

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

# Seedskadee

*National Wildlife  
Refuge*

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*Wildlife List*



## Welcome



*This goose, designed by J.N. "Ding" Darling, is the symbol of the National Wildlife Refuge System.*

SeedsKadee National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) was established in 1965 to make up for the loss of habitat resulting from the construction of the Flaming Gorge and Fontenelle dams. The name SeedsKadee originated from the Shoshone Indian word "Sisk-a-dee-agie" meaning "river of the prairie hen." This 27,230-acre Refuge protects a mosaic of riparian, wetland, and upland shrub habitats along 36 miles of the Green River in the vast high desert sagebrush plains of southwestern Wyoming. The variety of habitats, from wet to dry, supports an interesting diversity of wildlife.

Over 300 species of wildlife have been documented on SeedsKadee NWR. The Green River and adjoining riparian habitat provides an important migration route and nesting area for a wide variety of migratory waterfowl, such as the green-winged teal, and passerine bird species, like Wilson's warbler and the northern oriole. Bald eagles, great blue herons, moose, mule deer, beaver, and porcupine raise their young in the riparian area. The river itself is home to several species of trout, as well as the Utah chub and other fish. Wetlands along the river attract species such as the trumpeter swan, ruddy duck, American avocet, and muskrat. Wildlife species that depend on the upland shrub habitats include sage grouse, Brewer's sparrow, ferruginous hawk, pygmy rabbit, Great Basin gopher snake, and pronghorn.

Wildlife observation can be interesting any time of year at SeedsKadee NWR, but to see the greatest diversity of birds, the best times of year to visit are spring and fall when bird migration is in full swing. Wildlife is most active during the morning and evening hours, so if possible, plan to be on the Refuge during these times.

## About this Checklist

This checklist includes 222 bird species, 53 species of mammals, 6 species of reptiles, 4 amphibian species, and 22 species of fish. The checklist will be updated periodically as new species are documented. Species abundance varies annually due to changes in wetland water levels, fluctuations in available food, and natural cycles.

### *Seasons of Occurrence:*

Since many birds are migratory, their seasonal occurrence and relative abundance are noted as follows:

Sp Spring (March – May)  
S Summer (June – August)  
F Fall (September – November)  
W Winter (December – February)

### *Seasonal Abundance:*

c common – certain to be seen in suitable habitat  
o occasional – seen only a few times during the season  
r rare – seen at intervals of 2 - 5 years  
x hypothetical – within normal range, but never documented

### *Other Codes*

• denotes a breeding species

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Common Bird Name	Sp	S	F	W
<b>Ducks, Geese, and Swans</b>				
Snow Goose	r	x	r	x
Ross's Goose	r	x	r	x
• Canada Goose	c	c	c	c
• Trumpeter Swan	c	c	c	c
Tundra Swan	o	r	o	r
Wood Duck	r	r	r	x
• Gadwall	c	c	c	x
• American Wigeon	o	c	c	x
• Mallard	c	c	c	c
• Blue-winged Teal	o	c	o	x
• Cinnamon Teal	o	c	c	r
• Northern Shoveler	c	c	c	r
• Northern Pintail	o	o	o	r
• Green-winged Teal	o	o	o	x
Canvasback	o	r	o	r
• Redhead	c	c	o	r
Ring-necked Duck	c	o	c	r
Lesser Scaup	c	o	c	r
Bufflehead	o	r	o	o
Common Goldeneye	c	r	o	c
Barrow's Goldeneye	r	x	r	r
Hooded Merganser	r	x	r	o
• Common Merganser	c	o	c	c
Red-breasted Merganser	r	x	r	r
• Ruddy Duck	c	c	o	x
<b>Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys</b>				
• Greater Sage-Grouse	c	c	c	o
<b>Loons</b>				
Common Loon	r	o	r	x
<b>Grebes</b>				
• Pied-billed Grebe	c	c	o	r
Horned Grebe	r	x	r	x
Eared Grebe	o	x	o	x
Western Grebe	o	o	r	x
Clark's Grebe	r	o	r	x
<b>Cormorants</b>				
Double-crested Cormorant	r	r	r	x
<b>Pelicans</b>				
• American White Pelican	o	c	o	x
<b>Bitterns, Herons, and Egrets</b>				
American Bittern	r	o	r	x
• Great Blue Heron	c	c	o	x

