



Sunrise Birding, LLC

ALASKA: Barrow & Dutch Harbor Extensions

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SPECIES LIST

	SPECIES	Scientific Name	Notes
1	Greater White-fronted Goose	<i>Anser albifrons</i>	Seen in St. Paul and Nome with best views in Barrow of a pair close to the road.
2	Emperor Goose	<i>Chen canagica</i>	A pair seen from Council Road and then again flying near the train to nowhere.
3	Snow Goose	<i>Chen caerulescens</i>	Three seen flying over on the way out to Point Barrow
4	Trumpeter Swan	<i>Cygnus buccinator</i>	Several pairs nesting on Denali Highway and also seen in Barrow.
5	Tundra Swan	<i>Cygnus columbianus</i>	Seen along the roads in Nome, on Denali Highway and in Barrow
6	American Wigeon	<i>Anas americana</i>	Seen commonly throughout the main tour
7	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Seen commonly throughout the main tour and also in Barrow and Dutch Harbor
8	Northern Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>	Seen commonly throughout the main tour and also in Barrow.
9	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	Seen commonly throughout the main tour and also in Barrow.
10	Green-winged Teal	<i>Anas carolinensis</i>	Seen in the Pribilofs, Nome, Barrow, Denali Highway and Dutch Harbor
11	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	Seen in St. Paul on a small pool and at Northeast Point in good evening light and in Dutch Harbor.
12	Ring-necked Duck	<i>Aythya collaris</i>	Seen in Hood Lake by the hotel in Anchorage
13	Greater Scaup	<i>Aythya marila</i>	Seen commonly during the main tour.
14	Lesser Scaup	<i>Aythya affinis</i>	Seen mostly in the Denali area and along Denali Highway.
15	Steller's Eider	<i>Polysticta stelleri</i>	One bird seen flying along the beach at Council Road in Nome. Seen well in Barrow. The most common eider seen there with upwards of 20 seen in one day.
16	Spectacled Eider	<i>Somateria fischeri</i>	Seen very well in Barrow and up to 11 birds in one day.
17	King Eider	<i>Somateria spectabilis</i>	One female seen in the Pribilofs and several handsome looking males seen in Barrow including three feeding in some pools in the ice off the beach.
18	Common Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>	Seen offshore from Council Road in Nome and from Kougarok Road.
19	Harlequin Duck	<i>Histrionicus histrionicus</i>	Common in the Pribilofs, Nome, and Seward and at least 300 seen in one day in Dutch Harbor.
20	White-winged Scoter	<i>Melanitta deglandi</i>	A pair seen in a lake along Denali Highway and in the sea at Dutch Harbor.
21	Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>	Seen commonly in the Pribilofs and Nome with some nice male and females around nests. Also seen along Denali Highway and in Barrow.
22	Barrow's Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala islandica</i>	A group seen in a fenced pond in Seward and along Denali Highway.
23	Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	Seen mostly in Nome and Dutch Harbor. Pairs and family groups in evidence at Dutch Harbor.

