Okanagan/Similkameen Checklist of Birds



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This status guide to the birds of the Okanagan/Similkameen is based on the assumption that an observer is visiting appropriate habitat for the species in question

	Abundant - likely to be seen every day, often seen in large numbers
	Common - expected daily and found throughout the area
	Uncommon - not reported daily, but seen with repeated effort
	Rare - if present, always in low numbers and hard to find
	Very Rare - usually completely absent; very few records
\longrightarrow	single sighting showing duration of stay
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