

HAWKS - Virtual Bird ID – The Arboretum – University of Guelph

Hawk	Flight	Wing Shape	Tail Shape	Wing Pattern	Tail Pattern	Other
Turkey Vulture						
Osprey						
Bald Eagle (adult)						
Bald Eagle (immature)						
Golden Eagle						
Golden Eagle (immature)						

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Broad-winged Hawk (adult)						
Broad-winged Hawk (immature)						
Red-shouldered Hawk (adult)						
Red-shouldered Hawk (immature)						
Red-tailed Hawk (adult)						
Red-tailed Hawk (immature)						
Rough-legged Hawk (light)						
Rough-legged Hawk (dark)						

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Sharp-shinned Hawk (adult)						
Sharp-shinned Hawk (immature)						
Cooper's Hawk (adult)						
Cooper's Hawk (immature)						
Northern Goshawk (adult)						
Northern Goshawk (immature)						
Northern Harrier (adult male)						
Northern Harrier (female and immature)						

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American Kestrel (male)						
American Kestrel (female)						
Merlin						
Peregrine Falcon (adult)						
Peregrine Falcon (immature)						
Gyr Falcon (white)						
Gyr Falcon (grey)						
Gyr Falcon (dark)						

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Sketching Sheet Challenge. Draw (yes, you can do it, no talent required!) a falcon shape, buteo shape, accipiter shape, osprey shape and harrier shape. Don't worry about details like individual primaries, just an overall shape. Focus on length of wings and length of tail. Rounded or pointed wings? Wing shape? You will be surprised at how this will stick in your brain and help you with your next flying hawk identification!