



Welcome to your TARGET LIST 2026

Of course, the beauty of birdwatching is that pretty much anything can appear at any time, but the species on this list can all be expected to turn up in the UK over the course of a year, so use it to record what you've seen, and to work out where and when your best chance of seeing each bird is.

Habitats are generalised guides to where each bird is most frequently encountered. They are not hard and fast. Similarly, the indicators of the time of year are just indicators about when a bird is most often seen, not fixed rules.

XXX Common
XX Less common or scarce
X More scarce or rare
R Resident all year
S Summer visitor
W Winter visitor
P Passage
V Vagrant (rare)

BIRD	ABUNDANCE	STATUS	BIRD	ABUNDANCE	STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> Mute Swan	XXX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Ferruginous Duck	X	V
<input type="checkbox"/> Bewick's Swan	XX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Tufted Duck	XXX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Whooper Swan	XX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Scaup	XX	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Taiga Bean Goose	X	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Eider	XXX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Tundra Bean Goose	X	W	<input type="checkbox"/> King Eider	X	V
<input type="checkbox"/> Pink-footed Goose	XXX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Long-tailed Duck	XX	W
<input type="checkbox"/> White-fronted Goose	XX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Scoter	XXX	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Greylag Goose	XXX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Velvet Scoter	XX	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose	XXX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Goldeneye	XXX	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Barnacle Goose	XX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Smew	X	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Brent Goose	XX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Merganser	XX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Egyptian Goose	XX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Goosander	XX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Shelduck	XXX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Duck	X	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin	XX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Grouse	XXX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Wigeon	XXX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Ptarmigan	XX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> American Wigeon	X	V	<input type="checkbox"/> Black Grouse	XX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Gadwall	XX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Capercaillie	X	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Teal	XXX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-legged Partridge	XXX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Green-winged Teal	X	V	<input type="checkbox"/> Grey Partridge	XX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	XXX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Quail	X	S
<input type="checkbox"/> Pintail	XX	W	<input type="checkbox"/> Pheasant	XXX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Garganey	XX	S	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-throated Diver	XX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Shoveler	XXX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated Diver	XX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-crested Pochard	X	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Northern Diver	XX	W
<input type="checkbox"/> Pochard	XXX	R	<input type="checkbox"/> Fulmar	XXX	R
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck	X	V	<input type="checkbox"/> Cory's Shearwater	X	V