

# Birding New Mexico and Arizona for a few days in the Spring 2008

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## SUMMARY

Mikael Karlsson and Håkan Sivencrona got the chance to take a short birding trip, four and a half days in New Mexico and Arizona during springtime. The trip was made in conjunction with a business trip and using frequent flyer miles. The trip lasted between 15th and 20th of April 2008

The trip started just outside Albuquerque ['ælbəkɜ:kɪ], in New Mexico driving down southwest to the "*Sky islands*", continuing along the Mexican border through Arizona and then up to Tucson. On the way back we drove again over Lordsburg over the magnificent Gila Mountains to Bosque del Apache for a return visit. Then we spent the final night close to the Albuquerque airport. The trip ended up with 189 species where approximately 30 were "just there" species.

16th to 20th of April



**Saguaro National Park in the  
sunset**



## Itinerary 2008-04-15 -- 2008-04-20

- Tuesday Leaving Detroit and Gothenburg respectively.  
Arriving to Albuquerque in New Mexico in the evening. Håkan from Detroit and Mikael from Houston. Directly to a low price hotel, Ramada
- Wednesday After breakfast we got picked up by the airport shuttle and went to Avis and started driving to Bosque del Apache with our rental car. At Bosque del Apache bird sanctuary for some six hours. Birding from car, driving over Silver City to Lordsburg and checking in at Best Western (which was not very good and now is closed)
- Thursday Traveling Lordsburg to Portal staying at Portal Peak Lodge Store and Cafe. Birding Cave Creek Canyon and surroundings. What a great place.
- Friday Birding in Cave Creek Canyon and surroundings
- Saturday Traveling from Cave Creek along the Mexican border to Ash Canyon/San Pedro House, Saguaro National Park and back to Best Western in Lordsburg
- Sunday Birding over Gila Mountains and over Bosque del Apache, Albuquerque
- Monday Flight around noon over Houston
- Tuesday Home Sweet Home with Air France from Paris

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### PLANNING & PREPARATION

We did not do any real planning before the trip except that we knew we would like to visit **Bosque del Apache** and also **Cave Creek Canyon** as we had both dreamt about the **Elegant Trogon** which should reside there. We had no real professional birding information about where to go, no hot spots, no maps no nothing, but good company. Everything else we had to find out during the trip.

### DAY 0 ARRIVING AND FINDING A HOTEL

As Håkan had to work in Detroit for a few days we decided to meet at Albuquerque International Sunport on the evening of the 15th of April. Mikael arrived later but around 11 pm we were both heading for a cheap hotel we had found using one of the popular booking sites. Ramada offers ok rooms for a fair price with no real complementary services except the most important, shuttle bus to and fro the airport. I expect the price to be around 60 dollars for a double room.

### DAY 1 - LEAVING AIRPORT IN ALBUQUERQUE

The shuttle bus took us back to the airport where we had booked our car, a Chevrolet cobalt lt. After entering the medium sized car we headed for route 25, or the Pan American Freeway, which we knew would take us to **Bosque del Apache**. At earliest possible opportunity we stopped at a gas station to buy a map over New Mexico and Arizona. First bird to enter the list was a Mourning Dove. We could have ordered a GPS but wise from experience maps are better for birdwatchers.

The freeway pretty much follows the Rio Grande river and there are many fields and farms everywhere along it, with areas of creosote bushes and acacias on the hills. We expected to arrive around 8-9 to Bosque depending on the number of stops we had to do. But basically we only stopped twice, once to watch a Loggerhead Shrike and a Swainson's Hawk. The second time to stand with our backs against the car and enjoying the view.

After approximately two hours driving you will see signs directing you to the Bosque Del Apache Visitor Center. We recommend that you leave the Freeway and enter the old US Highway 85 at San Antonio. Here we made some brief stops near the rail road. Really great birding here. We saw for example a delayed Snow Goose, one single Wood Duck. The duck was extra funny to see as we did not see any more after this sighting. Then we enjoyed a shouting Killdeer. It really has a matching name!

Getting close to the center we saw Meadowlark's, Say's Phoebe while many different Sparrows were flying around us. At this time we could not really distinguish any sparrow from another and we used the camera as well as trying to remember as much as we could.



Say's Phoebe

At the visitor center we got some maps over the area and paid the entrance fees and got our badge. The staff was very professional and knowledgeable. We got some hints and advice of where to bird and where not to. The visitor center is furthermore a good spot to look for Hummingbirds and if you walk down to the road you can mount your scope and watch the flooded area (if in spring we guess). Here we saw Sage Thrasher and American Pipits.

