



Winter in New Mexico

Dec 3-11, 2022

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Summary

Positioned at the intersection of the Rocky Mountains and Chihuahuan Desert, New Mexico offers diverse habitats and interesting birdlife. From snowy peaks to windswept grasslands and from Albuquerque's urban confines to Bosque del Apache's expansive impoundments, we tallied 128 species on our run across the Land of Enchantment. Beyond hoards of waterfowl, masses of Snow Geese, and throngs of Sandhill Cranes, highlights included Tundra and Trumpeter Swans, Ferruginous Hawk, Prairie Falcon, Pine Grosbeak, Canada Jay, Juniper Titmouse, Red-naped Sapsucker, Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay, Crissal Thrasher, Mountain Bluebird, Black-tailed Gnatcatcher, Sprague's Pipit, Phainopepla, and Cassin's Finch. Sadly, we had only in-flight looks at rosy-finches at Sandia Crest, the birds becoming less predictable as climate change progresses, but views of Pronghorn, Coyote, Elk, and Abert's Squirrel softened that blow. All considered, ours was a wonderful winter adventure! Photo of Snow Geese at Bosque del Apache NWR by client Paul Pilch.



Day 1 - Saturday, December 3 - Arrivals in Albuquerque

Dorian met Cynthia and Laurie at the hotel for breakfast. He subsequently hit a number of birding spots around Albuquerque while they visited the Rio Grande Nature Center. Rain asserted itself after lunch and strengthened while Dorian shuttled additional clients from the airport to the hotel.

Precipitation continued through the evening, but neither it nor an inconvenient holiday parade could stop the group from enjoying a fantastic Italian Dinner at M'Tucci's Bar Roma.

Day 2 - Sunday, December 4 - Sandia Crest (almost), metro Albuquerque, and Santa Fe

Unsure if snow and ice would affect our ability to reach Sandia Crest, we departed the hotel at 7:15am. We joined Interstate 25 east and turned north onto Highway 14 before veering onto Road 526, that winding thoroughfare carrying us higher into the Sandias. The bottom 10 miles of that ascent unfolded without incident, but conditions deteriorated as we climbed. Packed slush covered the road, and the van lost the ability to maintain momentum through turns a mile below the summit (photo below). Rather than press forward, we turned around because safety was more important than rosy-finches. We decided we'd try to tweak the itinerary so we could return to Sandia on our last full day, but you'll need to keep reading to see how that plan unfolded!



Returning to Albuquerque, we headed to the Rio Granda Nature Center for the remainder of the morning. **Spotted Towhee**, **Bewick's Wren**, and **White-crowned** and **White-throated Sparrows** showed around the feeders, and we found a nice variety of waterfowl including **Northern Shoveler**, **Gadwall**, **Bufflehead**, and **Hooded Merganser** in the adjacent pond. Pounding trail through leafless cottonwoods, we found **White-winged Dove**, **Northern Harrier**, **Black Phoebe**, and **Eastern**

Bluebird (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123476481>). We also had a nice study of a male **Mexican Duck**. The species frequently hybridizes with Mallards, so care is needed to ID a pure bird.

Vacating the reserve, we shot over to Tingley beach to look for the continuing Harris's Sparrow which Dorian scouted yesterday. We weren't able to locate that target, but we had point blank views of **Wood Duck** (photo on next page by Guide Dorian Anderson), **American Wigeon**, **Lesser Scaup**, and **Ring-necked Duck**. The highlight, however, was the world's most cooperative **Greater Roadrunner**; the bird sauntered across the path in front of us! It was an amazing encounter (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123476764>). Photo below by Guide Dorian Anderson.



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The Grove Cafe and Market proved a fantastic lunch spot; a healthy mix of soups, salads, and sandwiches really hit the spot after a morning of walking (1.9 miles at RGNC and 0.8 at Tingley). Reassuming the van, we headed north, towards Santa Fe. Exploring side roads en route, we tallied **Townsend's Solitaire**, **Red-tailed Hawk**, and **Mountain Bluebird**. Dorian's hope was to knock out some of the mid-elevation species we'd seek across the next two days, but we struggled to find much of anything at Sante Fe Canyon and Randall Davey Audubon Center; **Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay**, **Mountain Chickadee**, and **Bushtits** were the only birds of note at those locations (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123476802>). Daylight dwindling, we returned to Santa Fe and enjoyed a great New Mexican meal at Tomasita's. When they said the food was hot, they meant it! Massive sopapillas tamed the burn, and we enjoyed the Mariachi band which serenaded us.



