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This checklist contains 541 species of birds that have been recorded in Baja California Peninsula, Mexico.

The species list conforms to the American Ornithologists' Society (AOS), checklist order and nomenclature as of the 59th supplement published June 27, 2018.

Statuses are general and cover the entire peninsula, a species unexpected in southern Baja may occur with regularity in northern Baja or vice versa. For example, Tricolored Blackbird is regular in Baja California, but unrecorded in Baja California Sur, therefore Tricolored Blackbird is not considered rare for the peninsula.

* = Accidental, not to be expected, very few records.

= Very rare, generally less than annual, not unexpected

(int) = Introduced

(ex) = Extirpated or Extinct previously bred or presumed to have bred in Baja, but no longer occurs naturally. They may have been re-introduced but remain un-established.

Species or subspecies marked with an asterisk or pound sign (*, #) should be documented with photographs and or written details.

Documentation of unusual species should be sent to North American Birds regional editor, Baja Peninsula

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Observer(s) _____
1 Date _____ Time _____ Total Species _____
Weather _____
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- Dunlin
- Baird's Sandpiper
- Little Stint *
- Least Sandpiper
- Buff-breasted Sandpiper *
- Pectoral Sandpiper
- Semipalmated Sandpiper
- Western Sandpiper
- Short-billed Dowitcher
- Long-billed Dowitcher
- Wilson's Snipe
- Terek Sandpiper *
- Spotted Sandpiper
- Solitary Sandpiper
- Wandering Tattler
- Lesser Yellowlegs
- Willet
- Greater Yellowlegs
- Wood Sandpiper *
- Marsh Sandpiper *
- Wilson's Phalarope
- Red-necked Phalarope
- Red Phalarope

Stercorariidae - Jaegers

- South Polar Skua
- Pomarine Jaeger
- Parasitic Jaeger
- Long-tailed Jaeger

Alcidae - Murres and Auklets

- Common Murre #
- Pigeon Guillemot #
- Marbled Murrelet *
- Scripps's Murrelet
- Guadalupe Murrelet
- Craveri's Murrelet
- Ancient Murrelet *
- Cassin's Auklet
- Parakeet Auklet *
- Crested Auklet *
- Rhinoceros Auklet

Laridae - Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers

- Black-legged Kittiwake #
- Sabine's Gull
- Bonaparte's Gull

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- Fox Sparrow
- Song Sparrow
- Lincoln's Sparrow
- Swamp Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow
- Harris's Sparrow *
- White-crowned Sparrow
- Golden-crowned Sparrow
- Dark-eyed Junco
- Guadalupe Junco
- Baird's Junco

Icteriidae - Chats

- Yellow-breasted Chat

Icteridae - Blackbirds and allies

- Yellow-headed Blackbird
- Bobolink
- Eastern Meadowlark *
- Western Meadowlark
- Orchard Oriole
- Hooded Oriole
- Streak-backed Oriole *
- Bullock's Oriole
- Baltimore Oriole
- Scott's Oriole
- Red-winged Blackbird
- Tricolored Blackbird
- Bronzed Cowbird
- Brown-headed Cowbird
- Rusty Blackbird *
- Brewer's Blackbird
- Common Grackle *
- Great-tailed Grackle

Parulidae - Wood Warblers

- Ovenbird
- Worm-eating Warbler *
- Louisiana Waterthrush *
- Northern Waterthrush
- Golden-winged Warbler *
- Blue-winged Warbler *
- Black-and-white Warbler
- Prothonotary Warbler #
- Tennessee Warbler
- Orange-crowned Warbler
- Lucy's Warbler

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Motacillidae - Wagtails and Pipits

- Eastern Yellow Wagtail *
- White Wagtail *
- Olive-backed Pipit *
- Red-throated Pipit #
- American Pipit
- Sprague's Pipit *

Fringillidae - Finches and Goldfinches

- Evening Grosbeak *
- House Finch
- Purple Finch #
- Cassin's Finch
- Red Crossbill
- Pine Siskin
- Lesser Goldfinch
- Lawrence's Goldfinch
- American Goldfinch

Calcariidae - Longspurs and Snow Buntings

- Lapland Longspur #
- Chestnut-collared Longspur #
- McCown's Longspur *

Emberizidae - Old World Sparrows

- Little Bunting *

Passerellidae - New World Sparrows

- Green-tailed Towhee
- Spotted Towhee
- Rufous-crowned Sparrow
- California Towhee
- Abert's Towhee
- Cassin's Sparrow *
- Chipping Sparrow
- Clay-colored Sparrow
- Brewer's Sparrow
- Black-chinned Sparrow
- Vesper Sparrow
- Lark Sparrow
- Black-throated Sparrow
- Sagebrush Sparrow
- Bell's Sparrow
- Lark Bunting
- Savannah Sparrow
- Grasshopper Sparrow
- Nelson's Sparrow *

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- Laughing Gull
- Franklin's Gull
- Heermann's Gull
- Mew Gull
- Ring-billed Gull
- Western Gull
- Yellow-footed Gull
- California Gull
- Herring Gull
- Iceland Gull
- Lesser Black-backed Gull #
- Glaucous-winged Gull
- Glaucous Gull #
- Brown Noddy *
- White Tern *
- Sooty Tern
- Least Tern
- Gull-billed Tern
- Caspian Tern
- Black Tern
- Common Tern
- Arctic Tern
- Forster's Tern
- Royal Tern
- Sandwich Tern *
- Elegant Tern
- Black Skimmer