The Bosque Del Apache has several gravel roads as well as dirt roads and we had to drive carefully in order to not wreck our poor car. Try to stay on the roads! When we visited the area there were very few people in the park so we basically stopped whenever we felt. Mikael was driving as Håkan wanted to be fast with the Camera, which he was when we finally got a Greater Roadrunner right beside the car.



Make sure to you allow plenty of time to stop at all the small ponds, walk the trails and take be calm. Birds were abundant and we virtually goat drenched by new birds. Birds of specific interest was Clark's Grebe which we saw several of. We also saw a curious Sora as well as all possible Swallows, many Kingbirds and Flycatchers as well as some Warblers. Finally we found a fairly big "water" where hundreds of Wilson's Phalaropes where feeding, making the water "boiling". We also saw a female Northern Harrier.



Greater Roadrunner', image also in the book Cuckoos of the World

After a while we also met a few people that had seen an Aplomado Falcon but we did not.



*Sora seen from the trails in one of the ponds*

The only Falcon we saw was the American Kestrel that was fairly common. We also saw one White Pelican flying over our heads. Other highlights were Marbled Godwit and Cinnamon Teal.

At noon we decided to take some small local roads driving through the "desert" but this was not really fruitful and we only saw a few Sparrows that we could not determine. In total the list had grown to include 78 new species in the three hours we spent at Bosque Del Apache.

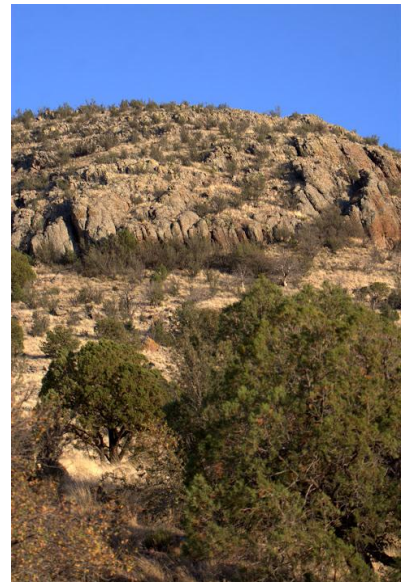
Now the time had come to use the hottest time to drive further south. (Not that it is not far from White sands but we did not do that detour).

We did not really know what to expect and which way to go, so we took a chance. We drove until we found a McDonalds near Elephant Butte or better Truth or Consequences. Near the Caballo Reservoir we then took the route 152 to go to Silverado over the mountains. This was a good decision, we think, not knowing what the other roads could have offered. Anyway the road is beautiful as it crosses wonderful mountain passes as well as nice oak forests and coniferous forest. Turkey Vultures were really abundant, so was Gambles Quails. We did try to stop at ravines where there still was some water in the rivers below. In Percha Creek we made a few stops



*Zone-tailed Hawk along road 152*

and spotted one Zone-tailed Hawk, Chihuahuan Raven as well as Bridled Titmouse. When we got closer to Emory Pass the sun started to set and we did not really see any more birds of interest.



*View from road 152*

The driving time from Caballo to Silver City should be around two hours, but with our sudden stops, four hours were more realistic. At one stop we heard Common Poorwill and later we almost hit a Lesser Nighthawk flying just in front of the car. The last stretch from Silver City to Lordsburg took us around one hour.

Quite late we arrived to Lordsburg and we were not really into finding any particular hotel or so. We took the cheapest hotel we could find, a Best western which, when I today want to find it through **hotels.com** it is no longer existing. We paid roughly around 70 dollars for a double room. It was a typical low class motel.

## DAY 2 - LEAVING LORDSBURG TO DRIVE TOWARDS PORTAL

Today we had targeted to find Cave Creek Canyon. I knew that the city of Portal was close to it so we looked it up on the map and started the engine. We had no idea where to stay but we usually solve that.

Our estimations gave us that we would be arriving perfectly for a breakfast and coffee. The road from Lordsburg starts with the highway 10 and then at "Roadforks" you take road 80. To begin with, this is a boring road but after some 25 minutes you approach some nice mountains, a ridge. Stop here on the top! A wonderful view of the road 80 as it stretches pretty much straight towards Cave Creek Canyon. Now we could imagine how it would look like.



Not a single curve on this road for several miles. Amazing! Along the road, be aware of Sparrows, Towhees and all the Hawks that are about to migrate north after the winter. We saw many Swainson's Hawks, Kestrels and Vultures. Pretty much next to the Chiricahua Desert Museum the road to Portal starts. Take Road 533 right. After crossing the border to Arizona the road continues some 5 miles until you reach Portal. Check out for Loggerhead Shrikes, Sparrows, Kingbirds etc along the road. We arrived to Portal

around 10 o'clock in the morning and immediately found two red barracks that attracted our attention. This is Portal Peak Lodge Store and Cafe and it surely looked like some sort of Hotel. And it was of course. We went in and asked if they had a room for two nights, which they had. A fantastic place that draw our attention because of friendly staff, nice hotel guests and the best, close to fantastic birding. We strongly recommend this place.



