

Table 1. A higher-level classification of the perching birds (Passeriformes).

Class Aves

Subclass **Neornithes**

Infraclass **Neognathae**

Parvclass **Neoaves**

Cohort **Coracornithia**

Superorder Passerimorphae

Order Passeriformes

Suborder Acanthisitti

Family Acanthisittidae

Eupasseres *unranked name*

Suborder Tyranni

Infraorder Eurylaimides

Family Pittidae

Family Eurylaimidae

Family Philepittidae

Family Calyptomenidae

Family Sapayoidae

Infraorder Tyrannides

Parvorder Tyrannida

Superfamily Piproidea

Family Pipridae

Subfamily Neopelminae

Subfamily Piprinae

Tribe Piprini

Tribe Illicurini

Superfamily Cotingoidea

Family Cotingidae

Subfamily Piperolinae

Subfamily Cotinginae

Tribe Phytotomini

Tribe Rupicolini

Tribe Cotingini

Phibalura incertae sedis

Superfamily Tityroidea

Family Oxyruncidae

Family Onychorhynchidae

Family Tityridae

Subfamily Tityrinae

Subfamily Ptilochlorinae

Superfamily Platyrinchoidea

Family Platyrinchidae

Family Pipritidae

Family Tachurididae

Family Pipromorphidae

Subfamily Pipromorphinae

Subfamily Rhynchocyclinae

Subfamily Triccinae

Superfamily Tyrannoidea

Family Tyrannidae

Subfamily Hirundineinae

- Subfamily Elaeniinae
 - Tribe Euscarthmini
 - Tribe Elaeniini
- Subfamily Muscigrallinae
- Subfamily Tyranninae
 - Tribe Tyrannini
 - Tribe Myiarchini
- Subfamily Fluvicolinae
 - Tribe Fluvicolini
 - Tribe Xolmiini
 - Tribe Contopini

Parvorder Furnariida

- Superfamily Thamnophiloidea
 - Family Thamnophilidae
 - Subfamily Euchrepomidinae
 - Subfamily Thamnophilinae
 - Tribe Microrhopiini
 - Tribe Formicivorini
 - Tribe Thamnophilini
 - Tribe Pithyini
 - Tribe Pyriglenini
 - Subfamily Myrmornithinae
 - Family Melanopareidae
 - Family Conopophagidae
- Superfamily Furnarioidea
 - Family Grallariidae
 - Family Rhinocryptidae
 - Subfamily Rhinocryptinae
 - Subfamily Scytalopodinae
 - Family Formicariidae
 - Family Scleruridae
 - Family Dendrocolaptidae
 - Subfamily Sittasominae
 - Subfamily Dendrocolaptinae
 - Family Furnariidae
 - Subfamily Xenopinae
 - Subfamily Berlepschiinae
 - Subfamily Pygarrhichadinae
 - Subfamily Furnariinae
 - Subfamily Philydorinae
 - Subfamily Synallaxinae

Suborder Passeri

- Infraorder Menurides
 - Family Menuridae
 - Family Atrichornithidae
- Infraorder Climacterides
 - Family Ptilonorhynchidae
 - Family Climacteridae
- Infraorder Meliphagides
 - Family Maluridae
 - Subfamily Malurinae
 - Subfamily Amytornithinae
 - Family Dasyornithidae
 - Family Meliphagidae
 - Family Pardalotidae
 - Family Acanthizidae

