

Starr Ranch Sanctuary & South Coast Audubon
San Juan Capistrano (South County) Christmas Bird Count - 12/18/04

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AREAS COVERED & their Area Leaders: **1.** Roaming (Doug Willick) **2.** Donna O'Neill Land Conservancy (Laura Cohen) **3.** San Clemente Urban Areas (Kim Lopina) **4.** Starr Ranch Sanctuary & Caspers Park (Becky Stewart) **5.** Aliso Canyon (Gary Meredith) **6.** San Clemente Area (Sachi Fukuman) **7.** Dana Point Harbor & Area Parks (Joel Weintraub) **8.** Laguna Niguel Reg. Park & Crown Valley Community Park (Peyton Cook) **9.** Lower San Juan Creek (Cat Waters) **10.** Pelagic Areas & Saddleback College (Kaaren Perry) **11.** Riley Wilderness Park (Lucy Lee) **12.** Upper San Juan Creek (Laura Camp) **13.** Aliso & Wood Canyons Park & Aliso Creek (Bruce Aird)

	Species	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Total
1	Red-throated Loon								9						9
2	Pacific Loon								1		2				3
3	Common Loon										1				1
4	Pied-billed Grebe						2	1	14		1		1		19
5	Western Grebe							5	4		2				11
6	Clark's Grebe								1						1
7	Black-vented Shearwater								825		500				1325
8	American White Pelican								1						1
9	Brown Pelican						20	26	106		40				192
10	Double-crested Cormorant							13	56		12			1	82
11	Brandt's Cormorant							3	44		30				77
12	Pelagic Cormorant										4				4
13	Least Bittern								1						1
14	Great Blue Heron	1			1			3	3		1		2	1	12
15	Great Egret	1	2			1		5	4	1			1	3	18
16	Snowy Egret							29	23	6	6			3	67
17	Cattle Egret								4						4
18	Green Heron								2					1	3
19	Black-crowned Night-Heron							6			1				8
20	Canada Goose				5				14				6		25
21	Mallard	15				10		57	114	23			39	29	287
22	Blue-winged Teal								24						24
23	Cinnamon Teal								28				4		32
24	Northern Shoveler							2	12				3		17
25	Gadwall	12							26	1					39
26	American Wigeon								55				5		60
27	Canvasback							3					3		6
28	Ring-necked Duck							7	56				10	1	74
29	Lesser Scaup						7		80						97
30	Surf Scoter							2	9		4				15
31	Black Scoter								2						2
32	Bufflehead						7	1	9					1	18
33	Common Merganser													2	2
34	Red-breasted Merganser							2			1				5
35	Ruddy Duck	12	3				7	3	54					34	113
36	Turkey Vulture		18		30	5	5		3			3	40	2	106
37	Osprey								1						1
38	White-tailed Kite		3			4	3		2	1					14
39	Northern Harrier				4							2			6
40	Sharp-shinned Hawk	1					1		2	1	1			1	7

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41	Cooper's Hawk		1		1			1		1			1	2	7
42	Red-shouldered Hawk		1		5	2	4	1	3	1		1	2	1	21
43	Red-tailed Hawk	5	19		21	4	6	3	7	1		3	4	83	
44	American Kestrel		13		2	1	5	5	4			1	1	4	36
45	California Quail			5	54	9									68
46	Virginia Rail	1							2						3
48	Sora	1							1						2
49	Common Moorhen	1				2			12					5	20
50	American Coot	20	3			7	1	110	219				56	10	426
51	Black-bellied Plover							11			1				12
52	Killdeer		7				14	5	16	13			30	5	90
53	Black-necked Stilt							1		2					3
54	Greater Yellowlegs							2	2	8				1	13
55	Lesser Yellowlegs									1					1
56	Willet						2	7	1	1	2				13
57	Spotted Sandpiper							2	2		3				7
58	Marbled Godwit							3			1				4
59	Sanderling						4	22	22		6				54
60	Least Sandpiper							2		11					13
61	Wilson's Snipe								4					1	5
62	Bonaparte's Gull										20				20
63	Heermann's Gull						17	32	20		40				109
64	Ring-billed Gull						112	22	30	42			40	2	248
65	California Gull			300			2	6000		35	70				6407
66	Western Gull						2	250	351	2	150			4	759
67	Glaucous-winged Gull							6			5				11
	gull sp.				200		256								456
68	Royal Tern										2				2
69	Forster's Tern								8						8
70	Xantus' Murrelet										1				1
71	Cassin's Auklet										7				7
72	Rhinoceros Auklet										5				5
73	Rock Pigeon						33	20	269	3				7	332
74	Mourning Dove	81	38	4	14	10	67	6	161	50		18	60	28	547
75	Greater Roadrunner	1	2		1	2						1		1	8
76	Barn Owl		1		8									1	10
77	Western Screech-Owl				38										38
78	Great Horned Owl				13									2	15
79	Long-eared Owl				2										2
80	White-throated Swift		5		1				1					2	15
81	Anna's Hummingbird	62	11	3	40	11	26	15	144	10	10	12	25	28	397
82	Allen's Hummingbird	12		1		4		4	36	3	2	1	1	4	68
83	Costa's Hummingbird					1				1				2	4
	Selasphorus sp.								17						17
84	Belted Kingfisher	2							2					1	5
85	Lewis's Woodpecker		2												2