Right outside the store you will find big trees, oaks and these harbored many nice birds. Tanagers, Orioles and Warblers *en masse*.

After eating an early lunch we started to explore the "neighborhood". To the east a great "semi desert" stretches out, around the city are many big trees and just outside the hotel was a dried out creek which was really good for migrating Warblers and Vireos. But the best, Cave Creek is around one mile west from the hotel. The road to the Cave Creek can be recommended to be taken by foot. But be careful. Border Patrols may upend you and ask what you are doing due to the close distance to Mexico. That happened to us!

We "forgot" to park our car according to the rules and immediately we had a border patrol wondering what word we did not understand, "NO STOPPING OR PARKING ON PAVEMENT!!!". But we did manage quite well after telling them we were Swedes visiting Portal to see their beautiful birds. We really wonder what notes they wrote. But conclusion, we do not recommend you to park the car as we did. The situation around the border has not changed to the better, we assume.

We got told that nightjars would be easy to spot in the evening on the city outskirts but no, they were not. But we did see a quite rare bird, a Broad-winged Hawk, which is common in eastern USA but very scarce on the western side. We also saw a Northern Goshawk flying by.



*Black-throated Grey Warbler, Portal*

After the interrupt with the border patrol we did continue

to the park. Great birding we must admit. The afternoon was spent around the exit of the park where many large trees attract an enormous amount of Warblers and Vireos such as a Black-throated Grey Warbler. But as we did not really have any good cameras many birds were extremely hard for us to pin point.

After a few hours looking into the trees and up to their tops our necks were aching. Mikael was furthermore asked to wear hat but Mikael explained that there was no need for that. Around three we were finally in the oak forest along the small creek that goes up the Cave Creek Canyon. The trees were more than occupied with Warblers and our lack of knowledge made it all a guesswork. Finally we saw a hole in an oak and we spotted a strange creature in the same, a Whiskered Screech-Owl! What a wonderful bird, one of those "just barely enters USA" species we had longed so much for.



*Whiskered Screech-Owl in Cave Creek*

The main reason to be in the park is probably that it is one of the better spots to see the Elegant Trogon. We did look quite a bit for it in the afternoon but although we went fairly far into the canyon we did not see or hear anything that could be matched to a Trogon. Other species of interest in the canyon were Cassin's Kingbird and Arizona Woodpecker.

Upon leaving the park there was a small open place where a trailer was parked. In front of it were a nice couple that had prepared to photograph Hummingbirds. So far we had not really seen any so we started to talk to them while the different Hummingbirds came to their prepared flowers. We calmed down and sat in the afternoon light and waited. After just a few minutes we did spot not only a Magnificent Hummingbird but also Blue-throated Hummingbird along with the more common Black-chinned Hummingbird. Especially the female Blue-throated Hummingbird cooperated well although mostly sitting at the feeder. At this time we also heard Canyon Wren.

To summarize the first day. We believe the days we were in Portal was optimal for warblers and flycatchers. In Portal and its surroundings we did at least see some ten species of warblers/vireos and around ten different flycatchers.

After heading back to the Lodge we stopped by some large trees and spotted an additional number of migrating birds. The number of birds had now passed well beyond 100.

In the evening we did enjoy the hospitality of the Lodge, took a beer and met many interesting people, such as two elderly widows that although being 85 years old had taken their car from Minneapolis to drive down and bird watch.

At this stage Mikael felt a little nausea and a slight head ache so he headed back to the room. After some final walk through of the sightings it was time to close the first real birding day of Arizona Sky Islands. Tomorrow we had advanced plans to go up early and look for the illusive Elegant Trogon in the creek.



*Female Blue-throated Hummingbird, Cave Creek Canyon*

### DAY 3 BIRDING IN PORTAL AND CAVE CREEK CANYON

Six o'clock Mikael telephone woke us up and after a very humble breakfast we left the lodge to drive the mile to the park entrance. This morning it was really cold, around 32 F° and we both froze extremely. The sun had yet not risen when we suddenly heard a hollow sound around one mile into the park. Then again! At this time we had been climbing the sides of the canyon and had to slide down to be able to get a better view of the trees around the creek. Suddenly, just some 40 yards behind us, right over the trail on a dry branch it was. Hakan took his camera up as slow as possible in order not to scare the rare bird off. After a few seconds Mikael wonder why he does not take any photographs. The camera does not want to cooperate at all. After thinking several swear words Hakan finally gets one lousy shot at it and then it flies. The usual chain of event for Håkan in such situations would mean "never to be seen again", but this time we were lucky. Just a few minutes after it lands right in front of the old Swedes. But it is so dark the old Canon 30D does not really want to cooperate at all.

