

lake merritt bird guide

A PARTIAL LIST OF REGULAR AVIAN VISITORS TO THE WATERS

OF THE LAKE

● MALE ● FEMALE



American Coot
Fulica americana



Double-Crested Cormorant
Phalacrocorax auritus



Canvasback ● ●
Aythya valisineria



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Greater Scaup ● ●
Aythya marila



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Lesser Scaup ● ●
Aythya affinis



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Ruddy Duck ●
Oxyura jaimacensis



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Hooded Merganser ● ●
Lophodytes cucullatus



Red-Breasted Merganser ●
Mergus serrator



Bufflehead ●
Bucephala albeola



Ring-necked Duck ●
Aythya collaris



Barrow's Goldeneye ●
Bucephala islandica



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Common Goldeneye ●
Bucephala clangula



Mallard ●
Anas platyrhynchos



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Tufted Duck ●
Aythya fuligula



Great Egret
Ardea alba



Snowy Egret
Egretta Thula



Canada Goose
Branta canadensis



Clark's Grebe
Aechmophorus clarkii



Western Grebe
Aechmophorus occidentalis



Eared Grebe
Podiceps nigricollis



**Eared Grebe
Breeding Plumage**
Podiceps nigricollis



Horned Grebe
Podiceps auritus



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Breeding Plumage**
Podiceps auritus



Pied-billed Grebe
Podilymbus podiceps



Ring-billed Gull
Larus delawarensis



Great Blue Heron
Ardea herodias



Green Heron
Butorides virescens



**Black-crowned
Night Heron** ●
Nycticorax nycticorax



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Night Heron** ●
Nycticorax nycticorax



Belted Kingfisher
Megasceryle alcyon



Brown Pelican
Pelecanus occidentalis



**American White
Pelican**
Pelecanus erythrorhynchos



Caspian Tern
Hydroprogne caspia



Forster's Tern
Sterna forsteri

NOTES:

Not all birds in this guide have a sex specified. Many are winter visitors so that's the best time to see if you can spot everyone on the list. For more information on these species and additional Lake birds (mostly rare winter visitors), visit the Oakland Parks & Rec's pages on the birds of Lake Merritt at www.oaklandnet.com/parks/parks/lakemerritt_birds.asp. For comprehensive listings, information and additional photos of these and other birds in California go to Wikipedia's great offering on our state's avian life at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_California_birds. This list was compiled by Grow Your Oakland www.growyouroakland.org. We make no claim to being experts on Lake Merritt's birds, please contact us at info@growyouroakland.org if you find any errors in this guide. All photos from Wikimedia Commons. Please contact us for details on specific photos, we're happy to pass them along. Special thanks to Wikipedia contributor Calibas who took many of these photos—at Lake Merritt no less!