



Learning Desert Bird Sounds

Covers all US deserts and the Colorado Plateau (VERSION FOR CLASS TESTING)

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Contents: FLASH DRIVE with introductory sounds and over 450 practice sounds, worksheets, answers to practice sounds

Prerequisite: Learning California Bird Sounds by Sylvia Gallagher (1998 or later)

Also Needed:

- Colver, Kevin J. with Donald and Lillian Stokes. 1999. *Stokes field guide to bird song (western)* Little, Brown and Co., Boston.
- Cornell Lab of Ornithology. 1992. *Peterson field guides—western bird songs*. Houghton Mifflin, Boston and New York.
- Keller, Geoffrey. 2001. *Bird songs of southeastern Arizona and Sonora, Mexico*. Cornell Lab. of Ornithology, Ithaca, NY
- Keller, Geoffrey. 2003. *Bird songs of California*. Cornell Lab. of Ornithology, Ithaca, NY.
- Recommended smartphone apps: Sibley, iBirdPro, BirdTunes.

The following species are introduced and compared with their sound-alikes from Learning California Bird Sounds and occasionally other workshops in this series:

GROUP 1: Phainopepla, Canyon Wren, Rock Wren, Cactus Wren, Northern Cardinal, Pyrrhuloxia, Scott's Oriole.

GROUP 2: Canyon Towhee, Abert's Towhee, Spotted Towhee (desert forms), Verdin, Black-tailed Gnatcatcher, Bronzed Cowbird, Great-tailed Grackle.

GROUP 3: Summer Tanager, Crissal Thrasher, Curve-billed Thrasher, Bendire's Thrasher, LeConte's Thrasher, Sage Thrasher.

GROUP 4: Ladder-backed Woodpecker, Gila Woodpecker, Gilded Flicker, Gambel's Quail, Greater Sage-Grouse, Gunnison Sage-Grouse, Ring-necked Pheasant, Scaled Quail, Chukar.

GROUP 5: Brown-crested Flycatcher, Dusky-capped Flycatcher, Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet, Vermilion Flycatcher, Willow Flycatcher, Horned Lark, Lucy's Warbler.

GROUP 6: Bell's Sparrow, Sagebrush Sparrow, Black-throated Sparrow, Vesper Sparrow, Botteri's Sparrow, Cassin's Sparrow, Brewer's Sparrow.

GROUP 7: Rufous-winged Sparrow, Rufous-crowned Sparrow, Lark Sparrow, Bell's Vireo, Black-chinned Hummingbird, Costa's Hummingbird.

GROUP 8: Chihuahuan Raven, Black-billed Magpie, Western Scrub-Jay (desert forms), Burrowing Owl, Elf Owl, Short-eared Owl, Long-eared Owl.

GROUP 9: Common Ground-Dove, Inca Dove, White-winged Dove, Eurasian Collared-Dove, Lesser Nighthawk, Common Nighthawk, Common Poorwill.

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