But with the first 100 exposures both Håkan and the bird calms down and it offers good sightings. Nevertheless it is usually sitting half hidden behind branches, twigs and leaves.



*Elegant Trogon in Cave Creek Canyon*

After the first encounters the Trogon really starts to accompany us as Håkan got quite skilled in mimicking him. A few minutes after the last sighting we encounter a team of like eight professional birders walking with a very high pace. The leader stops us and asks if we have seen the Trogon. Håkan that wish to show his pictures is left behind the very second he say Yes and the team continues along the creek. We believe they had quite a mission to accomplish. Now it was at least warmer again.

Other birds this morning in Cave Creek were Grosbeaks, Redstarts, Red-faced Warbler and Black-headed Grosbeak.



*Lucy's Warbler, note the rufous on the gump*

Back at the lodge we get ourselves a nicer breakfast and starts to plan the remainder of the day. After the breakfast we get information that there are some houses just before entering Portal that have feeders and these are known to get quite interesting visitors. This said we do not want to wait but leave for one of these gardens. Nice people that let you enter their properties to see the beauty of the birds. In the "gardens" we see some additional Hummingbirds, such as the Rufous Hummingbird and some species that we did not get a photo of (female) and thus could not pin point. We also see Bendire's Thrasher, Cassin's Sparrow etc.

We strongly recommend you to ask in the Lodge since they do have connections.



After sitting watching the feeders we left to walk along the riverbed looking for Vireos etc. The sunlight was very intense when Mikael (still not wearing a hat) suddenly gets really ill, a massive headache, nausea and a need to resign from the birding. Sunstroke! One of the last sightings he managed was however a nice Lucy's Warbler that jumped around the dry twigs along the riverbed. Here we also saw Verdin, Ladder-backed Woodpecker, Acorn Woodpecker etc.

Back at the Lodge Mikael falls asleep while Håkan manages with the photos, the list as well as recognizing some unknowns from the photos. One example of hard to specify are all the Flycatchers. In the afternoon Mikael can at least accompany Håkan for a shorter trip in the vicinity of the village. Some flycatchers and orioles are the most interesting birds.

We take an early dinner and then directly to bed. End of Cave Creek.

#### DAY 4 - DRIVING ALONG THE BORDER TO ASH CANYON AND SAN PEDRO HOUSE

As Mikael had felt ill we did not rush in the morning, instead we left the Lodge around 8 o'clock. Today's goal is to reach **Ash Canyon** as we had understood Huachuca was only possible to enter for American citizens. Ash canyon on the other side was well referenced on Internet but we did not really know how to bird the area. But we felt that it is probably not too hard to find a visitor center (it was).

After turning right on Road 80 we drove past the city of Apache and at the same time we saw a very nice Swainson's Hawk sitting close to the road. At Douglas we continued west with the Mexican border just a mile away. Here we saw an Osprey migrating north as well as some Cassin's Kingbirds. The trip with some stops took around three hours so we hit Ash Canyon when the morning was virtually over and the inactivity of the birds was obvious. We did not find any visitor center so we did some *trial and error* and took whatever road that looked promising. And after a while we did find a nice area where we parked the car and went around in the oak woods.



Swainson's Hawk

Here we saw Dusky-capped Flycatcher, Ash-throated Flycatcher, Cassin's Vireo, Bushtit as well as a nice Painted Redstart. But we have to admit that it was not worth all the hours. The time was around half past 12 when we instead aimed for a small nature area called San Pedro House, a nature park some 20 miles from where we were.

After approximately one hour we enter this very nice area along the San Pedro River. At the visitor center you may see what has been spotted the very same day and the staff is skilled. When we arrived we saw that they just reported a Louisiana Waterthrush. Unfortunately we did not see this nice little bird. Anyway, we took a few trails. The first new species was the Gila Woodpecker, then we continued with Lincoln



Vermillion Flycatcher, Sand Pedro House

Sparrow, Summer Tanager and finally the jewel we had desired, the Vermillion Flycatcher. This little red jewel was fairly common the day we were there and we assumed that they had arrived just these days. Our first one was sitting in a pond-like meander. Wonderful bird. Other waterfowl where Spotted Sandpiper, Northern Shoveler.

On the way back to the visitor center we saw a nice Willow Flycatchers as well as a Yellow-throated Warbler and a Brewers Blackbird.

Unfortunately we also missed a Grey Hawk that had passed right outside the center while we walked the trails.

