

List of Bird Species That Use Himalayan and Evergreen Blackberry Thickets in South -Western BC in the winter

Some of the species listed below use blackberry when it is near another habitat type, e.g., Chestnut-backed chickadee and Ruffed grouse will use blackberry thickets when they are near fifty- plus year-old Douglas-fir, western red cedar, Sitka spruce, and other coniferous trees; Virginia rail and marsh wren when blackberry is in or beside marsh zone. The predators either hunt from or along or over the blackberry thickets. Some species are uncommon, e.g., white-throated, Am. Tree and swamp sparrows, but are seen in small numbers nearly every winter. Not included are rarities like Tropical kingbird, Eurasian Redwing, Fieldfare and Brambling. Winter is from September to February inclusive.

P = Predator

S = Seed eater

s = will eat very small seeds

I = Insect, worm, grub, snail, insect egg & pupa eater

There are 48 species listed below, about 27 of those species could be considered regulars.

Northern Harrier - P
Cooper's Hawk - P
Sharp-shinned Hawk - P
Red-tailed Hawk - P
Rough-legged Hawk - P
American Kestrel - P
Merlin - P
Ring-necked Pheasant - I&S
Ruffed Grouse - I&S
California Quail - I&S
Virginia Rail - I
Mourning Dove - I&S
Northern Saw-whet Owl - P
Northern Pygmy-owl - P
Northern Flicker - I&S
Downy Woodpecker - I&S
Northern Shrike - P
Hutton's Vireo - I& s
Black-capped Chickadee - S&I
Chestnut-backed Chickadee - S&I
Bushtit - I & s
Marsh Wren - I& s
Winter Wren - I
Bewick's Wren - I
Brown Creeper - I
Golden-crowned Kinglet - I
Ruby-crowned Kinglet - I
Varied thrush - I&S

American Robin - I& s
Hermit Thrush - I& s
Orange-crowned Warbler - I
Yellow-rumped Warbler - I &s
Spotted Towhee - I&S
American Tree Sparrow - I&S
Savannah Sparrow - I&S
Fox Sparrow - I&S
Song Sparrow - I&S
Lincoln's Sparrow - I&S
Swamp Sparrow - I&S
White-throated Sparrow - I&S
Dark-eyed Junco - I&S
White-crowned Sparrow - I&S
Golden-crowned Sparrow - I&S
Red-winged Blackbird - I&S
Brewer's Blackbird - I&S
House Finch - I&S
Purple Finch - I&S
American Goldfinch - I&S