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86	Red-naped Sapsucker	1										1			2
87	Red-breasted Sapsucker			1				2							3
88	Acorn Woodpecker		19	58		4					22	32			135
89	Nuttall's Woodpecker	13	6	12	4	1	2	12		1		4	1		56
90	Downy Woodpecker							1							1
91	Northern Flicker	1	9	14	6	3	3	1			2	2	2		43
92	Black Phoebe	12	6	13	8	12	8	20	10	2	10	21	13		135
93	Say's Phoebe		9	4	2	4	2	7	2		2	2	7		41
94	Cassin's Kingbird	3	3		6	7	3	13		2		1	11		49
95	Tree Swallow												1		1
96	N. Rough-winged Swallow			2											2
97	Violet-green Swallow			7											7
98	Western Scrub-Jay	8	26	2	90	11	14	3	8			17	66	4	249
99	American Crow	21	94	2	70	61	64	30	12487	22	2	20	57	78	13108
100	Common Raven	2	4	9	30	6	23	4		3		1	2	5	89
101	Oak Titmouse			48								17	4		69
102	Bushtit	49		25	80	36	50	335	18	30	12		79		714
103	Red-breasted Nuthatch	2						1	1						4
104	White-breasted Nuthatch		2										3		5
105	Cactus Wren	1		8								1			10
106	Bewick's Wren	14		10	2	2		1				1		2	32
107	House Wren	6		1	3			2	7		2	1		2	24
108	Mountain Chickadee	2													2
109	Ruby-crowned-Kinglet	56	7	36	9	4	9	93	6		12	7	11		250
110	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		3	1	1									2	7
111	California Gnatcatcher			1				3						1	5
112	Western Bluebird	2	8						9						19
113	Mountain Bluebird			4											4
114	Hermit Thrush	4		2	10			5			1			4	26
115	American Robin	3						1	35				1		40
116	Wren	6	20		88	21	11	2	1	2		8	4	12	175
117	Northern Mockingbird	7	2	3	2	5	6	4	11	3			4	3	50
118	California Thrasher	3	4	1	9	2	10		1			1	2	3	36
119	European Starling	10	35		38	75	67		16	4		2	40	25	312
120	American Pipit	15			15	2			15	5			1		53
121	Cedar Waxwing	4												17	21
122	Phainopepla		1												1
123	Loggerhead Shrike						1							1	2
124	Hutton's Vireo	2		1	3				2						8
125	Nashville Warbler	1													1
126	Orange-crowned Warbler	15			4			5	9	3		1	3		40
127	Yellow-rumped Warbler (Aud.)	160	105		802	35	30	69	808	78		35	45	40	2216
	Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myr.)								2						2
128	Townsend's Warbler	6			1			3	2	2					14
129	American Redstart								1						1
130	Yellow Warbler								1						1
131	Wilson's Warbler								2						2

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131	Wilson 's Warbler								2						2
132	Common Yellowthroat	17	1			5	1	1	26	1			5	6	63
133	Western Tanager	5							1						6
134	Spotted Towhee	1	6	1	55	2	9	3	1			7	2	2	89
135	California Towhee	7	8	5	54	8	39	6	10			10	8	14	169
136	Chipping Sparrow	1							5				6		12
137	Lark Sparrow					1		4				6			11
138	Rufous-crowned Sparrow				6			1							7
139	Savannah Sparrow		11							7			30	8	56
140	Fox Sparrow				1				1						2
141	Song Sparrow	6	8	1	6	9	4	1	63	2		2	3	23	128
142	Lincoln's Sparrow	5							2					3	10
143	Golden-crowned Sparrow		5		2	4	4	3	1						19
144	White-crowned Sparrow	61	24	5	80	11	129	24	122	6		25	30	63	580
145	Dark-eyed Junco	4	1		19			1	35			6	10		76
146	Red-winged Blackbird		2				4		21			2			29
147	Tricolored Blackbird								65						65
148	Western Meadowlark		55		27		2								84
149	Brewer's Blackbird						4	13	10						27
150	Great-tailed Grackle								22					1	23
151	House Finch	149	38	25	28	93	60	30	148	21		18	72	60	748
152	Pine Siskin								2						2
153	Lesser Goldfinch	75	5	6	10		7	15	34	4		1	1	15	173
154	American Goldfinch	2			5		1	2	516				8	6	540
155	House Sparrow	25					1	1	15	2					44
	Participants	1	4	1	9	3	3	2	7	2	6	2	3	3	46

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The following areas were covered on this Christmas Bird Count:

- 01.** Roaming - [Doug Willick](#)
- 02.** Donna O'Neill Land Conservancy & Rancho Mission Viejo.
Area Leader: [Laura Cohen](#)
- 03.** San Clemente Urban Area - Area Leader: [Louise Lopina](#)
- 04.** Starr Ranch Sanctuary & Caspers Park - Area Leader: [Becky Stewart](#)
- 05.** Aliso Canyon (Seaview Park & Badlands Park). Area Leader: [Gary Meredith](#)
- 06.** San Clemente area (TRW, Cristianitos, Ave Pico, San Mateo Campground)
Area Leader: [Sachi Fukuman](#)
- 07.** Dana Point Harbor & Area Parks - Area Leader: [Joel Weintraub](#)
- 08.** Laguna Niguel Regional Park, Crown Valley Community Parks.
Area Leader: [Peyton Cook](#)
- 09.** Lower San Juan Creek, from Doheny State Beach to San Juan Capistrano
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- 12.** Upper San Juan Creek, from Tree of Life Nursery to the I-5 & the quarry off Ortega Hwy. - Area Leader: [Laura Camp](#)
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