R	R	+	
Cranes	Sandhill Crane*	U	R	U	V	
Plovers	American Golden-Plover	U	R	U	_	
Plovers	Black-bellied Plover	F	R	F	+	
Plovers	European Golden-Plover	_	_	_	+	
Plovers	Killdeer*	U	U	U	R	
Plovers	Pacific Golden-Plover	U	_	U	_	
Plovers	Semipalmated Plover*	F	F	F	+	
Oystercatchers	Black Oystercatcher*	U	U	U	R	
Avocets	American Avocet	_	+	_	_	
Sandpipers	Greater Yellowlegs*	С	F	С	V	
Sandpipers	Lesser Yellowlegs*	U	U	F	_	
Sandpipers	Red-necked Phalarope*	С	U	С	+	
Sandpipers	Solitary Sandpiper*	R	R	R	_	
Sandpipers	Spotted Sandpiper*	F	F	F	+	
Sandpipers	Wilson's Phalarope	V	V	V	_	
Sandpipers	Red Phalarope	R	V	R	+	
Sandpipers	Baird's Sandpiper	U	R	U	_	
Sandpipers	Bar-tailed Godwit	V	+	V	_	
Sandpipers	Black Turnstone	F	R	F	F	

Sandpipers	Bristle-thighed Curlew	+	_	_	_
Sandpipers	Buff-breasted sandpiper	+	_	V	_
Sandpipers	Curlew Sandpiper	+	_	+	_
Sandpipers	Dunlin	С	+	U	U
Sandpipers	Hudsonian Godwit	R	R	V	_
Sandpipers	Least Sandpiper*	С	U	С	_
Sandpipers	Long-billed Dowitcher	U	R	U	+
Sandpipers	Long-toed Stint	+	_	_	_
Sandpipers	Marbled Godwit	R	+	V	_
Sandpipers	Pectoral Sandpiper	F	R	F	_
Sandpipers	Red Knot	R	+	V	_
Sandpipers	Red-necked Stint	_	+	+	_
Sandpipers	Rock Sandpiper	F	+	F	F
Sandpipers	Ruddy Turnstone	F	U	F	_
Sandpipers	Ruff	V	_	V	_
Sandpipers	Sanderling	U	R	U	R
Sandpipers	Semipalmated Sandpiper	U	R	U	_
Sandpipers	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	V	_	R	_
Sandpipers	Short-billed Dowitcher*	F	R	F	_
Sandpipers	Stilt Sandpiper	V	V	R	_
Sandpipers	Surfbird	U	R	U	R
Sandpipers	Wandering Tattler	U	U	U	_
Sandpipers	Western Sandpiper	С	U	С	_
Sandpipers	Whimbrel	U	R	U	_
Sandpipers	White-rumped Sandpiper	+	+	+	_
Sandpipers	Wilson's Snipe*	F	F	F	R
Gulls, Terns	Aleutian Tern*	R	R	+	_
Gulls, Terns	Arctic Tern*	F	F	F	_
Gulls, Terns	Bonaparte's Gull*	С	F	С	V
Gulls, Terns	Glaucous Gull	R	V	R	R
Gulls, Terns	Glaucous-winged Gull*	С	С	С	С
Gulls, Terns	Herring Gull*	С	F	С	F
Gulls, Terns	Mew Gull*	С	С	С	С
Gulls, Terns	Ring-billed Gull	R	R	R	V
Gulls, Terns	Black Tern	+	_	+	_
Gulls, Terns	Black-headed Gull	_	+	+	_
Gulls, Terns	Black-legged Kittiwake*	F	U	F	R
Gulls, Terns	Black-tailed Gull	_	+	+	_
Gulls, Terns	California Gull	R	R	U	+
Gulls, Terns	Caspian Tern*	R	R	R	_
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Gulls, Terns	Franklin's Gull	+	V	V	_
Gulls, Terns	Heermann's Gull	_	_	V	_
Gulls, Terns	Ivory Gull	_	+	+	_
Gulls, Terns	Lesser Black-backed Gull	+	+	+	+
Gulls, Terns	Little Gull	V	_	+	_
Gulls, Terns	Ross's Gull	_	_	+	_
Gulls, Terns	Sabine's Gull	R	V	R	_
Gulls, Terns	Slaty-backed Gull	V	_	V	V
Gulls, Terns	Thayer's Gull	F	R	F	U
Gulls, Terns	Western Gull	V	+	R	V
Jaegers	Parasitic Jaeger*	U	U	U	_
Jaegers	Long-tailed Jaeger	R	R	R	_
Jaegers	Pomarine Jaeger	V	R	U	_
Jaegers	South Polar Skua	_	+	+	_
Alcids	Ancient Murrelet*	F	F	F	U
Alcids	Cassin's Auklet*	U	U	U	U
Alcids	Common Murre*	С	F	С	С
Alcids	Horned Puffin*	R	R	R	V
Alcids	Kittlitz's Murrelet*	F	F	U	V
Alcids	Pigeon Guillemot*	С	С	U	U
Alcids	Rhinoceros Auklet*	F	F	F	V
Alcids	Thick-billed Murre*	R	R	R	R
Alcids	Tufted Puffin*	U	U	U	V
Alcids	Marbled Murrelet*	С	С	С	С
Alcids	Parakeet Auklet*	R	+	+	+
Pigeons, Doves	Mourning Dove	V	V	R	+
Pigeons, Doves	Rock Pigeon*	F	F	F	F
Owls	Short-eared Owl*	U	V	F	R
Owls	Snowy Owl	+	_	V	V
Nighthawks	Common Nighthawk*	_	R	R	_
Swifts	Black Swift*	+	R	R	_
Swifts	Vaux's Swift*	U	U	U	_
Kingfishers	Belted Kingfisher*	F	F	F	F
Flycatchers	Eastern Kingbird	_	V	V	_
Flycatchers	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	_	V	_	_
Flycatchers	Western Kingbird	+	V	+	_
Shrikes	Northern Shrike	U	_	U	R
Jays, Crows	American Crow*	R	R	R	R
Jays, Crows	Black-billed Magpie*	U	R	F	F
Jays, Crows	Common Raven*	С	С	С	С

