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<div>Black-bellied Plover</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 11.5". Black belly, face and bill; mottled white/grey back; short bill; back “armpits” seen in flight.</div>	<div>American Golden-Plover</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 10.5". Black belly, face and bill; brown mottled back &amp; cap; short bill.</div>	<div>Killdeer</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 10.5". Brown back; white belly; double band across breast; dark legs; short, black bill. Call is a high, strident <i>kill-deer</i>.</div>	<div>Piping Plover</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 7.25". Stocky, small plover; very pale upperparts compared to other plovers. Orange legs; narrow, broken breast band. Call is a clear, low-pitched, mellow whistled <i>peee-lo</i> and series of low soft whistles.</div>	<div>Semipalmated Plover</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 7". Brown back; white belly, cheeks &amp; forehead patch; yellow legs &amp; bill with black tip (breeding); black neck ring &amp; forehead; short bill.</div>	<div>American Avocet</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 18". Orangey head; black upturned bill; white body; black striped wings; long bill.</div>	<div>Marbled Godwit</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 18". Long, orange, slightly upturned bill with black tip; long, dark legs; buff-brown patterning all over.</div>	<div>Hudsonian Godwit</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 15". Long, upturned bill with black tip; black and white underwings; grey with black patterning all over; reddish chest during breeding.</div>
<div>Whimbrel</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 17.5". Only Manitoban species with long down-curved bill; relatively short grey legs; uniform grey-brown plumage; dark crown stripes.</div>	<div>Willet</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 15". Mottled brown-grey; long grey legs; thick, medium length grey bill; distinctive bold black &amp; white wing stripes when open. Call is a rolling <i>pilli-will-willet</i> repeated steadily.</div>	<div>Greater Yellowlegs</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 12". White underside; dark back with white speckling; long yellow legs; medium-long yellow bill with pale base and subtle up-turn. Call is a loud <i>deew deew deew</i>, repeated 3 to 4 times.</div>	<div>Lesser Yellowlegs</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 9". Smaller than Greater Yellowlegs; straighter, more sharply pointed, bill. Call is one or two short whistles, <i>too-too</i>.</div>	<div>Upland Sandpiper</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 12". Thin neck; short head with short yellow bill; yellow legs; long tail. Prefers grassland habitats. Call is distinctive liquid wolf-whistle (last note lower).</div>	<div>Short-billed/Long-billed Dowitcher</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 11". Long bill; long, pale legs; buff with dark patterning all over. These two species are very similar. Long-billed call is a sharp <i>keek</i> (sometimes repeated). Short-billed a liquid, rapid <i>kewtutu</i>.</div>	<div>Solitary Sandpiper</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 8.5". White belly; dark back with white spots; notable eye ring; straight bill; greenish-yellow legs.</div>	<div>Spotted Sandpiper</div> <div></div> <div>ID: 7.5". White chest with brown spotting during breeding; brown back &amp; cap; yellow legs &amp; bill; medium bill.</div>