After the stop at San Pedro House we decided to travel up to Saguaro National Park, outside Tucson. Doing so we also drove through the "famous" city Tombstone and the nice rock formations although we did not really see the cliffs.

The Saguaro National Park is located fairly much just southeast of Tucson and driving over Benson is recommended for the great views. But it will take an approximate one and a half hour to get there from San Pedro house. But the road was not crowded at all. When we arrived to the park we paid the entrance fee and prepared to see the Black Hawk that we had dreamt of. Time was around six so the sun had started to set. Pity that we had so little precious daylight left. But I must say that we were both quite tired of birding as the jetlag and also heavy traveling had taken its tribute. Also remember Mikael were still recovering from his sunstroke.

Anyway, the park is great and has a nice road that you can take to see all the cactuses. Due to the limited time we did not really score much. We missed the Black Hawk but instead we got a Great Horned Owl instead as well as a Scaled Quail. At sun set we thought about what to do. Either to try reaching some good birding ground during the night or go back to Lordsburg. We decided for the latter. Lordsburg would be some two and a half hour away and as the clock was about 8 pm we aimed to be there around 10:30. Driving the road we suddenly almost hit a Spotted Owl. A new lifer for us both. Btw, we booked the same lousy Best Western hotel but got a good night's sleep.

#### DAY 5 LORDSBURG OVER GILA MOUNTAINS TO BOSQUE DEL APACHE

The day started early and we had to eat a very lousy breakfast. We drove up to Silver City without really seeing anything. Then we decided to go through the Gila National Forest using road 15 until it meets road 35. Here we then turned to follow road 35. During this stretch we did stop several times and the bird life was not in its best mode. The forest is great though. We got Western Bluebird, Pinyon Jays as well as an American Three-toed Woodpecker. Very nice indeed. Many warblers where seen but they moved fast in the forest so we could not really determine any new species.



*American Three-toed Woodpecker, Gila Mountains*



*Western Bluebird*

Pine Siskins were flying about and suddenly Håkan sees two Band-tailed Pigeons flying right in front of the car. Mikael, who was driving has however difficulties to spot them. We recommend to take it slow in these mountains and rather to take one night in the Gila mountains as it is terrific birding area. Many ravines with plenty of birds.

Road 35 is also a nice birding road. If you have the time you should really spend some time at Lake Roberts. We did not but we did spend at least 30 minutes there. Here we saw the "common" Western Scrub Jay but also Eared Grebe and some other waterfowls. The area has a

camp site but we did not see much people. But we saw the nice Purple Martin. Not far from the camp we spotted a Plumbeous Vireo. So keep your eyes open. We did see many dendroica Warblers but but...



Mule Deers in Bosque Del Apache

After the stop at the lake Robert we started to drive down to Bosque del Apache, a dire trip over approximately three and a half hour including one stop at a McDonalds. We arrived to Bosque Del Apache around quarter to four so we had a few more hours for birding. Now that we knew the area a little better we went for the hot spots directly and saw for example one Hepatic Tanager, one Yellow-hooded Blackbird as well as many waders on the mud flats.

Finally we saw one female Wild Turkey in the grass in the middle of a pond.

We need to add that it is possible to see most of

the western waders at this location.

The final time was spent back at the visitor center where we saw some Meadowlarks as well as a Sage Thrasher.

Around sunset we decided to call it a day and headed back to Albuquerque and a Holiday Inn near the airport. In the evening we saw plenty of forest fires on the mountains. Scary but amazing at the same time.

## DAY 6 FLYING HOME

Although our flight was not supposed to leave until around noon we did not really feel that motivated to go birding again. So we did nothing waiting for the noon flight over Houston and then to Paris. No birds seen at all this day.

After the trip we could definitely had defined and planned for a real New Mexico and Arizona trip. So many areas not visited, so many birds we did not know we should have looked for, for example the Olive Warbler and many other Hummingbirds that we heard were stationary at feeders everywhere.

But we were really grateful to the nice staff at Bosque Del Apache visitor center as well as San Pedro House.

## BIRD CHECKLIST

We summarized our sightings to 189 different species.

