

Hamilton Region Bird List

This list was compiled in 2010 from HFNC records and members' experience and it covers an area of ~50 km radius from Hamilton.

The 246 species in this list are grouped as **Water Birds**, **Birds of Prey**, **Other Native Species** and **Introduced species**. The nomenclature of Christidis and Boles (2008) has been used.

Given the appropriate habitat and season, the likelihood of seeing a particular species may be gauged from the **Status** column (**S**):

C = common, **M** = moderately common, **U** = uncommon, **R** = rare, **V** = vagrant, **E** = escapee.

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	S			
Water Birds					
Magpie Goose	<i>Anseranas semipalmata</i>	U	Blue-billed Duck	<i>Oxyura australis</i>	U
Plumed Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna eytoni</i>	R	Australasian Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	C
Musk Duck	<i>Biziura lobata</i>	C	Hoary-headed Grebe	<i>Poliiocephalus poliocephalus</i>	C
Freckled Duck	<i>Stictonetta naevosa</i>	R	Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	U
Cape Barren Goose	<i>Cereopsis novaehollandiae</i>	R	Black-browed Albatross	<i>Thalassarche melanophris</i>	V
Black Swan	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	C	Fairy Prion	<i>Pachyptila turtur</i>	V
Australian Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadornoides</i>	C	Australasian Darter	<i>Anhinga novehollandiae</i>	U
Australian Wood Duck	<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	C	Little Pied Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>	C
Pink-eared Duck	<i>Malacorhynchus membranaceus</i>	M	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	C
Australasian Shoveler	<i>Anas rhynchotis</i>	M	Little Black Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	C
Grey Teal	<i>Anas gracilis</i>	C	Pied Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	R
Chestnut Teal	<i>Anas castanea</i>	M	Australian Pelican	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	M
Northern Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	R	Australasian Bittern	<i>Botaurus poiciloptilus</i>	U
Pacific Black Duck	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	C	Australian Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus dubius</i>	R
Hardhead	<i>Aythya australis</i>	M	White-necked Heron	<i>Ardea pacifica</i>	C
			Eastern Great Egret	<i>Ardea modesta</i>	M
			Intermediate Egret	<i>Ardea intermedia</i>	R
			Cattle Egret	<i>Ardea ibis</i>	M
			White-faced Heron	<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	C
			Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	R
			Nankeen Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	U
			Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	U
			Australian White Ibis	<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	C
			Straw-necked Ibis	<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>	C
			Royal Spoonbill	<i>Platalea regia</i>	M
			Yellow-billed Spoonbill	<i>Platalea flavipes</i>	M
			Brolga	<i>Grus rubicunda</i>	M
			Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	C
			Lewin's Rail	<i>Lewinia pectoralis</i>	U
			Buff-banded Rail	<i>Gallirallus philippensis</i>	U
			Baillon's Crake	<i>Porzana pusilla</i>	U
			Australian Spotted Crake	<i>Porzana fluminea</i>	M
			Spotless Crake	<i>Porzana tabuensis</i>	M
			Black-tailed Native-hen	<i>Tribonyx ventralis</i>	M

