The Herts List

311 species

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Name	**Scientific name**	**Status**	**Records**	**Year**	**Location**
Brent Goose	*Branta bernicla*	County scarcity			
Canada Goose	*Branta canadensis*				
Barnacle Goose	*Branta leucopsis*				
Greylag Goose	*Anser anser*				
Pink-footed Goose	*Anser brachyrhynchus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Wilstone Res
Tundra Bean Goose	*Anser serrirostris*	COUNTY RARITY	4	2011	Tyttenhanger GPs
White-fronted Goose	*Anser albifrons*	County scarcity			
Mute Swan	*Cygnus olor*				
Bewick's Swan	*Cygnus columbianus*	County scarcity			
Whooper Swan	*Cygnus cygnus*	County scarcity			
Egyptian Goose	*Alopochen aegyptiaca*				
Shelduck	*Tadorna tadorna*				
Mandarin	*Aix galericulata*				
Garganey	*Spatula querquedula*	County scarcity			
Blue-winged Teal	*Spatula discors*	NATIONAL RARITY	4	2000	Wilstone Res
Shoveler	*Spatula clypeata*				
Gadwall	*Mareca strepera*				
Falcated Duck	*Mareca falcata*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1999	Wilstone Res
Wigeon	*Mareca penelope*				
American Wigeon	*Mareca americana*	COUNTY RARITY	4	2023	Wilstone Res
Mallard	*Anas platyrhynchos*				
Pintail	*Anas acuta*				
Teal	*Anas crecca*				
Red-crested Pochard	*Netta rufina*				
Pochard	*Aythya ferina*				
Ferruginous Duck	*Aythya nyroca*	NATIONAL RARITY	10+	2024	Bury and Pynesfield Lakes
Ring-necked Duck	*Aythya collaris*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2021	Cheshunt GPs
Tufted Duck	*Aythya fuligula*				
Scaup	*Aythya marila*	County scarcity			
Lesser Scaup	*Aythya affinis*	NATIONAL RARITY	3	2003	Stocker's Lake
Eider	*Somateria mollissima*	COUNTY RARITY	9	2019	Hilfield Park Res
Velvet Scoter	*Melanitta fusca*	COUNTY RARITY	8	1991	Startop's End Res
Common Scoter	*Melanitta nigra*	County scarcity			
Long-tailed Duck	*Clangula hyemalis*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2023	Tringford Res
Goldeneye	*Bucephala clangula*				
Smew	*Mergellus albellus*	County scarcity			
Goosander	*Mergus merganser*				
Red-breasted Merganser	*Mergus serrator*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2021	Wilstone Res
Ruddy Duck	*Oxyura jamaicensis*	County scarcity			
Red-legged Partridge	*Alectoris rufa*				
Grey Partridge	*Perdix perdix*				
Quail	*Coturnix coturnix*	County scarcity			
Pheasant	*Phasianus colchicus*				
Lady Amherst's Pheasant	*Chrysolophus amherstiae*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	1995	Wigginton
Red-throated Diver	*Gavia stellata*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2012	near Tring
Black-throated Diver	*Gavia arctica*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	1996	Cheshunt GPs
Great Northern Diver	*Gavia immer*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2023	Stanstead Innings
Storm Petrel	*Hydrobates pelagicus*	COUNTY RARITY	8	2016	Spellbrook
Leach's Petrel	*Hydrobates leucorhous*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2009	Wilstone Res
Fulmar	*Fulmarus glacialis*	COUNTY RARITY	9	2020	near Baldock
Manx Shearwater	*Puffinus puffinus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2011	Hitchin
Little Grebe	*Tachybaptus ruficollis*				
Red-necked Grebe	*Podiceps grisegena*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2023	Hilfield Park Res
Great Crested Grebe	*Podiceps cristatus*				
Slavonian Grebe	*Podiceps auritus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2017	Hilfield Park Res
Black-necked Grebe	*Podiceps nigricollis*	County scarcity			
Black Stork	*Ciconia nigra*	NATIONAL RARITY	4	2008	Tring

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White Stork	*Ciconia ciconia*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Stocker's Farm
Glossy Ibis	*Plegadis falcinellus*	COUNTY RARITY	6	2023	Rye Meads
