



## Frequently Observed Birds in the Rio Grande Village Area

Each of these species listed can be found seasonally in the Rio Grande Village area of Big Bend National Park. Rio Grande Village, located on the river, is often the best birding location in the park.

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### Fall and Winter

**Heron Family**

Cattle Egret  
Great Blue Heron

**Duck Family**

Mallard  
Blue-winged Teal

**Sandpiper Family**

Spotted Sandpiper

**American Vulture Family**

Turkey Vulture  
Black Vulture

**Hawk Family**

Sharp-shinned Hawk  
Cooper's Hawk  
Red-tailed Hawk

**Falcon Family**

American Kestrel  
Peregrine Falcon

**Dove Family**

White-winged Dove  
Mourning Dove

**Cuckoo Family**

Greater Roadrunner

**Owl Family**

Great Horned Owl  
Western Screech Owl

**Swift Family**

White-throated Swift

**Woodpecker Family**

Acorn Woodpecker  
Ladder-backed Woodpecker  
Northern Flicker  
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker  
Red-naped Sapsucker

**Hummingbird Family**

Black-chinned Hummingbird

**Tyrant Flycatchers**

Western Wood Pewee  
Eastern Phoebe  
Black Phoebe  
Say's Phoebe  
Ash-throated Flycatcher

**Swallow Family**

Northern Rough-winged Swallow  
Barn Swallow

**Shrike Family**

Loggerhead Shrike

**Vireo Family**

Bell's Vireo  
Solitary Vireo

**Crow Family**

Common Raven

**Verdin Family**

Verdin

**Kinglet Family**

Ruby-crowned Kinglet

**Creeper Family**

Brown Creeper

**Gnatcatchers**

Blue-gray gnatcatcher  
Black-tailed gnatcatcher

**Wren Family**

Marsh Wren  
Rock Wren  
Canyon Wren  
Bewick's Wren

**Thrush Family**

Hermit Thrush  
American Robin

**Mockingbirds & Thrashers**

Northern Mockingbird  
Curve-billed Thrasher  
Crissal Thrasher

**Wood Warblers**

Orange-crowned Warbler  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
Townsend's Warbler  
Wilson's Warbler  
Common Yellowthroat

**Sparrows**

Spotted Towhee  
Canyon Towhee  
Vesper Sparrow  
Song Sparrow  
Black-throated Sparrow  
Chipping Sparrow  
Clay-colored Sparrow  
White-crowned Sparrow  
Dark-eyed Junco  
Lincoln's Sparrow  
Swamp Sparrow  
Lark Bunting

**Cardinal Family**

Northern Cardinal  
Pyrrhuloxia

**Finch Family**

House Finch  
Lesser Goldfinch

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**Spring and Summer****Grebes**

Pied-billed Grebe

**Heron Family**Green Heron  
Great Blue Heron**Duck Family**Gadwall  
Mallard  
Blue-winged Teal  
Green-winged Teal  
Northern Shoveler**Shorebirds**Spotted Sandpiper  
Greater Yellowlegs  
Killdeer**Coots & Rails**American Coot  
Sora**American Vulture Family**Turkey Vulture  
Black Vulture**Hawk Family**Sharp-shinned Hawk  
Cooper's Hawk  
Red-tailed Hawk  
Common Black Hawk  
Zone-tailed Hawk**Falcon Family**

American Kestrel

**Dove Family**White-winged Dove  
Mourning Dove  
Inca Dove**Cuckoo Family**Greater Roadrunner  
Yellow-billed Cuckoo**Owl Family**Great Horned Owl  
Western Screech Owl  
Elf Owl**Goatsuckers**

Lesser Nighthawk

**Swift Family**

White-throated Swift

**Hummingbird Family**

Black-chinned Hummingbird

**Kingfishers**Belted Kingfisher  
Green Kingfisher**Woodpecker Family**Ladder-backed Woodpecker  
Golden-fronted Woodpecker  
Northern Flicker**Tyrant Flycatchers**Western Wood Pewee  
Vermillion Flycatcher  
Black Phoebe  
Say's Phoebe  
Ash-throated Flycatcher  
Western Kingbird**Shrike Family**

Loggerhead Shrike

**Vireo Family**Bell's Vireo  
Plumbeous Vireo**Crow Family**

Common Raven

**Swallow Family**N. Rough-winged Swallow  
Barn Swallow  
Cliff Swallow**Verdin Family**

Verdin

**Kinglet Family**

Ruby-crowned Kinglet

**Gnatcatchers**Blue-gray gnatcatcher  
Black-tailed gnatcatcher**Wren Family**Cactus Wren  
Marsh Wren  
Rock Wren  
Canyon Wren  
Bewick's Wren  
House Wren**Thrush Family**

Hermit Thrush

**Mockingbirds & Thrashers**Northern Mockingbird  
Curve-billed Thrasher  
Crissal Thrasher**Wood Warblers**Orange-crowned Warbler  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
Yellow Warbler  
Wilson's Warbler  
Common Yellowthroat  
Yellow-breasted Chat**Tanagers**

Summer Tanager

**Sparrows**Spotted Towhee  
Canyon Towhee  
Rufous-crowned Sparrow  
Chipping Sparrow  
Brewer's Sparrow  
Black-throated Sparrow  
Vesper Sparrow  
White-crowned Sparrow  
Lincoln's Sparrow  
Lark Bunting**Cardinals & Grosbeaks**Northern Cardinal  
Pyrrhuloxia  
Blue Grosbeak  
Varied Bunting  
Painted Bunting**Blackbirds**Meadowlark  
Brewer's Blackbird  
Brown-headed Cowbird  
Orchard Oriole  
Scott's Oriole**Finch Family**House Finch  
Lesser Goldfinch**Old World Sparrows**

House Sparrow