Day 3 - Monday, December 5 - Maxwell and Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuges

We had a very long drive to reach Maxwell NWR, so we wolfed breakfast, piled into the van, and headed north. Gusting winds pushed our transport around as we closed the distance on I-25, but sunny skies kept spirits high. Scanning roadside poles from the vehicle, we found our only **Golden Eagle** of the trip. We arrived at the visitor's center at 9:15, and, after a brief bathroom scare, headed to Lake 13. **Sandhill Cranes** welcomed us, and we compared **Snow**, **Canada**, and **Cackling Geese** as they bobbed on the morning waves. We also found **Redhead**, **Common Goldeneye**, and **Common Merganser** — all trip firsts. We observed several swirling flocks of **Horned Larks** (10-30 birds) but none paused for us to pick out longspurs or the Snow Bunting (NM's 3rd) which had been reported for the previous two days. Damn you, wind! **Loggerhead Shrike**, **Bald Eagle**, and **American Tree Sparrow** were added in consolation (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123511990>).

The other basins at the refuge were dry, so we headed northwest to Laguna Madre. **Northern Pintails** were abundant, and we scored a continuing **Trumpeter Swan**, a great find in New Mexico. Continuing towards Stubblefield Reservoir, we observed light and dark phase **Ferruginous Hawks**. The wind relented at that point, and everyone enjoyed the incredible scenery which the remote region presented. Returning to the task at hand, we spied **Great Blue Heron**, **American Coot**, **Ruddy Duck**, **Lesser Scaup**, and a lone **Ring-necked Duck** as we cruised the eastern shore of the lake. Veering towards the Lake 13, we had killer views of multiple **Ferruginous Hawks** on roadside poles (photo on next page by client Paul Pilch). A final turn around Lake 13 yielded nothing new, so we pulled the plug on Maxwell and lunched at Subway (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123512106>).

We reached Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge at 3pm, but our plans were dashed by a closed visitor's center and a sign which stated, 'The fall birding event has been canceled on account of lack of water and birds.' We pressed on despite the deflating news and ran into dozens of **Mountain Bluebirds**, several **American Kestrels**, and a cooperative **Western Meadowlark**. Other

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than hose highlights, **European Starling** was the only new bird we added to the trip list at this location. So yeah, hella slow. At least the scenery was beautiful (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123529931>)!

We made several roadside stops on the way back to Santa Fe, but they didn't yield anything beyond **Black-billed Magpie**. Darkness closing in, we headed back to town. Dinner at Jambo Cafe (Afro-Caribbean) was excellent. Another home run for Sonia!



Day 4 - Tuesday, December 6 - Sangre de Cristo Mountains and Bosque del Apache NWR

On this day, we turned our attention upslope, towards Santa Fe Ski Area. Located at 10,300' in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, the site and surrounding slopes host a number of high elevation specialists, several of them at the edges of their ranges. Pushing uphill after breakfast at the hotel, we made an en route stop at Randall Davey Audubon. We'd visited and not found much two days ago, but we felt the site warranted a second look while the higher elevations warmed up a bit. We connected with **Sharp-shinned Hawk** (perched on a TV antenna) as we approached, and we found **Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay, Mountain Chickadee, Pine Siskin, Juniper Titmouse, and Wild Turkey** at the reserve's feeders (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123555538>). A productive visit!

We continued upslope and arrived at the ski area at ~9:00am. Temperatures were chilly and activity was slow, but our luck turned when a flock of a dozen **Pine Grosbeaks** materialized from the overhead ridge line. They were distant, but Laurie's scope afforded nice views. The species is a real challenge in New Mexico, so it was a great find. We had close looks at tame **Steller's Jays** as the