Spoonbill	*Platalea leucorodia*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Wilstone Res
Bittern	*Botaurus stellaris*	County scarcity			
Little Bittern	*Ixobrychus minutus*	NATIONAL RARITY	8	2019	Amwell NR
Night Heron	*Nycticorax nycticorax*	COUNTY RARITY	6	2023	Hilfield Park Res
Squacco Heron	*Ardeola ralloides*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1979	Rye Meads
Cattle Egret	*Bubulcus ibis*	County scarcity			
Grey Heron	*Ardea cinerea*				
Purple Heron	*Ardea purpurea*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2021	Amwell NR
Great White Egret	*Ardea alba*	County scarcity			
Little Egret	*Egretta garzetta*				
Gannet	*Morus bassanus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Winch Hill Farm near Luton
Shag	*Gulosus aristotelis*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2019	Tring Res
Cormorant	*Phalacrocorax carbo*				
Osprey	*Pandion haliaetus*	County scarcity			
Honey Buzzard	*Pernis apivorus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Baldock
Sparrowhawk	*Accipiter nisus*				
Goshawk	*Accipiter gentilis*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	North Mymms Park
Marsh Harrier	*Circus aeruginosus*	County scarcity			
Hen Harrier	*Circus cyaneus*	County scarcity			
Pallid Harrier	*Circus macrourus*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	2018	Therfield
Montagu's Harrier	*Circus pygargus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2015	Cottered
Red Kite	*Milvus milvus*				
Black Kite	*Milvus migrans*	COUNTY RARITY	3	2012	Brookmans Park
White-tailed Eagle	*Haliaeetus albicilla*	COUNTY RARITY	6	2023	Wilstone Res
Rough-legged Buzzard	*Buteo lagopus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2015	Therfield
Common Buzzard	*Buteo buteo*				
Great Bustard	*Otis tarda*	NATIONAL RARITY	10+	1808	Therfield
Water Rail	*Rallus aquaticus*				
Corncrake	*Crex crex*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Hertford
Little Crake	*Zapornia parva*	NATIONAL RARITY	2	1953	Oughtonhead Common
Baillon's Crake	*Zapornia pusilla*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1891	Cheshunt
Spotted Crake	*Porzana porzana*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2018	Wilstone Res
Moorhen	*Gallinula chloropus*				
Coot	*Fulica atra*				
Common Crane	*Grus grus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2022	Wilstone Res
Stone Curlew	*Burhinus oedicnemus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2022	near Baldock
Oystercatcher	*Haematopus ostralegus*				
Black-winged Stilt	*Himantopus himantopus*	COUNTY RARITY	4	2024	Marston
Avocet	*Recurvirostra avosetta*	County scarcity			
Lapwing	*Vanellus vanellus*				
Sociable Plover	*Vanellus gregarius*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1961	Wilstone Res
Golden Plover	*Pluvialis apricaria*				
Grey Plover	*Pluvialis squatarola*	County scarcity			
Ringed Plover	*Charadrius hiaticula*				
Little Ringed Plover	*Charadrius dubius*				
Kentish Plover	*Charadrius alexandrinus*	NATIONAL RARITY	3	2017	Pitstone
Dotterel	*Charadrius morinellus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2023	Ashwell
Whimbrel	*Numenius phaeopus*	County scarcity			
Curlew	*Numenius arquata*	County scarcity			
Bar-tailed Godwit	*Limosa lapponica*	County scarcity			
Black-tailed Godwit	*Limosa limosa*				
Turnstone	*Arenaria interpres*	County scarcity			
Knot	*Calidris canutus*	County scarcity			
Ruff	*Calidris pugnax*	County scarcity			
Broad-billed Sandpiper	*Calidris falcinellus*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1946	Wilstone Res
Curlew Sandpiper	*Calidris ferruginea*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2022	Wilstone Res
Temminck's Stint	*Calidris temminckii*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2020	Amwell NR
Sanderling	*Calidris alba*	County scarcity			
Dunlin	*Calidris alpina*				

