

# Birds for Every Level

While adding to your list, be sure to take time to observe behavior, variations in plumage (males from females to start with), songs and calls, flight patterns, and habitat selection. Keep your guide handy to confer with as you make your observations. Adding these skills will not only enhance your birding experience but increase your confidence in your ability to distinguish the different species.

## First Dozen

- Blue Jay
- Northern Cardinal
- Canada Goose
- Red-winged Blackbird
- Black-capped Chickadee
- American Robin
- Wild Turkey
- White-breasted Nuthatch
- American Goldfinch
- Phoebe
- Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- American Crow

## Second Dozen

- Red-tailed hawk
- Pileated woodpecker
- Song Sparrow
- Red-eyed Vireo
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
- Broad-winged Hawk
- White-throated Sparrow
- Red-breasted Nuthatch
- Downy Woodpecker
- Eastern Bluebird
- Common Raven
- Mourning Dove

## Third Dozen

- Great Blue Heron
- Chestnut-sided Warbler
- American Redstart
- Common Loon
- Yellow Warbler
- Common Yellowthroat
- American Kestrel
- Tufted Titmouse
- Cedar Waxwing
- Eastern Mallard
- Barred Owl
- Veery

## Fourth Dozen Plus 2

- Turkey Vulture
- Bald Eagle
- Common Merganser
- Cooper's Hawk
- Hermit Thrush (Vermont State Bird!)
- Scarlet Tanager
- Bobolink
- Ovenbird
- Ruffed Grouse
- Great-horned Owl
- Black-throated Green Warbler
- Indigo Bunting
- Wood Thrush
- Eastern Wood Pewee