ID	English Name	Scientific Name	Location for 1st Observation
1	Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>	Bosque del Apache
2	<b>Clarks Grebe</b>	<i>Aechmophorus clarkii</i>	Bosque del Apache
1	American White Pelican	<i>Pelecanus erythrorhynchos</i>	Bosque del Apache
4	Double-crested Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax auritus /cincinatus</i>	Bosque del Apache
5	Neotropic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax bsailianus</i>	Bosque del Apache
2	Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>	Bosque del Apache
7	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	Bosque del Apache
3	Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>	Bosque del Apache
9	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Bosque del Apache
10	<b>Black-crowned Night-heron</b>	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Bosque del Apache
11	White-faced Ibis	<i>Plegadis chihi</i>	Bosque del Apache
12	Canada Goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>	Bosque del Apache

4	<b>Greater White-fronted Goose</b>	<i>Anser albifrons</i>	Bosque del Apache
14	<b>Snow Goose</b>	<i>Chen caerulensis</i>	Bosque del Apache
15	<b>Wood Duck</b>	<i>Aix sponsa</i>	Bosque del Apache
16	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Bosque del Apache
17	Gadwall	<i>Anas strepera</i>	Bosque del Apache
18	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	Bosque del Apache
19	American Wigeon	<i>Anas americana</i>	Bosque del Apache
20	Northern Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>	San Pedro House
21	<b>Cinnamon Teal</b>	<i>Anas cyanoptera</i>	Bosque del Apache
22	Blue-winged Teal	<i>Anas discors</i>	Bosque del Apache
23	Green-winged Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	Bosque del Apache
24	<b>Redhead</b>	<i>Aythya americana</i>	Bosque del Apache
25	<b>Lesser Scaup</b>	<i>Aythya affinis</i>	Bosque del Apache
26	Bufflehead	<i>Bucephala albeola</i>	Bosque del Apache
27	Ruddy Duck	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>	Bosque del Apache
28	Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	Bosque del Apache
29	<b>American Hen Harrier</b>	<i>Circus hudsonicus</i>	Bosque del Apache
30	<b>Sharp-shinned Hawk</b>	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>	Bosque del Apache
31	American Goshawk	<i>Accipiter atricapillus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
32	<b>Zone-tailed Hawk</b>	<i>Buteo albonotatus</i>	Near Silver City
33	<b>Broad-winged Hawk</b>	<i>Buteo platypterus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
34	<b>Swainsons Hawk</b>	<i>Buteo swainsoni</i>	Bosque del Apache
35	Red-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>	Plum island, Boston
36	<b>Osprey</b>	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	Detroit area
37	American Kestrel	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	Bosque del Apache
38	Gambles Quail	<i>Callipepla gambelii</i>	Silver City
39	<b>Scaled Quail</b>	<i>Callipepla squamata</i>	Saguaro National Park
40	Ring-necked Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	Bosque del Apache
41	Wild Turkey	<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>	Bosque del Apache
42	Common Gallinule	<i>Gallinula galeata</i>	Bosque del Apache
43	American Coot	<i>Fulica americana</i>	Bosque del Apache
44	<b>Sora</b>	<i>Porzana carolina</i>	Bosque del Apache
45	<b>Semipalmated Plover</b>	<i>Charadrius semipalmatus</i>	Bosque del Apache
46	Killdeer	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>	Bosque del Apache
47	American Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra americana</i>	Bosque del Apache
48	Black-necked Stilt	<i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>	Bosque del Apache
49	Greater Yellowleg	<i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>	Bosque del Apache
50	Lesser Yellowleg	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>	Bosque del Apache
51	Solitary Sandpiper	<i>Tringa solitaria</i>	Bosque del Apache
52	Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularia</i>	San Pedro House
53	<b>Marbled Godwit</b>	<i>Limosa fedoa</i>	Bosque del Apache
54	<b>Semipalmated Sandpiper</b>	<i>Calidris pusilla</i>	Bosque del Apache
55	<b>Western Sandpiper</b>	<i>Calidris mauri</i>	Bosque del Apache
56	<b>Least Sandpiper</b>	<i>Calidris minutilla</i>	Bosque del Apache
57	<b>Long-billed Dowitcher</b>	<i>Limnodromus scolopaceus</i>	Bosque del Apache
58	<b>Wilson's Phalarope</b>	<i>Phalaropus tricolor</i>	Bosque del Apache
59	Ring-billed Gull	<i>Larus delawarensis</i>	Lordsburg
60	Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	Albuquerque
61	<b>Band-tailed Pigeon</b>	<i>Patagioenas fasciata</i>	Silverado mountains
62	Mourning Dove	<i>Zenaida macroura</i>	Albuquerque
63	Euroasian Collar Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
64	Greater Roadrunner	<i>Geococcyx californianus</i>	Bosque Del Apache
65	Great Horned Owl	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	Saguaro National Park
66	Spotted Owl	<i>Strix occidentalis</i>	Outside Lordsburg

