Key To Bird Identification For Each Month

January – Snow Geese (both morphs), Fulvous Whistling-ducks, Red-breasted Mergansers, Canada Goose, White-fronted Goose, Wood Duck, Northern Shoveler, Canvasback, Green-winged Teal, Bufflehead, Ring-necked Duck, Blue-winged Teal, American Wigeon, Lesser Scaup, Hooded Merganser, Ruddy Duck, Mallard, Redhead, Northern Pintail, Greater Scaup, Common Goldeneye, Mottled Duck and Gadwell

March - (Distant flock) Black Skimmers, Laughing Gulls, a few Caspian Terns, Black Skimmer, Greater Yellowlegs, American Avocets (summer and winter), Dunlins, Piping Plover, Snowy Plover, Short-billed Dowitchers, Black Tern, Caspian Tern, Royal Tern, Wilson's Plover and Black-necked Stilt

Stilt

April – Orchard Oriole, Painted Bunting, Baltimore Oriole, Scarlet Tanager, Indigo Bunting, Summer Tanager, Blue Grosbeak, Magnolia Warbler, Hooded Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, Rose-breasted Grosbeak and Yellow Warbler – all are males

July – Willet, Brown Pelicans, Black-bellied Plover, Least Terns, Royal Terns, Sandering, Sandwich Tern and Willet Laughing Gull, Ring-billed Gull, Herring Gull and Black-bellied Plover

August – Blue-winged Teal, Marsh Wren, Mottled Duck, White Ibis, Clapper Rail, American Bittern, Seaside Sparrow, Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow, Willet and Gulf Salt Marsh Snake

September – Turkey Vulture, Red-tailed Hawk, White-tailed Hawk (adult and immature), Osprey, Peregrine, Northern Harrier (adult and immature), Merlin, American Kestrels and White-tailed Kite

November – Roseate Spoonbill, White Ibis (adult and immature), Reddish Egrets (light and dark), Great Blue Heron, Green Heron, Little Blue Heron, Clapper Rail, Tri-colored Heron, Snowy Egret and Great Egret

December – Brown Pelican (adult and immature), Double-crested Cormorant, Magnificent Frigatebird, Foster's Tern, Common Loon, Eared Grebe (winter), Lesser Scaup (male), Yellow-crowned Night-heron, Neotropic Cormorant and Black-crowned Night-heron

Teal