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Great Egret	r	r	r	x
Snowy Egret	r	r	r	x
Cattle Egret	x	r	x	x
Black-crowned Night-Heron	r	r	x	x
<b>Ibises and Spoonbills</b>				
White-faced Ibis	o	o	o	x
<b>New World Vultures</b>				
Turkey Vulture	r	r	r	x
<b>Hawks, Kites, and Eagles</b>				
• Osprey	r	o	r	x
• Bald Eagle	c	c	c	c
• Northern Harrier	c	c	c	o
Sharp-shinned Hawk	o	r	o	r
Cooper's Hawk	o	r	o	r
Northern Goshawk	x	x	x	x
• Swainson's Hawk	o	o	o	r
• Red-tailed Hawk	o	c	c	r
• Ferruginous Hawk	o	o	o	r
Rough-legged Hawk	o	r	o	c
• Golden Eagle	o	o	o	o
<b>Caracaras and Falcons</b>				
• American Kestrel	o	c	o	x
Merlin	r	r	r	x
Peregrine Falcon	r	r	r	x
• Prairie Falcon	o	o	o	x
<b>Rails, Gallinules, and Coots</b>				
Virginia Rail	r	o	r	x
Sora	o	o	o	x
• American Coot	o	c	c	x
<b>Cranes</b>				
• Sandhill Crane	o	c	o	x
Whooping Crane	r	x	r	x
<b>Plovers</b>				
Black-bellied Plover	r	x	r	x
Semipalmated Plover	r	x	r	x
• Killdeer	o	c	o	x
Mountain Plover	r	o	r	x
<b>Stilts and Avocets</b>				
Black-necked Stilt	r	o	r	x
American Avocet	r	o	r	x

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<b>Sandpipers and Phalaropes</b>				
• Spotted Sandpiper	o	c	o	x
Solitary Sandpiper	r	x	r	x
Greater Yellowlegs	o	r	o	x
Willet	o	r	o	x
Lesser Yellowlegs	o	r	o	x
Upland Sandpiper	r	x	r	x
Long-billed Curlew	r	r	r	x
Marbled Godwit	r	r	r	x
Red Knot	x	x	x	x
Semipalmated Sandpiper	r	x	r	x
Western Sandpiper	r	x	r	x
Least Sandpiper	o	r	o	x
Baird's Sandpiper	o	r	o	x
Pectoral Sandpiper	r	x	r	x
Stilt Sandpiper	r	x	r	x
Long-billed Dowitcher	o	r	o	x
• Wilson's Snipe	o	o	o	x
• Wilson's Phalarope	r	o	r	x
Red-necked Phalarope	r	x	r	x
<b>Gulls, Terns, Skimmers, and Skuas</b>				
Bonaparte's Gull	r	x	r	x
Franklin's Gull	o	x	o	x
Ring-billed Gull	c	o	c	x
California Gull	c	o	c	x
Herring Gull	r	x	r	x
Caspian Tern	o	x	o	x
Black Tern	o	x	o	x
Common Tern	o	x	o	x
Forster's Tern	o	x	o	x
<b>Pigeons and Doves</b>				
Rock Pigeon	x	x	x	x
• Mourning Dove	c	c	c	x
<b>Cuckoos, Roadrunners, and Anis</b>				
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	r	r	x	x
<b>Typical Owls</b>				
• Great Horned Owl	c	c	c	c
Snowy Owl	x	x	x	r
• Burrowing Owl	r	o	r	x
• Long-eared Owl	o	o	o	o
• Short-eared Owl	o	o	o	o
<b>Nighthawks and Nightjars</b>				
• Common Nighthawk	o	c	o	x
Common Poorwill	r	o	r	x