24	Willow Ptarmigan	<i>Lagopus lagopus</i>	Seen very well from the roads in Nome and from interior roads in Dutch Harbor.
25	Red-throated Loon	<i>Gavia stellata</i>	Pairs of these gorgeous birds seen in ponds in Nome and Barrow.
26	Pacific Loon	<i>Gavia pacifica</i>	One bird seen well on a nest at the end of Council Road in Nome and others seen in Barrow.
27	Common Loon	<i>Gavia immer</i>	Seen on Denali Highway and also in the harbor at Dutch Harbor.
28	Yellow-billed Loon	<i>Gavia adamsii</i>	One flyover bird seen well on the way back from Point Barrow.
29	Red-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>	Seen well at Westchester Lagoon and in Potter's Marsh. Also seen in Dutch Harbor.
30	Laysan Albatross	<i>Phoebastria immutabilis</i>	Seen extremely well in flight and on the water during our pelagic trip off Dutch Harbor.
31	Black-footed Albatross	<i>Phoebastria nigripes</i>	Seen well during the Dutch Harbor pelagic flying near the boat and feeding in the chum slick behind the boat.
32	Short-tailed Albatross	<i>Phoebastria albatrus</i>	Incredibly we had a juvenile bird off Dutch Harbor at the Chelan Bank that sat in the water and then flew around the boat and up the wake. We had excellent views of this bird as it stayed with us for nearly an hour.
33	Northern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	Several birds nesting and flying below us as we overlooked the see in the Pribilofs. Also seen on the Dutch Harbor pelagic.
34	Short-tailed Shearwater	<i>Puffinus tenuirostris</i>	Many seen during the Dutch Harbor pelagic. Three distant birds flying over the see off St. Paul.
35	Pelagic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax pelagicus</i>	Seen in Nome and very well in Dutch Harbor.
36	Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	Common beginning with the drive along Cook Inlet and high numbers in Dutch Harbor.
37	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Seen well in Barrow flying over the tundra.
38	Sandhill Crane	<i>Grus canadensis</i>	Four flew high over us at the Nome River Bridge and more were seen along Council Road.
39	Black-bellied Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	Best views were of a gorgeous bird in breeding plumage was seen off of Teller Road possibly guarding a nest from jaegers.
40	American Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis dominic</i>	Seen at the Smith's Longspur site on Denali Highway but best views were in Barrow near a radar installation.
41	Black Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus bachmani</i>	First seen during the Kenai Fjords trip on some rocks near shore and then again in Dutch Harbor.
42	Semipalmated Sandpiper	<i>Calidris pusilla</i>	Best views were in Nome where an adult bird was tending to a nest not far from where we were standing on the tundra. Also seen in Barrow.
43	Western Sandpiper	<i>Calidris mauri</i>	Seen very well in bright, breeding plumage at the Nome River bridge.
44	White-rumped Sandpiper	<i>Calidris fuscicollis</i>	Seen flying over a pond in Barrow and landing on a distant bank.
45	Pectoral Sandpiper	<i>Calidris melanoto</i>	Seen very well at the north end of St. Paul and displaying in Barrow
46	Rock Sandpiper (Bering Sea)	<i>Calidris ptilocnemis tschuktschorum</i>	Three birds seen on the shoreline at Dutch Harbor.
47	Long-billed Dowitcher	<i>Limnodromus scolopaceus</i>	Seen very well from the road on all three days in Barrow.
48	Wilson's Snipe	<i>Gallinago delicata</i>	Heard more often than seen in the Pribilofs, Nome, Denali Highway and Dutch Harbor. Winnowing calls were the background noise in many areas except Barrow.
49	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	A pair seen in a wetland off Overland Road in Dutch Harbor
50	Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>	Very common in ponds along Denali Highway and in Barrow.