67	Whiskered Screech-Owl	<i>Otus trichopsis</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
68	Lesser Nighthawk	<i>Chordeiles acutipennis</i>	Silverado
69	Common Poorwill	<i>Phalaenoptilus nuttalli</i>	Silverado
70	White-throated Swift	<i>Aeronautes saxatilis</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
71	Blue-throated Hummingbird	<i>Lampornis clemenciae</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
72	<b>Magnificent Hummingbird</b>	<i>Eugenes fulgens</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
73	Black-chinned Hummingbird	<i>Archilochus alexandri</i>	Phoenix botanical garden
74	<b>Broad-tailed Hummingbird</b>	<i>Selasphorus platycercus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
75	<b>Rufous Hummingbird</b>	<i>Selasphorus rufus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
76	<b>Elegant Trogon</b>	<i>Trogon elegans</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
77	Belted Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>	Bosque del Apache
78	Northern Flicker	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>	Bosque del Apache
79	<b>Gilded Flicker</b>	<i>Colaptes chrysoides</i>	Saguaro National Park
80	<b>Gila Woodpecker</b>	<i>Melanerpes uropygialis</i>	San Pedro House
81	Acorn Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes formicivorus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
82	Downy Woodpecker	<i>Picoides pubescens</i>	Detroit area
83	Hairy Woodpecker	<i>Picoides villosus</i>	Detroit area
84	Ladder-backed Woodpecker	<i>Picoides scalaris</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
85	<b>Arizona Woodpecker</b>	<i>Picoides arizonae</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
86	<b>American Three-toed Woodpecker</b>	<i>Picoides dorsalis</i>	Gila Mountains
87	Red-naped Sapsucker	<i>Sphyrapicus nuchalis</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
88	Northern Beardless -Tyrannulet	<i>Camptostoma imberbe</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
89	Greater Pewee	<i>Contopus pertinax</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
90	Cordilleran Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax occidentalis</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
91	Dusky Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax oberholseri</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
92	Gray Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax wrightii</i>	Bosque del apache
93	Willow Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax trailii</i>	San Pedro House
94	Black Phoebe	<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>	Bosque del Apache
95	<b>Say's Phoebe</b>	<i>Sayornis saya</i>	Bosque del Apache
96	<b>Vermilion Flycatcher</b>	<i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>	San Pedro House
97	<b>Dusky-capped Flycatcher</b>	<i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>	Ash Canyon
98	Ash-throated Flycatcher	<i>Myiarchus cinerascens</i>	Ash Canyon
99	<b>Cassin's Kingbird</b>	<i>Tyrannus vociferans</i>	Portal
100	Western Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus verticalis</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
101	Loggerhead Shrike	<i>Lanius ludociscianus</i>	Everywhere
102	Warbling Vireo	<i>Vireo gilvus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
103	<b>Bell's Vireo</b>	<i>Vireo bellii</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
104	<b>Plumbeous Vireo</b>	<i>Vireo plumbeus</i>	Gila Mountains
105	<b>Cassin's Vireo</b>	<i>Vireo cassinii</i>	Ash Canyon
106	<b>Western Scrub-jay</b>	<i>Aphelocoma californica</i>	Gila Mountains
107	Mexican Jay	<i>Aphelocoma wollweberi</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
108	Pinyon jay	<i>Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus</i>	Gila Mountains
109	American Crow	<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>	Gila Mountains
110	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	Gila Mountains
111	Chihuahuan Raven	<i>Corvus cryptoleucus</i>	Silverado
112	Purple Martin	<i>Progne subis</i>	Silverado
113	Tree Swallow	<i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>	Bosque del apache
114	Northern Rough-winged Swallow	<i>Stelgidopteryx serripennis</i>	Bosque Del Apache
115	Bank Swallow	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Bosque del apache
116	Violet-green Swallow	<i>Tachycineta thalassina</i>	Bosque del apache
117	Cliff Swallow	<i>Petrochelidon pyrrhonata</i>	Bosque del apache
118	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Bosque del Apache
119	Bridled Titmouse	<i>Baeolophus wollweberi</i>	Cave Creek Canyon

