Local and Visiting Birds
Most of the 91 species of birds on this list are not found in the park at all times. Many are seasonal visitors, and a few are seen only once every few years.

Lynn Canyon Park is a Temperate Rainforest
Temperate rainforest habitat is dominated by large conifer trees. Douglas-firs, western redcedars and western hemlocks tower over a rich understory of shrubs and flowering plants. The forest in Lynn Canyon Park is second-growth temperate rainforest and most of the larger trees are approximately 90 to 120 years-old. Red-tailed and sharp-shinned hawks nest in the tall trees, 5 species of woodpecker excavate cavities in wildlife trees, and the dense ground cover is excellent habitat for wrens and other songbirds. Fast flowing Lynn Creek is an excellent place to watch for dippers.

Bird watching in the Forest
To see birds in a forested area do the following:
• Dress in dull coloured clothing
• Bird watch alone or in pairs. Groups will not see much.
• Sit still in one place for fifteen minutes or more.
• Choose a place which affords you cover and a good view.
• Do not make quick movements such as pointing or waving.

Legend - For Lynn Canyon Park Only
R - resident all year in the area
S - summer resident, May through August
W - winter resident, November through January
M - migrant, passes through the area in September and October or February through April
C - common, almost always seen
Fc - fairly common, regularly seen
U - uncommon, not always seen
Ra - rare, seen a few times a year
V-ra - very rare, not seen every year

- Great blue heron R, U
- Mallard R, U
- Wood duck S, Ra
- Harlequin duck S, Ra
- Common merganser R, U
- Hooded merganser S, Ra
- Spotted sandpiper S, Ra
- Northern goshawk R, V-ra
- Sharp-shinned hawk R, Ra
- Cooper’s hawk R, Ra
- Bald eagle R, Ra
- Red-tailed hawk R, U
- Merlin R, V-ra
- Sooty grouse R, Ra
- Ruffed grouse R, Ra
- Glaucous-winged gull R, Ra
- Bonaparte’s gull M, Ra
- Band-tailed pigeon S, U
- Eurasian collared-dove S, U
- Western screech owl R, V-ra
- Northern pygmy owl R, V-ra
- Barred owl R, U
- Long eared owl R, V-ra
- Saw-whet owl R, Ra
- Great horned owl R, V-ra
- Common nighthawk S, U
Bird Checklist
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- Black swift          S, Ra
- Vaux swift           S, Ra
- Rufous hummingbird   S, Fc
- Anna’s hummingbird   R, Fc
- Belted kingfisher    R, U
- Northern flicker     R, Fc
- Pileated woodpecker  R, Fc
- Red breasted sapsucker R, Fc
- Hairy woodpecker     R, Fc
- Downy woodpecker     R, Fc
- Western wood-peewee  S, U
- Hammond’s flycatcher M, U
- Pacific-slope flycatcher S, U
- Willow flycatcher    S, U
- Olive-sided flycatcher S, U
- Violet-green swallow S, U
- Tree swallow         S, U
- Barn swallow         S, U
- Cliff swallow        S, U
- Rough-winged swallow S, U
- Steller’s jay        R, C
- Common raven         R, C
- Northwestern crow    R, C
- Black-capped chickadee R, C
- Chestnut-backed chickadee R, C
- Bush tit             S, Fc
- Red-breasted nuthatch R, Fc
- Brown creeper        R, Fc
- American dipper      R, U
- Pacific Wren         R, C
- Bewick’s Wren        S, U
- American Robin       S, C
- Varied thrush        R, C winter
- Hermit thrush        S, U
- Swainson’s thrush    S, Fc
- Townsend’s solitaire M, Ra
- Golden-crowned kinglet R, C
- Ruby-crowned kinglet R, U
- Cedar waxwing        S, U
- European starling    S, U
- Hutton’s vireo       R, U
- Solitary vireo       S, U
- Red-eyed vireo       S, U
- Warbling vireo       S, U
- Orange-crowned warbler S, Fc
- Yellow warbler       S, Fc
- Yellow-rumped warbler S, U
- Townsend’s warbler   S, Fc
- MacGillivray’s warbler S, U
- Wilson’s warbler     S, Fc
- Black-throated gray warbler S, U
- Brown-headed cowbird S, U
- Western tanager      S, U
- American Goldfinch   S, U
- Black-headed grosbeak S, U
- Evening grosbeak     R, U
- Purple finch         R, U
- House finch          R, Fc
- Pine siskin          R, U
- Red crossbill        R, U
- Spotted towhee       R, C
- Dark-eyed junco      R, C
- White-crowned sparrow M, U
- Fox sparrow          W, U
- Song sparrow         R, C

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