

Locations of Some Spring/Summer Birds of Grant County

Want to look for these summer visitors? This lists *some* of the locations where they have been seen. Our *Silver-City Area Birding* Guide gives directions to the numbered locations below. You can download that guide from <https://swnmaudubon.org/birding-locations/>.

<p>Black-chinned Hummingbird Widespread: Listen for the hum.</p>	<p>Blue Grosbeak: Prefers open areas; desert settings to open fields and forest edges.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● San Vicente Creek Trail #2 ● Gila River Farm #15 ● Gila River Iron Bridge #14 <p><i>Also:</i> Dragonfly Trail and City of Rocks State Park</p>
<p>Bullock's Oriole: Found in open woods and riversides.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Confluence of Mogollon Creek/Gila River #16 ● Gila River Farm #15 ● San Vicente Creek Trail #2 	<p>Painted Restart: Prefers pine/oak forest at higher elevations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● April/May: San Vicente Creek Trail #2 ● Most of the summer, sites along NM 15: Little Cherry Creek Road and Trail #4 Little Cherry Creek Campground #5 McMillan Campground #5 ● <i>Also:</i> Signal Peak Trailhead on NM 15
<p>Summer Tanager: Found along streams at the edges of willow and cottonwood forests.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● San Vicente Creek Trail #2 ● Gila River Iron Bridge #14 ● Gila Bird Area #11 	<p>Turkey Vulture Widespread: Seen in flocks soaring together or hanging around in bare trees.</p>
<p>Western Kingbird: Widespread: Look on power lines and at the tops of trees at the edge of open areas.</p>	<p>Common Black Hawk: San Vicente Creek Trail #2 From the trail head under the NM 90 bridge, follow the trail down along the creek and you'll see an informational sign about the Common Black Hawk. Look up in the trees for perching Black Hawks.</p>
<p>Zone-tailed Hawk: Widespread: Likes to soar with Turkey Vultures. Flies in large slow circles looking for prey.</p>	<p>Red-faced Warbler: Prefers pine/oak forest at higher elevations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sites NM 15: Little Cherry Creek Road and Trail #4 Little Cherry Creek Campground #5 McMillan Campground #6 <p><i>Also:</i> Signal Peak Trailhead on NM 15.</p>
<p>Cliff Swallows: The Western New Mexico University campus is the most reliable place to find Cliff Swallows. Check out the Student Union, Miller Library and Besse-Forward Global Resource Center buildings on campus. Watch the skies for circling groups and listen for the chatter as they build their nests under building eaves.</p>	<p>Vermilion Flycatcher: Found in cottonwood and willow trees near ponds and streams.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mangas Springs #11 ● Gila River Iron Bridge #14 ● Gila Bird Area #11 ● Gila River Farm #15
<p>Yellow-breasted Chat: Lower portions of dense thickets particularly along streams.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gila River Farm #15 ● Gila River Iron Bridge #14 ● Gila Bird Area #11 ● Confluence Mogollon Creek/Gila River #16 	<p>Yellow Warbler: Thickets along streams or pods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mangas Springs #11 ● Gila River Iron Bridge #14 ● Gila Bird Area #11 ● Gila River Farm #15 ● San Vicente Creek Trail #2