120	Juniper Titmouse	<i>Baeolophus ridgwayi</i>	Silverado
121	Mountain Chickadee	<i>Poecile gambeli</i>	Silverado
122	Verdin	<i>Auriparus flaviceps</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
123	Bushtit	<i>Psaltriparus minimus</i>	Ash Canyon
124	White-breasted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
125	Pygmy Nuthatch	<i>Sitta pygmaea</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
126	Brown Creeper	<i>Certhia americana</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
127	Bewick's Wren	<i>Thryomanes bewickii</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
128	House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
129	<b>Canyon Wren</b>	<i>Catherpes mexicanus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
130	Cactus Wren	<i>Campylorhynchus brunneicapillus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
131	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	<i>Regulus calendula</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
132	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	<i>Polioptila caerulea</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
133	Western Bluebird	<i>Sialia mexicana</i>	Gila Mountains
134	American Robin	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
135	Hermit Thrush	<i>Catharus guttatus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
136	Northern Mockingbird	<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>	Bosque del apache
137	<b>Bendire's Trasher</b>	<i>Taxostoma bendirei</i>	Saguaro National Park
138	<b>Curve-billed Trasher</b>	<i>Taxostoma curvirostre</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
139	<b>Sage Trasher</b>	<i>Oreoscoptes montanus</i>	Bosque del apache
140	<b>American Pipit</b>	<i>Anthus rubescens</i>	Bosque del apache
141	European Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Albuquerque
142	Orange-crowned Warbler	<i>Oreothlypis celata</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
143	Virginia's Warbler	<i>Oreothlypis virginiae</i>	Cave creek canyon
144	Yellow Warbler	<i>Setophaga petechia</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
145	Yellow-rumped Warbler	<i>Setophaga coronata</i>	Bosque del apache
146	Black-throated Gray Warbler	<i>Setophaga nigrescens</i>	Silverado
147	Painted Redstart	<i>Myioborus pictus</i>	Ash Canyon
148	MacGillivray's Warbler	<i>Geothlypis tolmiei</i>	Portal
149	Common Yellowthroat	<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
150	Red-faced Warbler	<i>Cardellina rubifrons</i>	Portal
151	Wilson's Warbler	<i>Cardellina pusilla</i>	San Pedro House
152	<b>Hepatic Tanager</b>	<i>Piranga flava</i>	Bosque del apache
153	<b>Summer Tanager</b>	<i>Piranga rubra</i>	San Pedro House
154	<b>Western Tanager</b>	<i>Piranga ludoviciana</i>	Bosque del apache
155	Northern Cardinal	<i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i>	Bosque del apache
156	Pyrrhuloxia	<i>Cardinalis sinuatus</i>	Cave creek canyon
157	<b>Black-headed Grosbeak</b>	<i>Pheucticus melanocephalus</i>	Cave creek canyon
158	Spotted Towhee	<i>Pipilo maculatus</i>	Cave creek canyon
159	Green-tailed Towhee	<i>Pipilo chlorurus</i>	Cave creek canyon
160	Canyon Towhee	<i>Melospiza fusca</i>	Cave creek canyon
161	Cassin's Sparrow	<i>Peucaea cassinii</i>	Cave creek canyon
162	Rufous-crowned Sparrow	<i>Aimophila ruficeps</i>	Cave creek canyon
163	Black-throated Sparrow	<i>Amphispiza bilineata</i>	Cave creek canyon
164	Chipping Sparrow	<i>Spizella passerina</i>	Bosque del apache
165	Brewer's Sparrow	<i>Spizella breweri</i>	Cave creek canyon
166	Savannah Sparrow	<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>	Bosque del apache
167	Vesper Sparrow	<i>Pooecetes gramineus</i>	Cave creek canyon
168	Lark Sparrow	<i>Chondestes grammacus</i>	Cave creek canyon
169	White-throated Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
170	White-crowned Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia atricapilla</i>	Bosque del apache
171	Song Sparrow	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
172	Lincoln's Sparrow	<i>Melospiza lincolni</i>	San Pedro House
173	Dark-eyed Junco	<i>Junco hyemalis</i>	Bosque del apache

174	Yellow-eyed Junco	<i>Junco phaeonotus</i>	Cave creek canyon
175	Western Meadowlark	<i>Sturnella neglecta</i>	Bosque del apache
176	<b>Eastern Meadowlark</b>	<i>Sturnella magma</i>	Ash Canyon
177	Brown-headed Cowbird	<i>Molothrus ater</i>	Bosque del apache
178	Red-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>	Bosque del apache
179	<b>Yellow-headed Blackbird</b>	<i>Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus</i>	Bosque del apache
180	<b>Brewer's Blackbird</b>	<i>Euphagus cyanocephalus</i>	Cave creek canyon
181	Great-tailed Grackle	<i>Quiscalus mexicanus</i>	Bosque del apache
182	<b>Hooded Oriole</b>	<i>Icterus cucullatus</i>	Bosque del apache
183	<b>Bullock's Oriole</b>	<i>Icterus bullockii</i>	Cave creek canyon
184	<b>Scott's Oriole</b>	<i>Icterus parisorum</i>	Cave creek canyon
185	Cassin's Finch	<i>Carpodacus cassinii</i>	Cave creek canyon
186	House Finch	<i>Haemorhous mexicanus</i>	Cave Creek Canyon
187	<b>Lesser Goldfinch</b>	<i>Spinus psaltria</i>	Gila Mountains
188	Pine Siskin	<i>Spinus pinus</i>	Silverado
189	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Albuquerque