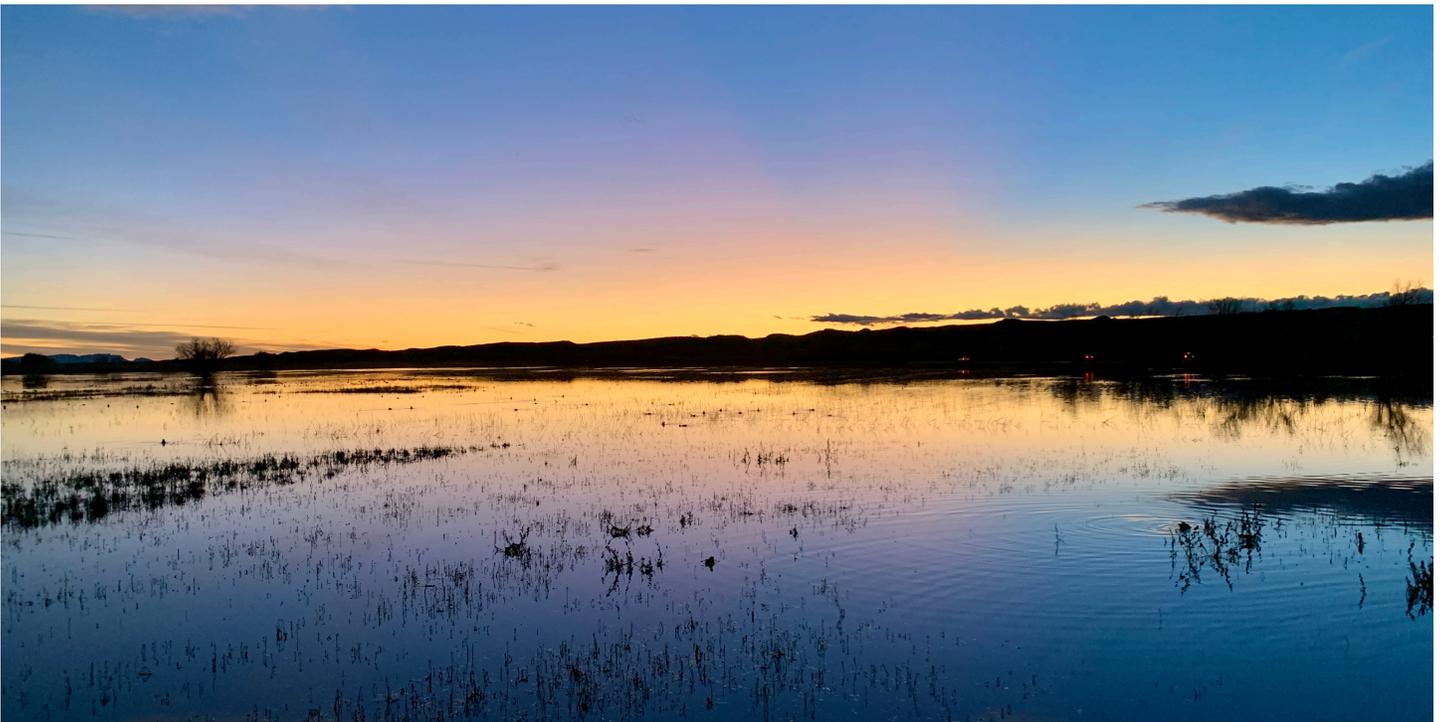
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parking attendants fed them, and we scored another huge win when Dorian spotted a distant **Canada Jay** (photo below by Guide Dorian Anderson). It felt like a fortuitous find — until we realized it and two companions were headed for the same handouts as the STJAs! CAJA is a tough bird in NM, so it was a huge win, the birds scampering around at our feet in the parking lot. Scouring the surrounding trees in the wake of that triumph, we added **Golden-crowned Kinglet** and **Brown Creeper** (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123555591>). View of Santa Fe from near ski area on next page.



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We departed the ski area, made several stops as we descended, and continued to Counter Culture (<https://www.counterculturesantafe.com/>) when Sonia's lunch pick (The Wrap Santa Fe) was closed. CC was excellent, and we reassumed the van for the 2.5-hour drive to Bosque del Apache NWR. Reaching that destination at 3:30, 90 mins ahead of sunset, we were greeted by hundreds of **Sandhill Cranes** and thousands of **Snow** and **Ross's Geese**. It was amazing to swatch the three species intermix in a single field with the sun setting behind it! It was tough to pull our eyes away from the spectacle, but we glimpsed **Bald Eagle**, **American Pipit**, **Say's Phoebe**, **Wilson's Snipe**, and **White-faced Ibis** in other parts of the reserve. It was the perfect end to an incredible day, even if dinner at Socorro Springs was 'meh'. But hey, that's Socorro! The second photo on the next page shows the end of the day at the refuge.