Phaethontidae - Tropicbirds

- Red-billed Tropicbird
- Red-tailed Tropicbird *

Gaviidae - Loons

- Red-throated Loon
- Arctic Loon *
- Pacific Loon
- Common Loon
- Yellow-billed Loon *

Diomedidae - Albatrosses

- Laysan Albatross
- Black-footed Albatross
- Short-tailed Albatross *

Oceanitidae - Southern Storm-Petrels

- Wilson's Storm-Petrel *

Hydrobatidae - Storm-Petrels

- Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel *

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- Leach's Storm-Petrel
- Townsend's Storm-Petrel
- Ainley's Storm-Petrel
- Ashy Storm-Petrel
- Wedge-rumped Storm-Petrel
- Black Storm-Petrel
- Guadalupe Storm-Petrel (ex)
- Least Storm-Petrel

Procellariidae - Shearwaters

- Northern Fulmar
- Kermadec Petrel *
- Juan Fernandez Petrel *
- Galapagos/Hawaiian Petrel *
- White-necked Petrel *
- Cook's Petrel
- Tahiti Petrel *
- Bulwer's Petrel *
- Cory's Shearwater *
- Wedge-tailed Shearwater
- Buller's Shearwater #
- Short-tailed Shearwater #
- Sooty Shearwater
- Pink-footed Shearwater
- Flesh-footed Shearwater #
- Christmas Shearwater
- Galapagos Shearwater *
- Manx Shearwater *
- Townsend's Shearwater #
- Black-vented Shearwater

Ciconiidae - Storks

- Wood Stork #

Fregatidae - Frigatebirds

- Magnificent Frigatebird
- Great Frigatebird *

Sulidae - Boobies

- Masked Booby
- Nazca Booby
- Blue-footed Booby
- Brown Booby
- Red-footed Booby

Phalacrocoracidae - Cormorants

- Brandt's Cormorant
- Neotropic Cormorant
- Double-crested Cormorant

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- California Gnatcatcher
 - Black-tailed Gnatcatcher
- Regulidae - Kinglets**
- Golden-crowned Kinglet #
 - Ruby-crowned Kinglet

Phylloscopidae - Leaf Warblers

- Dusky Warbler *
- Yellow-browed Warbler *
- Arctic/Kamchatka Leaf Warbler *

Sylviidae - Sylviid Warblers

- Wrenit

Muscicapidae - Old World Flycatchers

- Northern Wheatear *

Turdidae - Thrushes

- Western Bluebird
- Mountain Bluebird
- Townsend's Solitaire
- Gray-cheeked Thrush *
- Swainson's Thrush
- Hermit Thrush
- American Robin
- Varied Thrush #

Mimidae - Catbirds, Mockingbirds, and Thrashers

- Gray Catbird #
- Brown Thrasher *
- Bendire's Thrasher *
- Gray Thrasher
- California Thrasher
- LeConte's Thrasher
- Crissal Thrasher
- Sage Thrasher
- Northern Mockingbird

Sturnidae - Starlings

- European Starling (int)

Bombycillidae - Waxwings

- Cedar Waxwing

Ptilionotidae - Silky-flycatchers

- Phainopepla

Estrildidae - Waxbills

- Scaly-breasted Munia (int)

Passeridae - Old World Sparrows

- House Sparrow (int)

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Corvidae - Jays, Magpies, Crows, and Ravens

- Black-throated Magpie-Jay (int)
- Pinyon Jay
- Steller's Jay *
- California Scrub-Jay
- Clark's Nutcracker #
- American Crow
- Common Raven

Alaudidae - Larks

- Horned Lark

Hirundinidae - Swallows

- Purple Martin
- Tree Swallow
- Violet-green Swallow
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow
- Bank Swallow
- Cliff Swallow
- Cave Swallow *
- Barn Swallow

Paridae - Chickadees and Titmice

- Mountain Chickadee
- Oak Titmouse

Remizidae - Verdins

- Verdin

Aegithalidae - Bushtits

- Bushtit

Sittidae - Nuthatches

- Red-breasted Nuthatch #
- White-breasted Nuthatch
- Pygmy Nuthatch

Certhiidae - Creepers

- Brown Creeper *

Troglodytidae - Wrens

- Rock Wren
- Canyon Wren
- House Wren
- Pacific Wren *
- Marsh Wren
- Bewick's Wren
- Cactus Wren

Poliptilidae - Gnatcatchers

- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

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- Pelagic Cormorant

Pelecanidae - Pelicans

- American White Pelican
- Brown Pelican

Ardeidae - Bitterns, Herons, and Egrets

- American Bittern #
- Least Bittern
- Great Blue Heron
- Great Egret
- Snowy Egret
- Little Blue Heron
- Tricolored Heron
- Reddish Egret
- Cattle Egret
- Green Heron
- Black-crowned Night-Heron
- Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

Threskiornithidae - Ibises and Spoonbills

- White Ibis
- White-faced Ibis
- Roseate Spoonbill *

Cathartidae - New World Vultures

- Black Vulture *
- Turkey Vulture
- California Condor

Pandionidae - Osprey

- Osprey

Accipitridae - Kites, Eagles, and Hawks

- White-tailed Kite
- Swallow-tailed Kite *
- Golden Eagle
- Northern Harrier
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Cooper's Hawk
- Bald Eagle
- Mississippi Kite #
- Common Black Hawk *
- Harris's Hawk
- Gray Hawk *
- Red-shouldered Hawk
- Broad-winged Hawk
- Short-tailed Hawk *

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