Dusky Moorhen	<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	C	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	V
Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	C	Brown Goshawk	<i>Accipiter fasciatus</i>	M
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	M	Collared Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter cirrocephalus</i>	C
Red-necked Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra novaehollandiae</i>	M	Grey Goshawk	<i>Accipiter novaehollandiae</i>	R
Banded Stilt	<i>Cladorhynchus leucocephalus</i>	U	Spotted Harrier	<i>Circus assimilis</i>	U
Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	R	Swamp Harrier	<i>Circus approximans</i>	C
Red-capped Plover	<i>Charadrius ruficapillus</i>	C	Wedge-tailed Eagle	<i>Aquila audax</i>	C
Double-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius bicinctus</i>	U	Little Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus morphnoides</i>	U
Black-fronted Dotterel	<i>Elseyornis melanops</i>	C	Nankeen Kestrel	<i>Falco cenchroides</i>	C
Red-kneed Dotterel	<i>Erythronyus cinctus</i>	M	Brown Falcon	<i>Falco berigora</i>	C
Banded Lapwing	<i>Vanellus tricolor</i>	U	Australian Hobby	<i>Falco longipennis</i>	U
Masked Lapwing	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	C	Black Falcon	<i>Falco subniger</i>	R
Latham's Snipe	<i>Gallinago hardwickii</i>	M	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	U
Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	R			
Eastern Curlew	<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>	R	Other Native Species		
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	R	Emu	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	C
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	U	Stubble Quail	<i>Coturnix pectoralis</i>	C
Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	R	Brown Quail	<i>Coturnix ypsilophora</i>	U
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	R	King Quail	<i>Excalfactoria chinensis</i>	R
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	R	Common Bronzewing	<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	C
Red-necked Stint	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	M	Brush Bronzewing	<i>Phaps elegans</i>	M
Pectoral Sandpiper	<i>Calidris melanotos</i>	R	Crested Pigeon	<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	M
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	C	Diamond Dove	<i>Geopelia cuneata</i>	V
Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	R	Peaceful Dove	<i>Geopelia striata</i>	R
Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelocheledon nilotica</i>	R	Tawny Frogmouth	<i>Podargus strigoides</i>	M
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	R	Spotted Nightjar	<i>Eurostopodus argus</i>	R
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	M	Australian Owllet-Nightjar	<i>Aegotheles cristatus</i>	U
Silver Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae</i>	C	White-throated Needletail	<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	M
			Fork-tailed Swift	<i>Apus pacificus</i>	M
Birds of Prey			Australian Bustard	<i>Ardeotis australis</i>	V
Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus axillaris</i>	C	Bush Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus grallarius</i>	R
Square-tailed Kite	<i>Lophoictinia isura</i>	R	Painted Button-quail	<i>Turnix varius</i>	U
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	U	Little Button-quail	<i>Turnix velox</i>	R
Whistling Kite	<i>Haliastur sphenurus</i>	C	Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo	<i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i>	R

Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	<i>Calyptorhynchus funereus</i>	C	Chestnut-rumped Heathwren	<i>Hylacola pyrrhopygia</i>	R
Gang-gang Cockatoo	<i>Callocephalon fimbriatum</i>	M	Striated Fieldwren	<i>Calamanthus fuliginosus</i>	M
Galah	<i>Eolophus roseicapillus</i>	C	Speckled Warbler	<i>Chthonicola sagittata</i>	U
Long-billed Corella	<i>Cacatua tenuirostris</i>	C	Weebill	<i>Smicronis brevirostris</i>	U
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	C	White-throated Gerygone	<i>Gerygone albogularis</i>	R
Cockatiel	<i>Nymphicus hollandicus</i>	R	Striated Thornbill	<i>Acanthiza lineata</i>	M
Rainbow Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	C	Yellow Thornbill	<i>Acanthiza nana</i>	M
Musk Lorikeet	<i>Glossopsitta concinna</i>	M	Yellow-rumped Thornbill	<i>Acanthiza chrysorrhoa</i>	C
Little Lorikeet	<i>Glossopsitta pusilla</i>	U	Buff-rumped Thornbill	<i>Acanthiza reguloides</i>	M
Purple-crowned Lorikeet	<i>Glossopsitta porphyrocephala</i>	M	Brown Thornbill	<i>Acanthiza pusilla</i>	C
Crimson Rosella	<i>Platycercus elegans</i>	C	Southern Whiteface	<i>Aphelocephala leucopsis</i>	R
Eastern Rosella	<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	C	Spotted Pardalote	<i>Pardalotus punctatus</i>	C
Swift Parrot	<i>Lathamus discolor</i>	R	Striated Pardalote	<i>Pardalotus striatus</i>	C
Red-rumped Parrot	<i>Psephotus haematonotus</i>	C	Eastern Spinebill	<i>Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris</i>	C
Budgerigar	<i>Melopsittacus undulatus</i>	R	Yellow-faced Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus chrypsos</i>	C
Blue-winged Parrot	<i>Neophema chrysostoma</i>	M	Singing Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus virescens</i>	R
Eastern Koel	<i>Eudynamis orientalis</i>	V	White-eared Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus leucotis</i>	C
Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	<i>Chalcites basalis</i>	C	Yellow-tufted Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus melanops</i>	U
Black-eared Cuckoo	<i>Chalcites osculans</i>	R	Yellow-plumed Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus ornatus</i>	R
Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	<i>Chalcites lucidus</i>	C	Fuscous Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus fuscus</i>	M
Pallid Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis pallidus</i>	M	White-plumed Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus penicillatus</i>	C
Fan-tailed Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis</i>	M	White-fronted Honeyeater	<i>Pumella albigrons</i>	R
Powerful Owl	<i>Ninox strenua</i>	R	Noisy Miner	<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	R
Southern Boobook	<i>Ninox novaeseelandiae</i>	C	Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater	<i>Acanthagenys rufogularis</i>	R
Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica</i>	U	Little Wattlebird	<i>Anthochaera chrysoptera</i>	M
Azure Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx azureus</i>	R	Red Wattlebird	<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	C
Laughing Kookaburra	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	C	Orange Chat	<i>Epthianura aurifrons</i>	V
Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>	M	White-fronted Chat	<i>Epthianura albifrons</i>	C
Rainbow Bee-eater	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	R	Black Honeyeater	<i>Sugomel niger</i>	V
White-throated Treecreeper	<i>Cormobates leucophaea</i>	C	Tawny-crowned Honeyeater	<i>Glyciphila melanops</i>	R
Brown Treecreeper	<i>Climacteris picumnus</i>	M	Crescent Honeyeater	<i>Phylidonyris pyrrhopterus</i>	U
Superb Fairy-wren	<i>Malurus cyaneus</i>	C	New Holland Honeyeater	<i>Phylidonyris novaehollandiae</i>	C
Southern Emu-wren	<i>Stipiturus malachurus</i>	U	Black-chinned Honeyeater	<i>Melithreptus gularis</i>	U
White-browed Scrubwren	<i>Sericornis frontalis</i>	C	Brown-headed Honeyeater	<i>Melithreptus brevirostris</i>	M