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Purple Sandpiper	*Calidris maritima*	COUNTY RARITY	3	1968	Tring Res
Little Stint	*Calidris minuta*	County scarcity			
Least Sandpiper	*Calidris minutilla*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	2003	Startop's End Res
Pectoral Sandpiper	*Calidris melanotos*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2015	Startop's End Res
Long-billed Dowitcher	*Limnodromus scolopaceus*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1977	Tring Res
Woodcock	*Scolopax rusticola*	County scarcity			
Jack Snipe	*Lymnocryptes minimus*	County scarcity			
Great Snipe	*Gallinago media*	NATIONAL RARITY	10+	2001	Hollingson Meads
Common Snipe	*Gallinago gallinago*				
Red-necked Phalarope	*Phalaropus lobatus*	COUNTY RARITY	8	2020	Wilstone Res
Grey Phalarope	*Phalaropus fulicarius*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2021	Amwell NR
Common Sandpiper	*Actitis hypoleucos*				
Spotted Sandpiper	*Actitis macularius*	NATIONAL RARITY	2	2012	Hilfield Park Res
Green Sandpiper	*Tringa ochropus*				
Solitary Sandpiper	*Tringa solitaria*	NATIONAL RARITY	4	2002	Rye Meads
Lesser Yellowlegs	*Tringa flavipes*	COUNTY RARITY	2	2002	Amwell NR
Redshank	*Tringa totanus*				
Marsh Sandpiper	*Tringa stagnatilis*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1984	Broxbourne GP
Wood Sandpiper	*Tringa glareola*	County scarcity			
Spotted Redshank	*Tringa erythropus*	County scarcity			
Greenshank	*Tringa nebularia*				
Kittiwake	*Rissa tridactyla*	County scarcity			
Sabine's Gull	*Xema sabini*	COUNTY RARITY	7	2022	Amwell NR
Bonaparte's Gull	*Chroicocephalus philadelphia*	COUNTY RARITY	1	2016	Wilstone Res
Black-headed Gull	*Chroicocephalus ridibundus*				
Little Gull	*Hydrocoloeus minutus*	County scarcity			
Laughing Gull	*Leucophaeus atricilla*	NATIONAL RARITY	2	2006	Amwell GP
Franklin's Gull	*Leucophaeus pipixcan*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	2016	Amwell NR
Mediterranean Gull	*Ichthyaetus melanocephalus*	County scarcity			
Common Gull	*Larus canus*				
Great Black-backed Gull	*Larus marinus*	County scarcity			
Glaucous Gull	*Larus hyperboreus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2020	Hilfield Park Res
Iceland Gull	*Larus glaucoides*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Amwell NR
Herring Gull	*Larus argentatus*				
Caspian Gull	*Larus cachinnans*	County scarcity			
Yellow-legged Gull	*Larus michahellis*				
Lesser Black-backed Gull	*Larus fuscus*				
Caspian Tern	*Hydroprogne caspia*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1998	Wilstone Res
Sandwich Tern	*Thalasseus sandvicensis*	County scarcity			
Little Tern	*Sternula albifrons*	County scarcity			
Roseate Tern	*Sterna dougallii*	COUNTY RARITY	3	2016	Wilstone Res
Common Tern	*Sterna hirundo*				
Arctic Tern	*Sterna paradisaea*	County scarcity			
White-winged Black Tern	*Chlidonias leucopterus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2017	Tyttenhanger GPs
Black Tern	*Chlidonias niger*	County scarcity			
Great Skua	*Stercorarius skua*	COUNTY RARITY	9	2019	Wilstone Res
Pomarine Skua	*Stercorarius pomarinus*	COUNTY RARITY	2	1928	Tringford Res
Arctic Skua	*Stercorarius parasiticus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2018	Amwell NR
Long-tailed Skua	*Stercorarius longicaudus*	COUNTY RARITY	5	2020	Startop's End Res
Little Auk	*Alle alle*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2016	Amwell NR
Guillemot	*Uria aalge*	COUNTY RARITY	4	2002	Berkhamsted
Razorbill	*Alca torda*	COUNTY RARITY	1	1934	Easneye
Puffin	*Fratercula arctica*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	1996	Cuffley
Pallas's Sandgrouse	*Syrrhaptes paradoxus*	NATIONAL RARITY	8	1888	Various locations
Feral Pigeon	*Columba livia*				
Stock Dove	*Columba oenas*				
Woodpigeon	*Columba palumbus*				
