

Species When Where

STARLINGS

__European Starling (b) (i) Y TF,UP

WOOD WARBLERS

__Orange-crowned Warbler W FW
 __Yellow-rumped Warbler W TF,UP
 __Common Yellowthroat (b) Y TF
 __Wilson's Warbler S,F UP

SPARROWS

__California (Brown) Towhee Y UP
 __Savannah Sparrow,
 Belding's (b) Y TF,SM
 __Savannah Sparrow,
 (other sub-species) W UP
 __Song Sparrow (b) Y FW,UP
 __Lincoln's Sparrow W FW,UP
 __Golden-crowned Sparrow W UP
 __White-crowned Sparrow W UP

BLACKBIRDS & ORIOLES

__Red-winged Blackbird (b) Y FW
 __Western Meadowlark (b) Y UP
 __Brewer's Blackbird (b) Y UP
 __Brown-headed Cowbird (b) Y UP
 __Hooded Oriole SU UP

FINCHES

__House Finch (b) (i) Y UP

WEAVER FINCHES

__House Sparrow (b) Y UP

LEGEND

OW = Open water TF = Tide flats SM = Salt marsh,
 Fw = Freshwater Marsh, Up = Uplands
 (b) Breeds at reserve or nearby, (i) introduced

S = spring (Mar - May) SU = summer (June - Aug)
 F = fall (Sep - Nov), W = winter (Dec - Feb)
 Y = all year

Rare or Endangered Species

Least Tern (*Sterna antillarum*)

Smallest member of the tern family, these birds are but a remnant of the population that once occurred along our Southern California beaches.



Belding's Savannah Sparrow

(*Paserculus sandwichensis beldingi*)

Nesting occurs in high marsh habitat around the edges of the bay and on the islands. The 1986 Upper Newport Bay population was estimated at 245 pairs.

Light-footed Clapper Rail

(*Rallus longirostrus livepes*)

In 1992, over 70% of the remaining U.S. population of this bird occurred and bred here at the Bay.



Brown Pelican

(*Pelicanua occidentalis*)

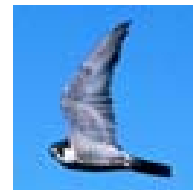
This bird lost much of its population due to eggshell thinning from the effects of DDT. Happily numbers are recovering.



Peregrine Falcon

(*Falco peregrinus*)

The fastest bird in the world, the peregrine falcon was another victim of DDT pollution.



Black Rail

(*Laterallus jamaicensis*)

Sightings of the black rail are rare. It is believed that the wetland restoration projects within the reserve have created additional habitat. Population status is currently unknown.

Common Birds

of

Upper Newport Bay

Naturalist Checklist



Including six rare or endangered species that use the Upper Bay at least part of the year



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GREBES		
__ Pied-billed Grebe (b)	W	OW
__ Eared Grebe	W	OW
__ Western Grebe	W	OW
__ Clark's Grebe	W	OW
PELICANS		
__ Brown Pelican	W	OW
__ White Pelican	W	OW
CORMORANTS		
__ Double-crested Cormorant	Y	OW
HERONS & BITTERNS		
__ Great Blue Heron	Y	TF,SM
__ Great Egret	Y	TF,SM
__ Snowy Egret	Y	TF,SM
__ Green-backed Heron	Y	TF,SM
__ Black-crowned Night-Heron	Y	FW,TF,SM
DUCKS		
__ Green-winged Teal	W	SM,TF
__ Mallard (b)	Y	SM,TF,FW
__ Northern Pintail	W	SM,TF
__ Blue-winged Teal	W	SM,TF,FW
__ Cinnamon Teal (b)	Y	SM,TF,FW
__ Northern Shoveler	W	SM,TF,FW
__ American Wigeon	W	SM,TF,FW
__ Canvasback	W	OW,FW
__ Lesser Scaup	W	OW
__ Surf Scoter	W	OW
__ Bufflehead	W	OW
__ Ruddy Duck	W,S	FW
GULLS & TERNS		
__ Ring-billed Gull	Y	OW,TF
__ California Gull	Y	OW,TF
__ Western Gull (b)	Y	OW,TF
__ Caspian Tern (b)	Y	OW,TF
__ Elegant Tern (b)	S	OW,TF
__ Forster's Tern (b)	Y	OW,TF
__ Least Tern, California (b)	S	OW,TF
SKIMMERS		
__ Black Skimmer (b)	Y	OW,TF

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RAILS & COOTS		
__ Clapper Rail, Light-footed (b)	Y	SM
__ Sora	W	SM,FW
__ American Coot (b)	Y	OW,SM,TF
PLOVERS		
__ Black-bellied Plover	Y	TF,SM
__ Semipalmated Plover	W	TF
__ Killdeer (b)	Y	TF
STILTS & AVOCETS		
__ American Avocet (b)	Y	TF
SANDPIPERS		
__ Willet	Y	FW,TF
__ Greater Yellowlegs	W	TF
__ Spotted Sandpiper	Y	FW,TF
__ Whimbrel	Y	FW,TF
__ Long-billed Curlew	Y	FW,TF
__ Marbled Godwit	W	TF
__ Dunlin	W	TF
__ Western Sandpiper	W	TF
__ Least Sandpiper	W	TF
__ Short-billed Dowitcher	W	TF
__ Long-billed Dowitcher	W	TF
VULTURES		
__ Turkey Vulture	Y	UP,SM
HAWKS		
__ Northern Harrier (b)	Y	SM,UP
__ Red-shouldered Hawk (b)	Y	SM,UP
__ Red-tailed Hawk (b)	Y	SM,UP
__ Osprey (b)	Y	SM
FALCONS		
__ American Kestrel (b)	Y	SM,UP
__ Peregrine Falcon	Y	SM,UP
__ Black Shouldered Kite	Y	SM,UP
OWLS		
__ Great Horned (b)	Y	UP
__ Common Barn Owl (b)	Y	UP

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SHRIKES		
__ Loggerhead Shrike (b)	Y	UP
PIGEONS & DOVES		
__ Rock Dove (b) (i)	Y	UP
__ Morning Dove (b)	Y	SM,UP
HUMMINGBIRDS		
__ Anna's Hummingbird (b)	Y	UP
SWIFTS		
__ White-throated Swift	Y	TF,SM
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS		
__ Black Phoebe (b)	Y	TF,SM
__ Say's Phoebe	W	SM,FW
SWALLOWS		
__ No. Rough-winged Swallow (b)	S	UP
__ Cliff Swallow (b)	S	UP
__ Barn Swallow (b)	S	FW
CROWS & JAYS		
__ American Crow (b)	Y	FW,UP
__ Common Raven (b)	Y	UP
BUSHTITS		
__ Bushtit (b)	Y	FW,UP
WRENS		
__ Marsh Wren (b)	Y	FW
KINGLETS, GNATCATCHERS & THRUSHES		
__ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	W	UP
__ California (Black-tailed)		
__ Gnatcatcher (b)	Y	UP
MOCKINGBIRDS		
__ Northern Mockingbird (b)	Y	UP
PIPITS		
__ American (Water) Pipit	W	TF

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