White-naped Honeyeater	<i>Melithreptus lunatus</i>	C	Red-capped Robin	<i>Petroica goodenovii</i>	R
Painted Honeyeater	<i>Grantiella picta</i>	R	Flame Robin	<i>Petroica phoenicea</i>	M
White-browed Babbler	<i>Pomatostomus superciliosus</i>	M	Rose Robin	<i>Petroica rosea</i>	R
Spotted Quail-thrush	<i>Cinclosoma punctatum</i>	R	Pink Robin	<i>Petroica rodinogaster</i>	U
Varied Sittella	<i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera</i>	M	Hooded Robin	<i>Melanodryas cucullata</i>	R
Ground Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina maxima</i>	V	Eastern Yellow Robin	<i>Eopsaltria australis</i>	M
Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	M	Horsfield's Bushlark	<i>Mirafra javanica</i>	R
White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina papuensis</i>	U	Golden-headed Cisticola	<i>Cisticola exilis</i>	C
White-winged Triller	<i>Lalage sueurii</i>	M	Australian Reed-Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus australis</i>	C
Crested Shrike-tit	<i>Falcunculus frontatus</i>	M	Little Grassbird	<i>Megalurus gramineus</i>	C
Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>	M	Rufous Songlark	<i>Cincloramphus mathewsi</i>	M
Rufous Whistler	<i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>	C	Brown Songlark	<i>Cincloramphus cruralis</i>	C
Grey Shrike-thrush	<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>	C	Silvereye	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>	C
Olive-backed Oriole	<i>Oriolus sagittatus</i>	R	Welcome Swallow	<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	C
Masked Woodswallow	<i>Artamus personatus</i>	R	Fairy Martin	<i>Petrochelidon ariel</i>	M
White-browed Woodswallow	<i>Artamus superciliosus</i>	U	Tree Martin	<i>Petrochelidon nigricans</i>	C
Dusky Woodswallow	<i>Artamus cyanopterus</i>	M	Bassian Thrush	<i>Zoothera lunulata</i>	U
Australian Magpie	<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	C	Mistletoebird	<i>Dicaeum hirundinaceum</i>	M
Pied Currawong	<i>Strepera graculina</i>	C	Red-browed Finch	<i>Neochmia temporalis</i>	M
Grey Currawong	<i>Strepera versicolor</i>	C	Diamond Firetail	<i>Stagonopleura guttata</i>	R
Rufous Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufifrons</i>	R	Australasian Pipit	<i>Anthus novaeseelandiae</i>	C
Grey Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa</i>	C			
Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	C	Introduced Species		
Australian Raven	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	R	Common Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	E
Forest Raven	<i>Corvus tasmanicus</i>	M	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	C
Little Raven	<i>Corvus mellori</i>	C	Spotted Dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	R
Leaden Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra rubecula</i>	V	Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	C
Satin Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra cyanoleuca</i>	U	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	C
Restless Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra inquieta</i>	M	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	C
Black-faced Monarch	<i>Monarcha melanopsis</i>	V	Common Myna	<i>Sturnus tristis</i>	R
Magpie-lark	<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	C	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	C
White-winged Chough	<i>Corcorax melanorhamphos</i>	M	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	C
Jacky Winter	<i>Microeca fascinans</i>	M	Common Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>	M
Scarlet Robin	<i>Petroica boodang</i>	C			