Day 5 - Wednesday, December 7 - Bosque del Apache NWR

Bosque del Apache is one of the premier birding sites in North America, so we planned to spend this entire day at the refuge. Hoping to experience the famous Snow Goose liftoff, we proceeded to the same area where we'd seen thousands yesterday afternoon. The birds had departed — why and for where we had no idea — but the views of thousands of **Sandhill Cranes** were awesome (photo below my client Paul Pilch). We also scored our first and only **Prairie Falcon** as the bird rocketed overhead. Moving to the beautiful Chupadera Trail, one of the only walking areas at Bosque, we found **Black-throated Sparrow, Verdin, Ladder-backed Woodpecker, Crissal Thrasher**, and a surprise pair of **Black-tailed Gnatcatchers** when Sagebrush and Brewer's Sparrows failed to show (we redeemed the second later in the trip). Birdlife aside, the scenery was beautiful!



We returned to the visitor center and found **House Sparrow, Gambel's Quail, Lesser Goldfinch, Red-winged Blackbird, and Pyrrhuloxia** on the feeders. Greater Roadrunner scampered into view on the South Loop, and we had great views of **Long-billed Dowitchers** and **Hooded Mergansers** from the Marsh Boardwalk. It was super cool to see a **raccoon** exploring the shallows. Noon approaching, we broke from Bosque and headed to the Owl Cafe (San Antonio) for a basic lunch. Though the place had a certain charm (really, did it?), a lodging snafu forced a hurried meal and quick return to Socorro. The mix-up rectified in short order, we returned to the refuge for the remainder of the afternoon. Stretching our legs on the dike separating the north and south sections of the Auto Loop, we found **Eared Grebe** (our only one of the trip), **Loggerhead Shrike, Brewer's**
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Blackbird, and all the expected waterfowl. **Snow** and **Ross's Geese** starting flying in at that point, so we relocated to enjoy the evening massing from the same overlook we visited yesterday. Interestingly, the geese and cranes segregated on this night; yesterday they were intermingled. We had no idea how to account for the behavioral difference, but it was wonderful to watch. Wouter also picked a single **Greater White-fronted Goose**, so that was a nice bonus as the evening approached and temperatures dropped. We couldn't pull ourselves away until after sunset, and we found a cooperative **Great Horned Owl** perched in a roadside tree as we departed the refuge. It was a long day, but no one will ever forget the Bosque magic. We weren't expecting a whole lot from Yo Mama's, but dinner turned out to be very good - huge portions!

Day 6 - Thursday, December 8 - Magdalena Mountains and Elephant Butte Reservoir

There was no need to be up in the mountains at the crack of dawn, so we enjoyed a leisurely breakfast before departing the hotel and gaining elevation west, into the Cibola National Forest and the Magdalena Mountains. Reaching Water Canyon Campground, we parked the car and began a walking ascent of a forest service road. The sun hadn't cleared a high bluff to the east, so activity was slow with only the occasional **Dark-eyed Junco**, **Bushtit**, and **Ruby-crowned Kinglet** to show for our efforts. Reaching above the shadows, we hit the jackpot when we encountered a vocal **Hairy Woodpecker** and cooperative flock of **Cassin's Finches**. **Western Bluebirds** were everywhere, and we had incredible looks at a beautiful **Red-naped Sapsucker** on our descent. It was an incredibly striking example!

Returning to the campground after securing distant but diagnostic views of **Acorn Woodpecker**, we crossed a small stream and walked another dirt road, that second track paralleling the flow and featuring more proper pines than the previous. **Golden-crowned Kinglet**, **Mountain Chickadee**, and **Brown Creeper** appeared as expected, but **Pygmy Nuthatch** was more celebrated. A group of ~4 birds stayed high in the trees, but everyone caught at least a glimpse of the tiny birds as they explored the coniferous canopy. Throw in **Pine Siskin** and **Townsend's Solitaire** and it was a very enjoyable morning. We walked 3.5 miles, so that went a long way to shedding the weight we put on at Yo Mama's last night (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123645887>).

We descended to Socorro, lunched at Sophia's Kitchen (excellent Mexican with awesome sopapillas), and continued south, towards Elephant Head Reservoir. Water levels were very low at the northern end of the body, but we had comparison views of **Western** and **Clark's Grebes** from Rock Canyon. There was some debate as the identity of two pale blobs on the far shore, but the eventual reveal of huge yellow beaks betrayed them as **American White Pelicans**, our first of the trip (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123655820>).

