

Season: Spring Year: '96

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| ✓ white-throated sparrows | 2 | 3/30 | yard - wintered here |
| ✓ Hermit Thrush | 1 | 4/5 | yard |
| ✓ Tundra Swans | 15 | 4/6 | Worth Co. feeding in a flooded field. Jw + C7 |
| ✓ Ross Goose | 4 | 4/6 | Worth Co. in flooded field just a mile from the Tundra Swans. Small goose with 125 snow geese. with a 30x scope could see they lacked the dark streak on bill - had rounder head + shorter neck - from 75 yards - C.7. Jw + C7. |
| ✓ Cattle Egret | 1 | 4/24 | Ventura, Cerro Gordo Co, off Co. Rd S-14 - |
| ✓ Cattle Egret | 1 | 4/26 | And in my yard |
| Louisiana Waterthrush | 1 | 4/26 | along stream, watched 20 mins, cinnamon color flanks, white throat + broad eye stripe extending well behind eyes - we are on their northern range - Mason City |

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| ✓ Winter Wren | 1 | 5/1 | yard, Mason City |
| (adult) ✓ Mute Swan | 1 | 5/6 | Myre Slough, Winnebago Co. with 30x scope could see S-curve neck - pink bill + black knob at base of bill - untagged bird, I call D.N.R., also Ron Andrews from the Swan restoration program. They did not know birds origin - Saw the swan again 5/13 same area - along with other water- fowl - appears to have been a free flying bird - |
| ✓ Dark-eyed Junco | 1 | 5/26 | along Green Belt, Rock Falls, Cerro Gordo Co. late |
| ✓ Red-necked Phalarope | 13 | 5/16 | Worth Co. south of state line road - Small marsh, with scope 50 yards from Road - JW - C J F. |

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| ✓ <u>Hudsonian Godwit</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>5/16</u> | <u>Worth Co. same area as Phalaropes -</u> |
| ✓ <u>Common loon</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>5/29</u> | <u>Rice Lake, Winnebago Co. Still in winter plumage.</u> |
| ✓ <u>Canvasback ducks</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>5/29</u> | <u>male + female, late Rice Lake, Winnebago Co.</u> |
| ✓ <u>Surf Scoter ♀</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>5/11</u> | <u>on the "Ia May Count" Curt Nelson found the ♀ surf scoter on Clear Lake - I saw it that same day also - very close range - could see 2 white spots on side of face - large dark bill + darker crown - CGF</u> |
| <u>Iron March through 1st May</u> | | | <u>Had a pale form Great Horned Owl (arctic) in woods behind our home - Would see pale form with a larger (female?). Found nest with three juveniles -</u> |