# Zumbro Valley Audubon Christmas Bird Count December 14, 2024

Count the maximum number of birds of a species seen at one time. For example, if you see 10 blue jays and 6 cardinals at one time, and 9 blue jays and 12 cardinals another time, count 10 blue jays and 12 cardinals. Please report all species you see, not just those that come to your feeder. **Only count birds observed on December 14, 2024.** 

If you have an unusual or hard-to-find bird coming to your feeder, or if you need help identifying a bird, call Clifford Hansen at 507-281-0249 before the day of the count.



If you see species other than those listed below, add them to the bottom of this form.

SPECIES	MAXIMUM # SEEN
Mourning Dove	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	
Downy Woodpecker	
Hairy Woodpecker	
Blue Jay	
American Crow	
Black-capped Chickadee	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	
White-breasted Nuthatch	
European Starling	
American Tree Sparrow	
Dark-eyed Junco	
Northern Cardinal	
Purple Finch	
House Finch	
Pine Siskin	
American Goldfinch	
House Sparrow	
Hours spent watching feeder:	
Feeder Location:	
Name:	
Phone:	

# JOIN THE 125TH ANNUAL AUDUBON CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024

Make time in your busy schedule for a holiday tradition, the Audubon Christmas Bird Count! Between December 14th and January 5th, birders throughout the western hemisphere will be counting birds on one selected day in over 2000 count circles. **The Rochester CBC will be held Saturday, December 14th.** 

Zumbro Valley Audubon produces strong results each year, typically sighting between 50 and 60 different species. You don't need to be an expert birder to take part. It is an excellent way to learn from experienced birders. If you can't join us in the field, you can still take part by counting the birds coming to your feeder -- the count form is on the reverse side of this flyer.

**New half-day or full-day participants are welcome.** Counting is done from the warmth of cars or on short hikes. To register in advance or for more information contact Clifford Hansen at 507-281-0249 or at clhroch@yahoo.com.

Besides being great fun, the Christmas Bird Count provides long term information on early winter bird distribution and relative population levels. Count results, from 1900 to the present, are available through National Audubon's website at <u>www.audubon.org/conservation/science/christmas-bird-count</u>. Check it out!

#### Want to have even more bird counting fun?

The annual Whitewater River Valley Christmas Bird Count will take place January 1st. Participants will explore the area on foot for short walks and/or by car as they document wintering birds. Anyone with an interest in birds, regardless of birding experience, is invited to participate. Bird watchers of all skill levels are welcome. Meet at the visitor center. To sign up call 507-312-2301.

## Whitewater River Valley Christmas Bird Count

Date: Jan. 1, 2025 Time: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Directions: 3 miles south of Elba on State Hwy 74 More Information: Call 507-312-2301



## Thank you for your participation!

Please mail this completed count form to: Zumbro Valley Audubon Society PO Box 6244 Rochester, MN 55903-6244

or email the form to Clifford Hansen at clhroch@yahoo.com