Moving to Paseo del Rio, we found a variety of waterfowl including a **Blue-winged Teal** which Wouter spotted. An obliging **Greater Yellowlegs** presented in the same drainage, and **Rock Wrens**, **Woodhouse's Scrub-Jays**, and **Ladder-backed Woodpecker** presented on the surrounding hillsides. Canyon Towhee, however, was conspicuously absent. Dorian thought he saw one dart into a low bush, but we were unable to secure views despite much pishing and taping. Moving to the top of the dam, we rounded out the day with distant views of a perched **Osprey** which Laurie spotted on a decaying houseboat (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123667280>).

Dinner in Truth or Consequences was a bit of a fiasco as our first choice (Pacific Grill) was closed and our second (Los Arcos) required a long wait, but we eventually secured sustenance at Johnny B's. The food was fine, but our server was fantastic; she was super friendly and able to remember who ordered what without asking when she brought the food out.

Day 7 - Friday, December 9th - Percha Dam State Park and the Uvas Grasslands.

Percha Dam State Park is one of the best birding spots in New Mexico, and it didn't disappoint on this chilly morning. We arrived after a brief stop at Caballo Lake (nothing much happening at the southern end, <https://ebird.org/checklist/S123712327>) and set to beating the bushes around the picnic area.

Spotted Sandpiper appeared in the spillway, and we had our first views of **Phainipepla** and **Lincoln's Sparrow**, the former perched in the open and the latter among a flock of **White-crowned** and **White-throated**. **Belted Kingfisher** and **Common Merganser** presented upstream of the dam, and a previously-reported flock of **Red Crossbills** appeared as we patrolled the campground. We also got the **Chihuahuan Raven** off our back when a vocal example flew over us, and Dorian and Barb had quick views of **Swamp Sparrow** as it foraged among an immense feeding flock. **American Goldfinch** and **Cedar Waxwing** were overdue additions to the trip list, but a **Vermilion Flycatcher** stole the show, the cooperative young male posing for pictures along side a **Rock Wren**. Other notable birds at this stop included **Sandhill Cranes**, **Pyrrhuloxia**, and **Ladder-backed Woodpecker** (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123692796>).

The town of Hatch was a fun place; featuring strings of dried chilis and endless statues and figurines, the tiny tourist trap had character. It was, however, 'Mr. Scarface' who left the most lasting impression. The car was good, but the driver was better! He exited the vehicle with slicked back hair, massive sunglasses, and a Scarface sweat suit — complete with top and bottom!



Leaving the Valley Cafe and heading west, we paused at Hatch Playa, a shallow but expansive pond on the Highway 26 roadside. **Least Sandpiper** was a trip first, and we scored two more in **Curve-billed Thrasher** and **Brewer's Sparrow** (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123712373>). The clouds dissipated as we continued towards the remote Uvas Grasslands, and beaming sun greeted us when we arrived (here's a checklist from our quick stop at the cattle ranch: <https://ebird.org/checklist/S123712446>). Uvas is a historical spot to find grassland birds, but the habitat has declined in recent years as rainfall has become limiting. Walking the grassy swales between the low rises, we flushed at least half a dozen **Sprague's Pipits** (photo on next page by client Paul Pilch). The species is difficult to observe across its range, so our point-blank views were a huge victory. It was Dorian's best look in 30 years of birding, so that says something, right? Otherwise, we didn't find much while on our extended hike, but we did spot a large flock (~50) of overhead **longspurs** as we drove out of the reserved. Photographs revealed Chestnut-collared and Thick-billed (formerly McCown's) were present, but those didn't make the official trip list because identifying individual species from photographed flocks doesn't meet the standard for 'seen' since it's a haphazard method. There needs to be more deliberate intent to study and identify individual birds than 'spray and pray' allows (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123712513>). Below - clients stalking Sprague's Pipits at the Uvas Grasslands.



We departed Uvas and started the long drive back to Albuquerque. Why Albuquerque and not a second night in Truth or Consequences as written in the itinerary? Well, after our inability to reach to Sandia Crest on Day 2, we modified the itinerary so that we could return to Sandia on Day 8, Albuquerque to be used as a base ahead of that excursion. It took three hours to return to the city, but we feasted at Fan-Tang when we arrived (more huge portions). It was a very long day, but the lodging change positioned us perfectly. **Note - all credit should go to Desiree in the TB office for making the lodging change happen!**

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**Day 8 - Saturday, December 10 - Sandia Crest (again) and metro-Albuquerque (again)**

