

## 2022 Pasadena Audubon Christmas Bird Count: Yard Watcher Data Sheet

Hello Yard Watcher! Thanks for volunteering to be a yard watcher for the Pasadena Audubon Christmas Bird Count (CBC). Your efforts will help us get a more accurate census of the birds in our count circle this year. The purpose of this sheet is to give you a few tips and hints on watching your yard, methods of watching, counting strategies and data return.

Two essential points of clarification: 1. Your yard must be within the Pasadena CBC circle.

You can use the following Christmas Bird Count Map to confirm this:

<https://tinyurl.com/y5z8zust> Type in your address in at the top of the page to see if it falls inside the count circle (you may need to zoom out a little to look for the count boundaries).

2. You are to count birds ONLY on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022! The purpose of the Christmas Bird Count is to record birds within a pre-defined 15-mile diameter count circle in a 24-hour period.

There are two ways to count 1) You can watch your yard in a solid block - ideally starting in the morning or evening when birds are most active or 2) you can watch casually over the day.

The most important information that we MUST have is: 1) How long you watched for in total 2) The maximum number of an individual species that you had at one time. This means you aren't adding up and writing on the form the number of House Finches that you saw during the day but writing in the most that you could see at any one moment in time. 3) The number of people in your household counting.

Below I have created a form that will cover the most likely visitors to your yard. It may be that you have something less expected, so I have left room for you to write those species in. If something that you see during your count is rare for our area it may be that we need to contact you to clarify the identification.

Once you have completed your count and filled out your sheet please send it to Luke Tiller at Pasadena Audubon [Luke.Tiller@gmail.com](mailto:Luke.Tiller@gmail.com). A photo of the sheet emailed is probably simplest. Be sure to include your name, address and time spent watching. PAS need to submit data by mid-January, so procrastinating may result in your efforts not being included in the national census.

Thanks again for helping out!

Luke Tiller, PAS President

Below are listed some of the common yard birds that are often found in Pasadena. This is by no means a comprehensive list nor does it include things like gulls, ducks, and other birds that might fly by your yard. Feel free to supplement this by using the additional spaces.

Names of Counters: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Counters: \_\_\_\_\_ PAS members? Y/N Time counting in hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your email \_\_\_\_\_

California Quail		Hermit Thrush	
Rock Pigeon		American Robin	
Band-tailed Pigeon		Cedar Waxwing	
Eurasian Collared-Dove		House Sparrow	
Mourning Dove		House Finch	
Anna's Hummingbird		Purple Finch	
Allen's Hummingbird		Lesser Goldfinch	
Turkey Vulture		American Goldfinch	
Cooper's Hawk		Pine Siskin	
Red-tailed Hawk		Chipping Sparrow	
Acorn Woodpecker		Dark-eyed Junco	
Nuttall's Woodpecker		White-crowned Sparrow	
Northern Flicker		California Towhee	
Red-crowned Parrot		Spotted Towhee	
Black Phoebe		Brown-headed Cowbird	
Cassin's Kingbird		Brewer's Blackbird	
California Scrub-Jay		Orange-crowned Warbler	
American Crow		Yellow-rumped Warbler	
Common Raven			
Mountain Chickadee			
Oak Titmouse			
Red-whiskered Bulbul			
Bushtit			
Ruby-crowned Kinglet			
White-breasted Nuthatch			
House Wren			
Bewick's Wren			
European Starling			
Northern Mockingbird			
Western Bluebird			