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<b>Swifts</b>				
White-throated Swift	r	r	r	x
<b>Hummingbirds</b>				
Calliope Hummingbird	r	o	r	x
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	r	o	r	x
Rufous Hummingbird	r	o	r	x
<b>Kingfishers</b>				
• Belted Kingfisher	o	c	o	x
<b>Woodpeckers</b>				
Lewis's Woodpecker	r	r	r	x
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	r	r	r	x
Red-naped Sapsucker	o	o	o	x
• Downy Woodpecker	o	o	o	x
Hairy Woodpecker	o	r	o	x
• Northern Flicker	c	c	c	x
<b>Tyrant Flycatchers</b>				
Olive-sided Flycatcher	o	r	o	x
• Western Wood-Pewee	o	c	o	x
Willow Flycatcher	r	o	o	x
Least Flycatcher	o	r	o	x
Hammond's Flycatcher	r	x	r	x
Gray Flycatcher	o	r	o	x
Dusky Flycatcher	r	o	r	x
• Cordilleran Flycatcher	o	c	c	x
• Say's Phoebe	o	c	c	x
• Western Kingbird	o	c	o	x
• Eastern Kingbird	o	c	o	x
<b>Shrikes</b>				
Loggerhead Shrike	o	o	o	r
Northern Shrike	o	r	o	o
<b>Vireos</b>				
Plumbeous Vireo	o	r	o	x
Blue-headed Vireo	o	r	o	x
• Warbling Vireo	o	c	o	x
Red-eyed Vireo	o	r	o	x
<b>Crows, Jays, and Magpies</b>				
• Black-billed Magpie	c	c	c	c
• American Crow	o	o	o	o
• Common Raven	c	c	c	c
<b>Larks</b>				
• Horned Lark	c	c	c	c

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<b>Swallows</b>				
• Tree Swallow	o	c	c	x
• Violet-green Swallow	o	c	c	x
• Northern Rough-winged Swallow	o	c	c	x
• Bank Swallow	r	o	r	x
• Cliff Swallow	o	c	c	x
• Barn Swallow	o	c	c	x
<b>Titmice and Chickadees</b>				
Black-capped Chickadee	o	o	o	o
Mountain Chickadee	r	x	r	o
<b>Nuthatches</b>				
Red-breasted Nuthatch	r	o	r	x
White-breasted Nuthatch	r	o	r	x
<b>Creepers</b>				
Brown Creeper	r	r	r	x
<b>Wrens</b>				
• Rock Wren	o	c	c	x
Bewick's Wren	r	o	r	x
• House Wren	o	c	o	x
• Marsh Wren	c	c	c	x
<b>Old World Warblers and Gnatcatchers</b>				
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	r	o	o	x
<b>Dippers</b>				
American Dipper	r	x	r	x
<b>Kinglets</b>				
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	c	o	c	x
<b>Thrushes</b>				
• Mountain Bluebird	c	c	c	x
Townsend's Solitaire	o	o	o	x
Veery	o	o	o	x
Swainson's Thrush	c	o	c	x
Hermit Thrush	o	r	o	x
• American Robin	c	c	c	x
<b>Mimic Thrushes</b>				
Gray Catbird	r	o	r	x
Northern Mockingbird	r	r	r	x
• Sage Thrasher	o	c	c	x
Brown Thrasher	o	r	o	x
<b>Starlings</b>				
• European Starling	o	c	o	x

Common Bird Name	Sp	S	F	W
<b>Wagtails and Pipits</b>				
American Pipit	o	r	o	x
<b>Waxwings</b>				
Bohemian Waxwing	r	x	r	o
Cedar Waxwing	r	x	r	o
<b>Longspurs and Buntings</b>				
Lapland Longspur	x	x	x	r
Chestnut-collared Longspur	r	x	r	x
McCown's Longspur	o	r	o	x
Snow Bunting	r	x	r	o
<b>Wood Warblers</b>				
Tennessee Warbler	r	x	r	x
Orange-crowned Warbler	o	r	o	x
Nashville Warbler	r	x	r	x
Virginia's Warbler	r	x	r	x
MacGillivray's Warbler	r	o	r	x
• Common Yellowthroat	o	c	o	x
American Redstart	o	r	o	x
Magnolia Warbler	r	x	r	x
• Yellow Warbler	o	c	o	x
Chestnut-sided Warbler	r	x	r	x
Yellow-rumped Warbler	c	o	c	x
Black-throated Gray Warbler	r	x	r	x
Wilson's Warbler	c	o	c	x
Yellow-breasted Chat	r	o	r	x
<b>Sparrows and Towhees</b>				
American Tree Sparrow	r	x	r	o
Chipping Sparrow	r	o	r	x
• Brewer's Sparrow	o	c	o	x
• Vesper Sparrow	o	c	o	x
• Lark Sparrow	r	o	o	x
• Sage Sparrow	o	c	o	x
Lark Bunting	r	o	r	x
• Savannah Sparrow	c	c	c	x
Grasshopper Sparrow	o	r	o	x
Fox Sparrow	o	r	o	x
• Song Sparrow	c	c	c	r
• Lincoln's Sparrow	o	o	o	r
White-crowned Sparrow	o	r	o	x
Dark-eyed Junco	c	o	c	r
<b>Tanagers</b>				
Western Tanager	o	o	o	x