Turtle Dove	*Streptopelia turtur*	County scarcity			
Collared Dove	*Streptopelia decaocto*				
Cuckoo	*Cuculus canorus*				
Barn Owl					

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Tawny Owl	*Strix aluco*				
Little Owl	*Athene noctua*				
Long-eared Owl	*Asio otus*	County scarcity			
Short-eared Owl	*Asio flammeus*	County scarcity			
Nightjar	*Caprimulgus europaeus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Benington
Alpine Swift	*Tachymarptis melba*	COUNTY RARITY	8	2023	Hemel Hempstead
Swift	*Apus apus*				
Roller	*Coracias garrulus*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1852	Chipperfield Common
Kingfisher	*Alcedo atthis*				
Bee-eater	*Merops apiaster*	COUNTY RARITY	5	2017	Bayford
Hoopoe	*Upupa epops*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2023	Croxley Green
Wryneck	*Jynx torquilla*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2022	Symondshyde Farm
Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	*Dryobates minor*	County scarcity			
Great Spotted Woodpecker	*Dendrocopos major*				
Green Woodpecker	*Picus viridis*				
Kestrel	*Falco tinnunculus*				
Red-footed Falcon	*Falco vespertinus*	COUNTY RARITY	5	2020	Panshanger
Merlin	*Falco columbarius*	County scarcity			
Hobby	*Falco subbuteo*				
Peregrine Falcon	*Falco peregrinus*				
Ring-necked Parakeet	*Psittacula krameri*				
Red-backed Shrike	*Lanius collurio*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2008	Therfield Heath
Lesser Grey Shrike	*Lanius minor*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	2024	Lilley
Great Grey Shrike	*Lanius excubitor*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2022	Redbournbury
Woodchat Shrike	*Lanius senator*	COUNTY RARITY	2	1873	Hertford
Golden Oriole	*Oriolus oriolus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2022	Wilstone Res
Jay	*Garrulus glandarius*				
Magpie	*Pica pica*				
Nutcracker	*Nucifraga caryocatactes*	NATIONAL RARITY	10+	1968	Digswell
Jackdaw	*Coloeus monedula*				
Rook	*Corvus frugilegus*				
Carrion Crow	*Corvus corone*				
Raven	*Corvus corax*				
Waxwing	*Bombycilla garrulus*	County scarcity			
Coal Tit	*Periparus ater*				
Marsh Tit	*Poecile palustris*	County scarcity			
Willow Tit	*Poecile montanus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2007	Widford
Blue Tit	*Cyanistes caeruleus*				
Great Tit	*Parus major*				
Penduline Tit	*Remiz pendulinus*	COUNTY RARITY	3	2023	Rye Meads
Bearded Tit	*Panurus biarmicus*	County scarcity			
Woodlark	*Lullula arborea*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	North Mymms Park
Skylark	*Alauda arvensis*				
Short-toed Lark	*Calandrella brachydactyla*	COUNTY RARITY	1	1991	Tyttenhanger GPs
Sand Martin	*Riparia riparia*				
Swallow	*Hirundo rustica*				
House Martin	*Delichon urbicum*				
Red-rumped Swallow	*Cecropis daurica*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2018	Broxbourne GPs
Cetti's Warbler	*Cettia cetti*				
Long-tailed Tit	*Aegithalos caudatus*				
Wood Warbler	*Phylloscopus sibilatrix*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2023	Wilstone Res
Yellow-browed Warbler	*Phylloscopus inornatus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Verulamium Park
Willow Warbler	*Phylloscopus trochilus*				
Chiffchaff	*Phylloscopus collybita*				
Eastern Crowned Warbler	*Phylloscopus coronatus*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	2011	Hilfield Park Res
Great Reed Warbler	*Acrocephalus arundinaceus*	NATIONAL RARITY	2	2008	Amwell NR
Aquatic Warbler	*Acrocephalus paludicola*	NATIONAL RARITY	2	1976	Wilstone Res
Sedge Warbler	*Acrocephalus schoenobaenus*				
Paddyfield Warbler	*Acrocephalus agricola*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1981	Wilstone Res
Reed Warbler	*Acrocephalus scirpaceus*				
Marsh Warbler	*Acrocephalus palustris*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2020	Stocker's Lake

