

SIGNATURE BIRDS OF ARIZONA'S SKY ISLANDS

These species are top attractions to birders in our area.

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Taxonomy according to: eBird, Cornell Lab of Ornithology

Thirtyfive SIGNATURE SPECIES:

Main Occurrence is in Pine Oak Woodland & Sycamore Canyons

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| 1. Montezuma Quail | |
| 2. Mexican Whip-poor-will | Shaded canyons |
| 3. Rivoli's Hummingbird | |
| 4. Blue-throated Mountain-gem | Riparian |
| 5. Broad-billed Hummingbird | |
| 6. White-eared Hummingbird | RARE |
| 7. Berylline Hummingbird | RARE |
| 8. Zone-tailed Hawk | Mountain canyons |
| 9. Whiskered Screech-Owl | |
| 10. Elf Owl | |
| 11. Elegant Trogon | Sycamore canyons |
| 12. Arizona Woodpecker | |
| 13. Greater Pewee | |
| 14. Buff-breasted Flycatcher | Open pine/grass |
| 15. Dusky-capped Flycatcher | |
| 16. Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher | Sycamore riparian |
| 17. Mexican Jay | |
| 18. Mexican Chickadee | Mixed conifer |
| 19. Bridled Titmouse | |
| 20. Olive Warbler | Ponderosa Pine |
| 21. Yellow-eyed Junco | |
| 22. Red-faced Warbler | |
| 23. Painted Redstart | |



Montezuma Quail
Narca Moore
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Main Occurrence is in Drier and Lower Elevation Habitats

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| 24. Mexican Duck | Aquatic, riparian |
| 25. Lucifer Hummingbird | Scrub |
| 26. Violet-crowned Hummingbird | Scrub, riparian |
| 27. Thick-billed Kingbird | Sycamore riparian & scrub |
| 28. Rose-throated Becard | Sycamore riparian |
| 29. Rufous-winged Sparrow | Scrub, grasslands |
| 30. Five-striped Sparrow | LOCAL in SEAZ, scrub |

Grasslands, Scrub, & Associated Riparian & Aquatic Habitats

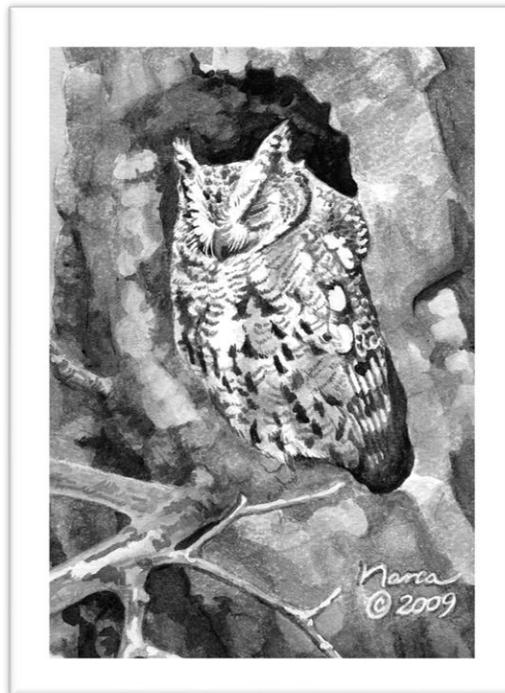
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| 31. Common Black-Hawk | Riparian |
| 32. Gray Hawk | Riparian |
| 33. Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet | Scrub |
| 34. Botteri's Sparrow | Scrub, grasslands |
| 35. Varied Bunting | Scrub |

HIGHLY UNEXPECTED, BUT ALSO POSSIBLE:

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| • Plain-capped Starthroat | VERY RARE |
| • Eared (Trogon) Quetzal | VERY RARE |
| • Blue Mockingbird | VERY RARE |
| • Crescent-chested Warbler | VERY RARE |
| • Yellow Grosbeak | VERY RARE |

WATCH FOR THESE Widely-recognized Subspecies:

- Northern Goshawk (Apache)
- Brown Creeper (Mexican)
- House Wren (Brown-throated)



Whiskered Screech-Owl
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