



The Isle of Man

# Christmas Bird Race 2024

**Use this recording sheet to keep track of what you've seen, what's been reported and what is left to be looked for!**

At the end of each day, the Manx BirdLife website will be updated with the total number of species reported so far during the race period, at:

[www.manxbirdlife.im/recent-sightings/christmas-bird-race](http://www.manxbirdlife.im/recent-sightings/christmas-bird-race)

Updates will also be posted on Manx BirdLife's Facebook page and Twitter account (see below). The most likely species to be seen are listed overleaf. Tick off each species as they are seen. Add in extra species if necessary.

## Manx BirdLife Christmas Bird Race rules

- Spend as little or as much time as you wish looking for birds – on, above and around the Island and within Manx territorial waters.
- Sightings must be made during the 7-day period from Christmas Day to New Year's Eve inclusive (i.e. 00:01 on 25<sup>th</sup> Dec to 23:59 on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec).
- It isn't a competition! The aim is for birdwatchers across the island to work collectively to see the maximum number of species possible.
- Submit your sightings online at [www.ManxBirdLife.im/sightings/submit](http://www.ManxBirdLife.im/sightings/submit), or via [Twitter @ManxBirdLife](https://twitter.com/ManxBirdLife) using the hashtag #ManxBirdRace, or via our [www.facebook.com/ManxBirdLife](https://www.facebook.com/ManxBirdLife) page.
- For all sightings, please include your name, date, location (inc. OS Grid Reference if you know it), what you saw (species, how many) and any interesting aspects of what you saw.



## Photographs of your sightings

*We'd love you to share photographs of what you see with all of our Christmas Bird Racers.* You can upload them using any of the methods for submitting your records listed above (website, Twitter, Facebook.)

## What information should you report?

If you see a species that you don't think has yet been reported during the Christmas Bird Race period, please submit the record with the following information. Thank you!

- Your name
- Species name
- Location (inc. OS Grid Ref.)
- Date and Time
- Number of birds
- What the bird(s) were doing

Submit your sightings online at

[www.ManxBirdLife.im/sightings/submit](http://www.ManxBirdLife.im/sightings/submit),

or via [Twitter @ManxBirdLife](https://twitter.com/ManxBirdLife) using the hashtag #ManxBirdRace, or via

[www.facebook.com/ManxBirdLife](https://www.facebook.com/ManxBirdLife).

Date	Total no. of species seen to date during this Bird Race
25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	

## A note on safety – for you and the birds

If you venture out in cold or wet conditions, make sure you have suitable clothing and footwear.

Take care when walking and, if you are going off the beaten track, make sure someone knows where you are going and when to expect you back.

Please respect private property. Taking part in the Isle of Man Christmas Bird Race does not imply or grant any permission to enter onto private property.

Please respect the welfare of birds and other wildlife when taking part.

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# IOM Christmas Bird Race 2024: My species checklist

Species	Seen during race (tick)	Date first seen by me	Species	Seen during race (tick)	Date first seen by me	Species	Seen during race (tick)	Date first seen by me	Species	Seen during race (tick)	Date first seen by me	Species	Seen during race (tick)	Date first seen by me
Mute Swan			Red-throated Diver			Sanderling			Collared Dove			Blackbird		
Whooper Swan			Black-throated Diver			Dunlin			Barn Owl			Fieldfare		
Pink-footed Goose			Great Northern Diver			Purple Sandpiper			Long Eared Owl			Song Thrush		
Greylag Goose			Fulmar			Grey Phalarope			Short Eared Owl			Redwing		
Canada Goose			Gannet			Redshank			Kingfisher			Mistle Thrush		
Barnacle Goose			Cormorant			Greenshank			Great Spotted Woodpecker			Robin		
Brent Goose			Shag			Jack Snipe			Kestrel			Black Redstart		
Shelduck			Bittern			Woodcock			Merlin			Stonechat		
Wigeon			Little Egret			Snipe			Peregrine			Dunnock		
Gadwall			Grey Heron			Puffin			Chough			House Sparrow		
Teal			Little Grebe			Black Guillemot			Magpie			Tree Sparrow		
Mallard			Great Crested Grebe			Razorbill			Jackdaw			Grey Wagtail		
Pintail			Hen Harrier			Little Auk			Rook			Pied Wagtail		
Shoveler			Sparrowhawk			Guillemot			Carrion Crow			Meadow Pipit		
Pochard			Buzzard			Little Gull			Hooded Crow			Rock Pipit		
Tufted Duck			Water Rail			Sabine's Gull			Raven			Water Pipit		
Scaup			Moorhen			Kittiwake			Goldcrest			Brambling		
Eider			Coot			Black-headed Gull			Blue tit			Chaffinch		
Long-tailed Duck			Oystercatcher			Mediterranean Gull			Great Tit			Greenfinch		
Common Scoter			Grey Plover			Common Gull			Coal Tit			Linnet		
Velvet Scoter			Golden Plover			Lesser Black-backed Gull			Skylark			Twite		
Goldeneye			Ringed Plover			Herring Gull			Long-tailed Tit			Redpoll		
Smew			Avocet			Yellow-legged Gull			Chiffchaff			Common Crossbill		
Red-breasted Merganser			Lapwing			Iceland Gull			Blackcap			Goldfinch		
Goosander			Curlew			Glaucous Gull			Waxwing			Siskin		
Red-legged Partridge			Whimbrel			Great Black-backed Gull			Tree Creeper			Snow Bunting		
Red Grouse			Bar-tailed Godwit			Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon			Wren			Lapland Bunting		
Grey Partridge			Turnstone			Stock Dove			Starling			Yellowhammer		
Pheasant			Knot			Woodpigeon			Dipper			Reed Bunting		