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Melodious Warbler	*Hippolais polyglotta*	COUNTY RARITY	2	2019	Therfield Heath
Icterine Warbler	*Hippolais icterina*	COUNTY RARITY	1	2008	Wilstone Res
Grasshopper Warbler	*Locustella naevia*	County scarcity			
Savi's Warbler	*Locustella luscinioides*	NATIONAL RARITY	5	2012	Wilstone Res
Blackcap	*Sylvia atricapilla*				
Garden Warbler	*Sylvia borin*				
Barred Warbler	*Curruca nisoria*	COUNTY RARITY	3	2012	Bengeo
Lesser Whitethroat	*Curruca curruca*				
Whitethroat	*Curruca communis*				
Dartford Warbler	*Curruca undata*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2022	Harpenden
Firecrest	*Regulus ignicapilla*	County scarcity			
Goldcrest	*Regulus regulus*				
Wren	*Troglodytes troglodytes*				
Nuthatch	*Sitta europaea*				
Treecreeper	*Certhia familiaris*				
Rose-coloured Starling	*Pastor roseus*	COUNTY RARITY	5	1978	Cheshunt
Starling	*Sturnus vulgaris*				
Grey-cheeked Thrush	*Catharus minimus*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	2005	Northaw Great Wood
Ring Ouzel	*Turdus torquatus*	County scarcity			
Blackbird	*Turdus merula*				
Fieldfare	*Turdus pilaris*				
Redwing	*Turdus iliacus*				
Song Thrush	*Turdus philomelos*				
Mistle Thrush	*Turdus viscivorus*				
Spotted Flycatcher	*Muscicapa striata*				
Robin	*Erithacus rubecula*				
Bluethroat	*Luscinia svecica*	COUNTY RARITY	7	2015	Amwell NR
Nightingale	*Luscinia megarhynchos*	County scarcity			
Pied Flycatcher	*Ficedula hypoleuca*	County scarcity			
Red-breasted Flycatcher	*Ficedula parva*	COUNTY RARITY	1	1996	Wheathampstead
Black Redstart	*Phoenicurus ochruros*	County scarcity			
Redstart	*Phoenicurus phoenicurus*	County scarcity			
Rock Thrush	*Monticola saxatilis*	NATIONAL RARITY	2	1983	Graveley
Whinchat	*Saxicola rubetra*				
Stonechat	*Saxicola rubicola*				
Wheatear	*Oenanthe oenanthe*				
Dipper	*Cinclus cinclus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2019	Hilfield Park Res
House Sparrow	*Passer domesticus*				
Tree Sparrow	*Passer montanus*	County scarcity			
Dunnock	*Prunella modularis*				
Yellow Wagtail	*Motacilla flava*				
Grey Wagtail	*Motacilla cinerea*				
Pied Wagtail	*Motacilla alba*				
Richard's Pipit	*Anthus richardi*	COUNTY RARITY	2	2019	Wilstone Res
Meadow Pipit	*Anthus pratensis*				
Tree Pipit	*Anthus trivialis*	County scarcity			
Water Pipit	*Anthus spinoletta*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2024	Rye Meads
Rock Pipit	*Anthus petrosus*	County scarcity			
Chaffinch	*Fringilla coelebs*				
Brambling	*Fringilla montifringilla*				
Hawfinch	*Coccothraustes coccothraustes*	County scarcity			
Bullfinch	*Pyrrhula pyrrhula*				
Common Rosefinch	*Carpodacus erythrinus*	COUNTY RARITY	3	1997	Wilstone Res
Greenfinch	*Chloris chloris*				
Twite	*Linaria flavirostris*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2011	Wilstone Res
Linnet	*Linaria cannabina*				
Redpoll	*Acanthis flammea*				
Parrot Crossbill	*Loxia pytyopsittacus*	COUNTY RARITY	1	2018	Broxbourne Woods
Crossbill	*Loxia curvirostra*	County scarcity			
Two-barred Crossbill	*Loxia leucoptera*	NATIONAL RARITY	3	1966	Bramfield Forest
Goldfinch	*Carduelis carduelis*				

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Serin	*Serinus serinus*	COUNTY RARITY	6	2022	Woodoaks Farm
Siskin	*Spinus spinus*				
Snow Bunting	*Plectrophenax nivalis*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	2022	Knebworth
Corn Bunting	*Emberiza calandra*				
Yellowhammer	*Emberiza citrinella*				
Ortolan Bunting	*Emberiza hortulana*	COUNTY RARITY	2	2004	Temple End
Cirl Bunting	*Emberiza cirlus*	COUNTY RARITY	10+	1981	Bricket Wood
Little Bunting	*Emberiza pusilla*	COUNTY RARITY	5	2023	Stanborough Reedmarsh
Rustic Bunting	*Emberiza rustica*	NATIONAL RARITY	1	1882	Aldenham Res
Reed Bunting	*Emberiza schoeniclus*				