Sunrise painted the Sandias pink as we ascended their eastern slope, and the road was free of snow and ice and we reached the summit (10,679'). It often takes hours before the rosy-finches appear, so we were caught off guard when the birds appeared after only five minutes. Clients were still scrambling up the icy slope, and Dorian was at the upper parking lot, looking for a better way to position people. The birds made 7-8 overhead passes but never landed on the feeder, a circumstance we attributed to our positional disorganization at that moment. We invested another 4 hours, but the flock never returned. It was a very painful pill, but that's birding. At least it was warm and sunny. It's worth noting that Dorian logged the flock as 35 rosy-finch 'sp'. Photos of the flock revealed Black and Brown-capped were present, but — for the same reason as yesterday's longspurs — the views of individual birds didn't meet the criteria for inclusion on the trip list. We did have great views of **Hairy Woodpecker, Red Crossbill, Pine Siskin, Cassin's Finch, and Red-breasted Nuthatch**, and a super cute **Abert's Squirrel** (photo on next page by client Paul Pilch) kept us entertained while we waited — in vain — for the rosy-finches to reappear. At least the views from the top were amazing on this crystal clear morning (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123765663>).



We descended, ate lunch at Jason's Deli, and returned to the Rio Grande Nature Center. Activity was low in the late-afternoon, but we had a really nice study of the same **Mexican Duck** we saw on Day 2. Apart from the expected feeder birds and dabbling ducks, an immature **Tundra Swan** was a welcome surprise. The bird had frequented the reserve and adjacent river for the previous few days, but none of us expected to see it fly into the observation pond right behind the visitors center (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123765789>).

We made a final pass through Tingley Beach without finding the sought Harris's Sparrow. (Note Wouter returned to Tingley the following day and saw it in the same place where Dorian saw it on Day 1.) Clients did enjoy photographing the various waterfowl in the afternoon light, and we secured views of **Black-crowned Night-Heron** and **Neotropic Cormorant** to round out the trip list (<https://ebird.org/checklist/S123760773>). Our closing dinner at Seared was fantastic, and everyone seemed happy with their New Mexico experience even if the rosy-finches proved elusive. You always need an excuse to come back, right?

Day 9 - Sunday, December 10 - Morning departures from Albuquerque

Ain't much to say about this day other than safe travels!

The 'Magnificent Seven' at Maxwell National Wildlife Refuge



Number of Checklists: 21 (#5 deleted as per note below)
Number of Species: 128***

***We saw one flock of longspurs (50+ birds, Checklist 19) and one flock of rosy-finches (35 birds, Checklist 20), both 'in-flight' only. From distant shots of the respective flocks, we noted Chestnut-collared and Thick-billed in the first and Black and Brown-capped in the second. However, I excluded those from our total because photographing flocks and cherry picking birds after the fact is a coarse and haphazard method of identification. More detailed and deliberate observation of individual birds is required for inclusion.

YOU DO NOT NEED AN eBIRD ACCOUNT TO VIEW THE FOLLOWING CHECKLISTS; YOU DO, HOWEVER, NEED AN ACCOUNT IF YOU WANT THE EMBEDDED DATA TO POPULATE IT.

Checklists included in this summary (all linked in above text as well)

- (1): [Rio Grande Nature Center SP - Date: Dec 4, 2022 at 9:40 AM](#)
- (2): [ABQ BioPark--Tingley Lagoon - Date: Dec 4, 2022 at 12:00 PM](#)
- (3): [Santa Fe Canyon Preserve - Date: Dec 4, 2022 at 3:17 PM](#)
- (4): [Maxwell NWR - Date: Dec 5, 2022 at 9:17 AM](#)
- (10): [Laguna Madre - Date: Dec 6, 2022 at 11:34 PM](#) (I resent this checklist; hence #10 replaced #5)
- (6): [Las Vegas NWR - Date: Dec 5, 2022 at 3:03 PM](#)
- (7): [Randall Davey Audubon Center - Date: Dec 6, 2022 at 7:28 AM](#)
- (8): [Santa Fe Ski Area - Date: Dec 6, 2022 at 9:08 AM](#)
- (9): [Bosque del Apache NWR - Date: Dec 6, 2022 at 3:46 PM](#)
- (11): [Bosque del Apache NWR - Date: Dec 7, 2022 at 6:56 AM](#) (one checklist for whole day)
- (12): [Cibola NF--Water Canyon - Date: Dec 8, 2022 at 8:06 AM](#)
- (13): [Elephant Butte Lake SP--Rock Canyon - Date: Dec 8, 2022 at 2:48 PM](#)
- (14): [Elephant Butte Lake SP--Paseo del Rio - Date: Dec 8, 2022 at 3:25 PM](#)
- (15): [Caballo Lake SP--Percha Flats - Date: Dec 9, 2022 at 7:26 AM](#)
- (16): [Percha Dam SP - Date: Dec 9, 2022 at 7:47 AM](#)
- (17): [Nutt-Hatch Playa - Date: Dec 9, 2022 at 1:03 PM](#)
- (18): [Cattle feedlot - Date: Dec 9, 2022 at 1:35 PM](#)
- (19): [CR A021 grasslands - Date: Dec 9, 2022 at 2:07 PM](#)
- (20): [Cibola NF--Sandia Crest - Date: Dec 10, 2022 at 7:38 AM](#)
- (21): [Rio Grande Nature Center SP - Date: Dec 10, 2022 at 1:49 PM](#)
- (22): [ABQ BioPark--Tingley Lagoon - Date: Dec 10, 2022 at 4:01 PM](#)