51	Red Phalarope (Gray)	<i>Phalaropus fulicarius</i>	Five birds seen of the beach from Council Road in Nome and very common in Barrow.
52	Mew Gull	<i>Larus brachyrhynchus</i>	Seen almost daily except in Dutch Harbor.
53	Glaucous-winged Gull	<i>Larus glaucescens</i>	First seen well in Anchorage near Westchester Lagoon and then several seen at the dump in Nome. Also seen on the Kenai Fjords trip and in Dutch Harbor.
54	Glaucous Gull	<i>Larus hyperboreus</i>	Fairly common in the Pribilofs and Nome and seen again in Barrow.
55	Sabine's Gull	<i>Xema sabini</i>	First seen flying over Council Road and then again very well in the same area. Also seen along the beach in Barrow.
56	Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>	Fairly common in Nome and along the Denali Highway and in Barrow.
57	Pomarine Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius pomarinus</i>	Seen first in St. Paul way offshore and then closer in Nome. The best views by far were in Barrow where these birds were quite common.
58	Parasitic Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>	Our first good flight views were over Big Lake in St. Paul and then seen well in Nome and Barrow.
59	Long-tailed Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>	The first of many views was a flying bird right over our heads at the Nome River Bridge. This species was very common in Nome and we had many excellent views there as well as along Denali Highway.
60	Common Murre	<i>Uria aalge</i>	Many seen clinging to the cliffs in St. Paul and in the waters of Safety Sound in Nome. Also seen in Dutch Harbor.
61	Pigeon Guillemot	<i>Cephus columba</i>	Seen at coastal areas throughout the tour and very well from the road at Dutch Harbor.
62	Marbled Murrelet	<i>Brachyramphus marmoratus</i>	Several seen off Seward in the Kenai Fjords and seen well for comparison with Kittlitz's during the boat trip in the fjords.
63	Ancient Murrelet	<i>Synthliboramphus antiquus</i>	Seen first in the harbor at St. Paul and then in the waters off the seabird cliffs. More birds seen during the Dutch Harbor pelagic.
64	Whiskered Auklet		At least 250 birds seen during the cruise through the Baby Islands off Dutch Harbor. The birds were very skittish taking off from the water as the boat moved in their direction, however, with patience we were able to get good views.
65	Horned Puffin	<i>Fratercula corniculata</i>	Seen on the nesting cliffs and flying in Nome. Also seen during the Kenai trip and in Dutch Harbor.
66	Tufted Puffin	<i>Lunda cirrhata</i>	Fairly common in most coastal areas and seen well on the St. Paul nesting cliffs.
67	Snowy Owl	<i>Nyctea scandiaca</i>	Very common just outside of town at Barrow. Several females seen on nests and males patrolling territory.
68	Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>	Seen coursing over open tundra in St. Paul and then perched on the ground.
69	Belted Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle alcyon</i>	A flyover seen at Eagle River and another male seen well above a small river in Dutch Harbor.
70	Black-billed Magpie	<i>Pica hudsonia</i>	Commonly seen during the main tour in Anchorage, Denali, and Seward.
71	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	Very common in Anchorage, Denali, Seward, and Nome.
72	Violet-green Swallow	<i>Tachycineta thalassina</i>	Very common during the main tour near any freshwater.
73	Bank Swallow	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Fairly common on the main tour and in Dutch Harbor.
74	American Dipper	<i>Cinclus mexicanus</i>	Two birds seen in Nome going back and forth through a culvert under the road with nesting material. Also a pair bringing food into a nest under bridge in Dutch Harbor.
75	American Pipit	<i>Anthus rubescens pacificus</i>	One bird that Steve found in Nome was ignored due to the Bluethroat activity. Another was seen well on the grass near the permit office in Dutch Harbor.
76	Savannah Sparrow	<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>	Seen in Nome and on Denali Highway as well as Dutch Harbor
77	Aleutian Song	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	Seen well near a road bridge in Dutch Harbor

	Sparrow	<i>sanaka</i>	
78	White-crowned Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys</i>	Common in Nome. Also seen well on Denali Highway.
79	Dark-eyed Junco	<i>Junco hyemalis</i>	Seen mostly in Denali National Park and on Denali Highway. One seen on the last day in Dutch Harbor.
80	Lapland Longspur	<i>Calcarius lapponicus</i>	Very common in St. Paul with many males singing and displaying. Also seen in Nome, Barrow, and Dutch Harbor.
81	Smith's Longspur	<i>Calcarius pictus</i>	One bird seen flying over the tundra along Denali Highway and then seen very well as it landed on the ground in the open for several minutes allowing scope views and photographs.
82	Snow Bunting	<i>Plectrophenax nivalis</i>	Seen first in the Pribilofs and then in Nome, Barrow and Dutch Harbor.
83	Red-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>	A few birds seen at Potter's Marsh in Anchorage.
84	Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch (Aleutians)	<i>Leucosticte tephrocotis griseonucha</i>	Seen well in Dutch Harbor.
85	Common Redpoll	<i>Carduelis flammea</i>	Seen well in Nome, Denali and Barrow
	MAMMALS	Scientific Name	
1	Arctic Fox	<i>Alopex lagopus</i>	Seen very well on St. Paul and a distant white fox in Barrow.
2	Spotted Seal	<i>Phoca largha</i>	Seen out on the ice at Barrow.
3	Bearded Seal	<i>Erignathus barbatus</i>	Seen on the ice at Point Barrow.
4	Arctic Ground Squirrel	<i>Spermophilus parryii</i>	Many seen at the Eilsen Center at Denali National Park. Also seen in Nome, Barrow, and Dutch Harbor.
5	Brown Lemming	<i>Lemmus trimucronatus</i>	The tundra was alive with lemmings in Barrow and we had an up close and personal one in the hand caught by our group's chief lemming catcher.

Please note that our checklists do not include species seen by leaders only.
We do not count heard only or subspecies, although they are noted.
This we believe gives us a very honest accurate group total.