Common Bird Name	Sp	S	F	W
<b>Cardinals, Grosbeaks, and Allies</b>				
Black-headed Grosbeak	o	r	o	x
Lazuli Bunting	r	o	r	x
<b>Blackbirds and Orioles</b>				
Bobolink	r	x	r	x
• Red-winged Blackbird	c	c	c	x
• Western Meadowlark	c	c	c	x
• Yellow-headed Blackbird	c	c	c	x
• Brewer's Blackbird	c	c	c	x
Common Grackle	r	o	o	r
• Brown-headed Cowbird	o	c	c	x
• Bullock's Oriole	o	c	o	x
<b>Finches</b>				
Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch	o	r	o	c
Black Rosy-Finch	r	x	r	r
Cassin's Finch	o	r	o	x
House Finch	o	r	o	x
Common Redpoll	x	x	x	r
Pine Siskin	c	o	c	r
• American Goldfinch	o	c	c	x
Evening Grosbeak	o	r	o	x
<b>Old World Sparrows</b>				
House Sparrow	o	c	c	r

Birds Reference: American Ornithologists' Union. 1998. Check-list of North American Birds. 7th edition. American Ornithologists' Union, Washington, DC.

Common Mammal Name	Abundance
<b>Shrews</b>	
Cinereus or Masked Shrew ( <i>Sorex cinereus</i> )	c
Merriam's Shrew ( <i>Sorex merriami</i> )	r
Dusky or Montane Shrew ( <i>Sorex monticolus</i> )	c
American Water Shrew ( <i>Sorex palustris</i> )	o
Vagrant Shrew ( <i>Sorex vagrans</i> )	o
<b>Vesper Bats</b>	
Western Small-footed Myotis ( <i>Myotis ciliolabrum</i> )	x
Long-eared Myotis ( <i>Myotis evotis</i> )	o
Little Brown Myotis ( <i>Myotis lucifugus</i> )	c
Long-legged Myotis ( <i>Myotis volans</i> )	x
Silver-haired Bat ( <i>Lasionycteris noctivagans</i> )	o
Big Brown Bat ( <i>Eptesicus fuscus</i> )	o
Pallid Bat ( <i>Antrozous pallidus</i> )	r

Common Mammal Name	Abundance
<b>Hares and Rabbits</b>	
Pygmy Rabbit ( <i>Brachylagus idahoensis</i> )	o
Desert Cottontail ( <i>Sylvilagus audubonii</i> )	c
White-tailed Jackrabbit ( <i>Lepus townsendii</i> )	c
<b>Squirrels</b>	
Least Chipmunk ( <i>Neotamias minimus</i> )	c
Yellow-bellied Marmot ( <i>Marmota flaviventris</i> )	o
Uinta Ground Squirrel ( <i>Spermophilus armatus</i> )	o
Wyoming Ground Squirrel ( <i>Spermophilus elegans</i> )	c
Golden-mantled Ground Squirrel ( <i>Spermophilus lateralis</i> )	o
Thirteen-lined Ground Squirrel ( <i>Spermophilus tridecemlineatus</i> )	o
White-tailed Prairie Dog ( <i>Cynomys leucurus</i> )	c
<b>Pocket Gophers</b>	
Northern Pocket Gopher ( <i>Thomomys talpoides</i> )	c
<b>Pocket Mice and Kangaroo Rats</b>	
Olive-backed Pocket Mouse ( <i>Perognathus fasciatus</i> )	o
Great Basin Pocket Mouse ( <i>Perognathus parvus</i> )	o
Ord's Kangaroo Rat ( <i>Dipodomys ordii</i> )	o
<b>Beavers</b>	
American Beaver ( <i>Castor canadensis</i> )	c
<b>Mice, Rats, and Voles</b>	
Deer Mouse ( <i>Peromyscus maniculatus</i> )	c
Northern Grasshopper Mouse ( <i>Onychomys leucogaster</i> )	o
Bushy-tailed Woodrat ( <i>Neotoma cinerea</i> )	o
Long-tailed Vole ( <i>Microtus longicaudus</i> )	o
Montane Vole ( <i>Microtus montanus</i> )	c
Meadow Vole ( <i>Microtus pennsylvanicus</i> )	c
Sagebrush Vole ( <i>Lemmings curtatus</i> )	o
Common Muskrat ( <i>Ondatra zibethicus</i> )	c
<b>Jumping Mice</b>	
Meadow Jumping Mouse ( <i>Zapus hudsonius</i> )	r
<b>New World Porcupines</b>	
North American Porcupine ( <i>Erethizon dorsatum</i> )	c
<b>Dogs, Foxes, and Wolves</b>	
Coyote ( <i>Canis latrans</i> )	c
Red Fox ( <i>Vulpes vulpes</i> )	o