6026 Snow Goose -- (4),(9),(11),(17)

450 Ross's Goose -- (9),(11)

1 Greater White-fronted Goose -- (11)

35 Cackling Goose -- (4),(21)

940 Canada Goose -- (1),(2),(4),(9),(10),(11),(21),(22)

1 Trumpeter Swan -- (10)

2 Tundra Swan -- (21)

54 Wood Duck -- (1),(2),(21),(22)

1 Blue-winged Teal -- (14)

1022 Northern Shoveler -- (1),(4),(9),(10),(11),(14),(16),(17),(21),(22)

190 Gadwall -- (1),(4),(9),(10),(11),(14),(16),(21)
641 American Wigeon -- (1),(4),(9),(10),(11),(14),(16),(21),(22)
677 Mallard -- (1),(2),(4),(5),(9),(10),(11),(13),(14),(16),(17),(21),(22)
1 Mexican Duck -- (21)
3050 Northern Pintail -- (9),(10),(11)
230 Green-winged Teal -- (1),(4),(9),(10),(11),(14),(15),(16),(17),(21)
170 Redhead -- (4),(9),(10),(11)
70 Ring-necked Duck -- (2),(9),(10),(11),(21),(22)
95 Lesser Scaup -- (1),(2),(4),(10),(11),(22)
226 Bufflehead -- (1),(4),(9),(10),(11),(21)
14 Common Goldeneye -- (4),(10)
19 Hooded Merganser -- (1),(10),(11),(22)
116 Common Merganser -- (4),(10),(16),(21)
15 Ruddy Duck -- (10),(11),(21)
35 Gambel's Quail -- (11),(13)
18 Wild Turkey -- (7),(11)
9 Pied-billed Grebe -- (1),(2),(11),(21),(22)
1 Eared Grebe -- (11)
74 Western Grebe -- (13),(14),(15)
2 Clark's Grebe -- (13)
22 Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon) -- (2),(22)
31 Eurasian Collared-Dove -- (4),(16),(18)
81 White-winged Dove -- (1),(9),(11),(13),(14),(16),(21)
16 Mourning Dove -- (1),(2),(9),(11)
3 Greater Roadrunner -- (2),(11)
488 American Coot -- (1),(2),(9),(10),(11),(15),(21),(22)
3163 Sandhill Crane -- (1),(4),(9),(11),(16),(17),(21),(22)
29 Killdeer -- (4),(9),(11),(16),(17)
25 Least Sandpiper -- (17)
10 Long-billed Dowitcher -- (11),(17)
6 Wilson's Snipe -- (9)
3 Spotted Sandpiper -- (13),(16)
2 Greater Yellowlegs -- (14),(16)
109 Ring-billed Gull -- (10),(13),(14),(15),(16),(17),(19)
3 Neotropic Cormorant -- (1),(22)
2 American White Pelican -- (13)
13 Great Blue Heron -- (10),(11),(14),(15),(16)
4 Black-crowned Night-Heron -- (22)
9 White-faced Ibis -- (9),(11)
1 Osprey -- (14)
1 Golden Eagle -- (4)
11 Northern Harrier -- (1),(4),(9),(11),(17)
3 Sharp-shinned Hawk -- (7),(11),(22)
4 Cooper's Hawk -- (1),(11),(16)
10 Bald Eagle -- (4),(9),(10),(11)
14 Red-tailed Hawk -- (4),(6),(8),(9),(11),(16)

