

John Muir's Yosemite Bird List

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The **predominant bird and other animal sounds** in this recording (the sounds heard most clearly and centrally as the recording progresses) occur in two distinct sections. The majority of the episode is devoted to water sounds. Bird voices are heard in an apparent forest setting from 13:30 to 18:10, and an at least partly wetland setting from 20:00 to 22:55. Most of these voices in each setting occur intermixed in time, rather than in a neat sequence.

In the forest setting, the most prominent bird sounds and other animal sounds are (in the order in which they are first heard):

- Cassin's Finch
- Red-breasted Nuthatch
- Mountain Chickadee
- Warbling Vireo

Less prominent but clearly heard in this section: Townsend's Warbler, Red-breasted Sapsucker (drumming), Hammond's Flycatcher, Mountain Quail, Golden-crowned Kinglet, Douglas Squirrel

In the wetland setting, the most prominent bird sounds and other animal sounds are (in the order in which they are first heard):

- Yellow Warbler
- Song Sparrow
- Red-winged Blackbird
- Yellow-rumped Warbler

Less prominent voices in the wetland section are: Black-capped Chickadee, Warbling Vireo, Steller's Jay, Red-breasted Nuthatch, Western Wood-Pewee, Belted Kingfisher, Mountain Quail

Timeline of sounds over full recording:

0.00 – 2:25 spoken introduction

2:27 - 13:30 water sounds dominant

[5:20 Steller's Jay calls briefly]

[8:42 faint Red-breasted Nuthatch and very faint Golden-crowned Kinglet]

[9:50 Douglas Squirrel and Red-breasted Nuthatch obscured by water sounds]

13:30 - 18:10 forest habitat bird sounds noted above

18:11 – 20:00 water sounds increase to dominate soundscape

20:00 – 22:55 wetland habitat bird sounds noted above

22:56 - 27:44 water sounds dominant