Common Mammal Name	Abundance
<b>Raccoons, Ringtails, and Coatis</b>	
___ Northern Raccoon ( <i>Procyon lotor</i> )	c
<b>Weasels, Otters, and Badgers</b>	
___ Ermine or Short-tailed Weasel ( <i>Mustela erminea</i> )	o
___ Long-tailed Weasel ( <i>Mustela frenata</i> )	o
___ Black-footed Ferret ( <i>Mustela nigripes</i> )	x
___ American Mink ( <i>Mustela vison</i> )	o
___ American Badger ( <i>Taxidea taxus</i> )	c
___ Northern River Otter ( <i>Lontra canadensis</i> )	r
<b>Skunks</b>	
___ Striped Skunk ( <i>Mephitis mephitis</i> )	o
<b>Cats</b>	
___ Bobcat ( <i>Lynx rufus</i> )	o
<b>Deer</b>	
___ Wapiti or Elk ( <i>Cervus canadensis</i> )	o
___ Mule Deer ( <i>Odocoileus hemionus</i> )	c
___ White-tailed Deer ( <i>Odocoileus virginianus</i> )	c
___ Moose ( <i>Alces alces</i> )	c
<b>Pronghorn</b>	
___ Pronghorn ( <i>Antilocapra americana</i> )	c

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Common Reptile, Amphibian, and Fish Names	Abundance
<b>Amphibians</b>	
___ Boreal Chorus Frog ( <i>Pseudacris maculate</i> )	c
___ Northern Leopard Frog ( <i>Lithobates pipiens</i> )	c
___ Great Basin Spadefoot ( <i>Spea intermontana</i> )	c
___ Tiger Salamander ( <i>Ambystoma tigrinum</i> )	c

Common Reptile, Amphibian, and Fish Names	Abundance
<b>Reptiles</b>	
___ Greater Short-Horned Lizard ( <i>Phrynosoma hernandesi</i> )	c
___ Northern Sagebrush Lizard ( <i>Sceloporus graciosus graciosus</i> )	c
___ Northern Plateau Lizard ( <i>Sceloporus undulates elongates</i> )	r
___ Eastern Yellow-bellied Racer ( <i>Coluber constrictor flaviventris</i> )	c
___ Great Basin Gopher Snake ( <i>Pituophis catenifer deserticola</i> )	o
___ Intermountain Wandering Garter Snake ( <i>Thamnophis elegans vagrans</i> )	c
<b>Fish</b>	
___ Common Carp ( <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> )	o
___ Utah Chub ( <i>Gila atraria</i> )	c
___ Roundtail Chub ( <i>Gila robusta</i> )	r
___ Fathead Minnow ( <i>Pimephales promelas</i> )	o
___ Longnose dace ( <i>Rhinichthys cataractae</i> )	o
___ Speckled Dace ( <i>Rhinichthys osculus</i> )	c
___ Redside Shiner ( <i>Richardsonius balteatus</i> )	c
___ White Sucker ( <i>Catostomus commersonii</i> )	c
___ Bluehead Sucker ( <i>Catostomus discobolus</i> )	r
___ Flannelmouth Sucker ( <i>Catostomus latipinnis</i> )	c
___ Mountain Sucker ( <i>Catostomus platyrhynchus</i> )	r
___ Channel Catfish ( <i>Ictalurus punctatus</i> )	r
___ Snake River Cutthroat Trout ( <i>Oncorhynchus clarkii</i> )	c
___ Bonneville Cutthroat Trout ( <i>Oncorhynchus clarkii utah</i> )	o
___ Rainbow Trout ( <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> )	c
___ Kokanee Salmon ( <i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i> )	c
___ Mountain Whitefish ( <i>Prosopium williamsoni</i> )	c
___ Brown Trout ( <i>Salmo trutta</i> )	c
___ Lake Trout ( <i>Salvelinus namaycush</i> )	c
___ Burbot ( <i>Lota lota</i> )	o
___ Mottled Sculpin ( <i>Cottus bairdii</i> )	c
___ Smallmouth Bass ( <i>Micropterus dolomieu</i> )	r

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