8 Ferruginous Hawk -- (6),(10)
1 Great Horned Owl -- (11)
2 Belted Kingfisher -- (16),(22)
1 Red-naped Sapsucker -- (12)
2 Acorn Woodpecker -- (12)
4 Downy Woodpecker -- (1),(3),(7),(8)
4 Ladder-backed Woodpecker -- (11),(12),(14),(16)
5 Hairy Woodpecker -- (12),(20)
34 Northern Flicker -- (1),(3),(4),(9),(11),(15),(16),(22)
18 American Kestrel -- (4),(6),(9),(11),(15),(16)
1 Prairie Falcon -- (11)
10 Black Phoebe -- (1),(9),(11),(14),(16),(21)
7 Say's Phoebe -- (9),(11),(16),(17)
1 Vermilion Flycatcher -- (16)
7 Loggerhead Shrike -- (4),(9),(11),(19)
3 Canada Jay -- (8)
8 Steller's Jay -- (8)
15 Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay -- (1),(3),(7),(11),(12),(14),(16)
3 Black-billed Magpie -- (7)
265 American Crow -- (1),(2),(11),(21),(22)
5 Chihuahuan Raven -- (16),(18),(19)
49 Common Raven -- (3),(4),(7),(8),(9),(10),(11),(16),(20)
6 Black-capped Chickadee -- (1),(3),(22)
29 Mountain Chickadee -- (3),(7),(8),(12),(20)
4 Juniper Titmouse -- (7),(11),(16)
3 Verdin -- (11),(14)
80 Horned Lark -- (4),(10),(19)
50 Bushtit -- (3),(7),(12)
19 Ruby-crowned Kinglet -- (9),(11),(12),(14),(16)
6 Golden-crowned Kinglet -- (8),(12)
4 Red-breasted Nuthatch -- (20)
17 White-breasted Nuthatch -- (1),(7),(8),(12),(16),(20),(21),(22)
4 Pygmy Nuthatch -- (12)
1 Brown Creeper -- (8)
2 Black-tailed Gnatcatcher -- (11)
5 Rock Wren -- (14),(16)
5 Bewick's Wren -- (1),(2),(11),(16)
224 European Starling -- (6),(16),(18)
1 Curve-billed Thrasher -- (17)
3 Crissal Thrasher -- (11)
10 Eastern Bluebird -- (1),(9)
46 Western Bluebird -- (12),(16),(21)
40 Mountain Bluebird -- (6)
10 Townsend's Solitaire -- (3),(7),(12),(13)
18 American Robin -- (1),(6),(12),(16),(21),(22)
25 Cedar Waxwing -- (16)

10 Phainopepla -- (16)
78 House Sparrow -- (2),(4),(11),(16),(18),(22)
21 American Pipit -- (9),(11),(16)
6 Sprague's Pipit -- (19)
12 Pine Grosbeak -- (8)
56 House Finch -- (1),(2),(3),(7),(11),(14),(16),(17),(21)
14 Cassin's Finch -- (12),(20)
11 Red Crossbill -- (16),(20)
22 Pine Siskin -- (7),(12),(20)
6 Lesser Goldfinch -- (1),(11)
4 American Goldfinch -- (16)
12 Brewer's Sparrow -- (17)
4 Black-throated Sparrow -- (11)
10 American Tree Sparrow -- (4)
76 Dark-eyed Junco -- (1),(3),(7),(12),(16),(20)
83 White-crowned Sparrow -- (1),(2),(9),(11),(14),(16),(17),(21)
7 White-throated Sparrow -- (1),(16),(21)
12 Song Sparrow -- (1),(2),(7),(11),(16),(21)
4 Lincoln's Sparrow -- (16)
1 Swamp Sparrow -- (16)
8 Spotted Towhee -- (1),(3),(7),(11),(16),(21)
8 Western Meadowlark -- (4),(6),(10)
1355 Red-winged Blackbird -- (1),(3),(4),(7),(9),(11),(13),(18),(21)
30 Brewer's Blackbird -- (11),(18)
6 Great-tailed Grackle -- (9),(11)
12 Yellow-rumped Warbler -- (1),(2),(9),(11),(14),(16)
5 Pyrrhuloxia -- (11),(14),(16),(17)

Mammals (as best as I can remember!)

Pronghorn
Elk
White-tailed Deer
Mule Deer
Raccoon
Coyote
Rock Squirrel
Abert's Squirrel
Black-tailed Prairie-dog
Alpine Chipmunk