

Christmas Bird Count Final Results - 179 Species

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Many thanks to the 86 participants in the 2021 Oceanside CBC on December 26, 2021. Final tally was 179 species, a bit under what we have had in the past few years. Several areas were not counted due to offshore weather conditions, but we were able to get on Camp Pendleton once again. We had a nice break from the rainy weather and enjoyed mostly sunny skies.

Notable species include Greater White-fronted Goose (Libby Lakes), Common Murre (seawatch), Iceland Gull (Buena Vista Lagoon), Yellow-crowned Night-Heron (San Luis Rey River), Red-naped Sapsucker (Guajome Lake, Gopher Canyon-north), Plumbeous Vireo (Las Palmas St. Carlsbad), Cactus Wren (Camp Pendleton), Purple Finch (Leo Carrillo, Gopher Canyon- south), Grasshopper Sparrow (Camp Pendleton), Green-tailed Towhee (Carlsbad Outlet), Hermit Warbler (Buddy Todd), Palm Warbler (Carlsbad Outlet, Fire Mountain), Yellow Warbler (Carlsbad residential, Oceanside WWTP), Wilson's Warbler (Buena Vista Lagoon, San Luis Rey River), Summer Tanager (El Arbol Carlsbad), and Western Tanager (Carlsbad residential).

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Green-tailed Towhee



Palm Warbler



Summer Tanager

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