Jays, Crows	Northwestern Crow*	С	С	С	С
Larks	Horned Lark	R	V	R	V
Swallows	Bank Swallow*	U	U	U	_
Swallows	Barn Swallow*	F	F	F	_
Swallows	Cliff Swallow*	R	R	R	_
Swallows	Northern Rough-winged Swallow*	R	R	V	_
Swallows	Tree Swallow*	F	F	F	_
Swallows	Violet-green Swallow*	F	U	U	_
Wrens	Winter Wren*	С	С	С	U
Dippers	American Dipper*	F	F	F	F
Thrushes	American Robin*	С	С	С	R
Thrushes	Mountain Bluebird	R	V	V	V
Thrushes	Northern Wheatear	+	_	V	_
Starlings	European Starling*	U	U	U	U
Wagtails, Pipits	American Pipit*	С	F	С	V
Wagtails, Pipits	Eastern Yellow Wagtail	_	+	+	_
Wagtails, Pipits	Red-throated Pipit	_	_	V	_
Wagtails, Pipits	White Wagtail	+	+	+	+
Sparrows	American Tree Sparrow	U	+	U	R
Sparrows	Dark-eyed Junco - Oregon*	С	С	С	С
Sparrows	Dark-eyed Junco - Slate-colored*	U	V	U	F
Sparrows	Lapland Longspur	U	_	U	V
Sparrows	Lincoln's Sparrow*	С	С	С	R
Sparrows	McKay's Bunting	_	_	_	+
Sparrows	Savannah Sparrow*	С	С	С	V
Sparrows	Smith's Longspur	+	_	V	_
Sparrows	Snow Bunting*	U	R	U	U
Sparrows	Song Sparrow*	F	F	F	U
Sparrows	Vesper Sparrow	_	+	_	_
Blackbirds	Brown-headed Cowbird*	R	R	R	+
Blackbirds	Red-winged Blackbird*	U	U	U	V
Blackbirds	Rusty Blackbird*	U	R	U	R
Finches	Brambling	V	_	V	V
Finches	Common Redpoll*	F	U	F	F
Finches	Gray-crowned Rosy Finch*	U	U	U	R
Finches	Hoary Redpoll	V	-	_	R

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