State birds of all 50 states

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The official bird of every state and the District of Columbia, its scientific name, and the year the state chose it.

STATE	STATE BIRD	SCIENTIFIC NAME	YEAR
Alabama	Northern Flicker	*Colaptes auratus*	1927
Alaska	Willow Ptarmigan	*Lagopus lagopus*	1955
Arizona	Cactus Wren	*Campylorhynchus brunneicapillus*	1931
Arkansas	Northern Mockingbird	*Mimus polyglottos*	1929
California	California Quail	*Callipepla californica*	1931
Colorado	Lark Bunting	*Calamospiza melanocorys*	1931
Connecticut	American Robin	*Turdus migratorius*	1943
Delaware	Blue Hen Chicken	a farm chicken breed	1939
District of Columbia*	Wood Thrush	*Hylocichla mustelina*	1967
Florida	Northern Mockingbird	*Mimus polyglottos*	1927
Georgia	Brown Thrasher	*Toxostoma rufum*	1970
Hawaii	Hawaiian Goose (Nēnē)	*Branta sandvicensis*	1957
Idaho	Mountain Bluebird	*Sialia currucoides*	1931
Illinois	Northern Cardinal	*Cardinalis cardinalis*	1929
Indiana	Northern Cardinal	*Cardinalis cardinalis*	1933
Iowa	American Goldfinch	*Spinus tristis*	1933
Kansas	Western Meadowlark	*Sturnella neglecta*	1937
Kentucky	Northern Cardinal	*Cardinalis cardinalis*	1926
Louisiana	Brown Pelican	*Pelecanus occidentalis*	1966
Maine	Black-capped Chickadee	*Poecile atricapillus*	1927
Maryland	Baltimore Oriole	*Icterus galbula*	1947
Massachusetts	Black-capped Chickadee	*Poecile atricapillus*	1941
Michigan	American Robin	*Turdus migratorius*	1931
Minnesota	Common Loon	*Gavia immer*	1961
Mississippi	Northern Mockingbird	*Mimus polyglottos*	1944
Missouri	Eastern Bluebird	*Sialia sialis*	1927
Montana	Western Meadowlark	*Sturnella neglecta*	1931
Nebraska	Western Meadowlark	*Sturnella neglecta*	1929
Nevada	Mountain Bluebird	*Sialia currucoides*	1967
New Hampshire	Purple Finch	*Haemorhous purpureus*	1957
New Jersey	American Goldfinch	*Spinus tristis*	1935
New Mexico	Greater Roadrunner	*Geococcyx californianus*	1949
New York	Eastern Bluebird	*Sialia sialis*	1970
North Carolina	Northern Cardinal	*Cardinalis cardinalis*	1943
North Dakota	Western Meadowlark	*Sturnella neglecta*	1947
Ohio	Northern Cardinal	*Cardinalis cardinalis*	1933
Oklahoma	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	*Tyrannus forficatus*	1951
Oregon	Western Meadowlark	*Sturnella neglecta*	1927
Pennsylvania	Ruffed Grouse	*Bonasa umbellus*	1931
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Red	a farm chicken breed	1954
South Carolina	Carolina Wren	*Thryothorus ludovicianus*	1948
South Dakota	Ring-necked Pheasant	*Phasianus colchicus*	1943
Tennessee	Northern Mockingbird	*Mimus polyglottos*	1933
Texas	Northern Mockingbird	*Mimus polyglottos*	1927
Utah	California Gull	*Larus californicus*	1955
Vermont	Hermit Thrush	*Catharus guttatus*	1941
Virginia	Northern Cardinal	*Cardinalis cardinalis*	1950
Washington	American Goldfinch	*Spinus tristis*	1951
West Virginia	Northern Cardinal	*Cardinalis cardinalis*	1949
Wisconsin	American Robin	*Turdus migratorius*	1949
Wyoming	Western Meadowlark	*Sturnella neglecta*	1927

* The District of Columbia isn't a state. This is its official bird.

Year: when the state chose its bird, from the state's own record (a law, resolution or proclamation). Each state's page at mybirdfolio.com/state-birds links that record.

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