- Subfamily Pachycareinae⁴
- Subfamily Acanthizinae
- Infraorder Orthonychides
 - Family Orthonychidae
 - Family Pomatostomidae
- Families *Incertae Sedis*:
 - Family Melanocharitidae
 - Family Cnemophilidae
 - Family Callaeidae
 - Family Notiomystidae
- Infraorder Corvides
 - Family Mohouidae
 - Family Neosittidae
 - Family Campephagidae
 - Subfamily Pericrocotinae
 - Subfamily Campephaginae
 - Family Cinclosomatidae
 - Family Pachycephalidae
 - Family Falcunculidae
 - Family Oreoicidae
 - Family Psophodidae
 - Family Eulacestomatidae
 - Family Paramythiidae
 - Family Vireonidae
 - Family Oriolidae
 - Subfamily Pitohuinae
 - Subfamily Sphecotherinae
 - Subfamily Turnagrinae
 - Subfamily Oriolinae
 - Superfamily Malaconotoidea
 - Family Rhagologidae
 - Family Machaerirhynchidae
 - Family Artamidae
 - Subfamily Peltopsinae
 - Subfamily Cracticinae
 - Subfamily Artaminae
 - Family Platysteiridae
 - Family Vangidae
 - Subfamily Vanginae
 - Subfamily Prionopinae
 - Family Pityriasidae
 - Family Aegithinidae
 - Family Malaconotidae
 - Superfamily Corvoidea
 - Family Dicruridae
 - Family Rhipiduridae
 - Family Laniidae
 - Family Corvidae
 - Family Monarchidae
 - Family Corcoracidae
 - Family Melampittidae
 - Family Ifridae
 - Family Paradisaeidae

⁴I act here as First Reviser in selecting Pachycareinae over Oreoscopinae as the basis for a family name since both names first appear in the same work. JC

- Infraorder Passerides
 - Parvorder Eupetida
 - Family Eupetidae
 - Parvorder Petroicida
 - Family Petroicidae
 - Subfamily Microecinae
 - Subfamily Drymodinae
 - Subfamily Eopsaltriinae
 - Subfamily Petroicinae
 - Subfamily Pachycephalopsinae
 - Subfamily Amalocichlinae
 - Parvorder Passerida
 - Family Promeropidae
 - Family Dicaeidae
 - Family Nectariniidae
 - Family Irenidae
 - Subfamily Ireninae
 - Subfamily Chloropseinae
 - Family Urocynchramidae *incertae sedis*
 - Family Prunellidae
 - Family Peucedramidae
 - Superfamily Ploceoidea
 - Family Ploceidae
 - Family Estrildidae
 - Subfamily Estrildinae
 - Subfamily Lonchurinae
 - Family Viduidae
 - Family Passeridae
 - Family Motacillidae
 - Family Fringillidae
 - Subfamily Fringillinae
 - Subfamily Euphoniinae
 - Subfamily Carduelinae
 - Tribe Coccothraustini
 - Tribe Drepanidini
 - Tribe Carpodacini
 - Tribe Pyrrhulini
 - Tribe Carduelini
 - Superfamily Emberizoidea⁵
 - Family Plectrophenacidae
 - Family Rhodinocichlidae
 - Family Emberizidae⁶
 - Family Passerellidae
 - Family Phaenicophilidae
 - Family Zeledoniidae
 - Family Parulidae
 - Family Icteridae
 - Subfamily Icteriinae
 - Subfamily Icterinae
 - Family Calyptophilidae
 - Family Mitrospingidae
 - Family Cardinalidae

⁵ I act here as First Reviser in selecting Emberizidae over Icteridae as the basis for a superfamily name since both names first appear in the same work. JC

⁶ The sequence change here, placing Emberizidae ahead of Passerellidae, was made at a moment when the sequence used in the main pages of this work could no longer be changed. [Eds.]

Family Thraupidae

Family *Incertae Sedis*:

Family Hyliotidae

Parvorder Sylviida

Superfamily Paroidea

Family Stenostiridae

Family Paridae

Family Remizidae

Family Nicatoridae *incertae sedis*

Superfamily Alaudoidea

Family Alaudidae

Family Panuridae

Family Macrosphenidae

Family Cisticolidae

Subfamily Neomixinae

Subfamily Eremomelinae

Subfamily Cisticolinae

Subfamily Priniinae

Superfamily Locustelloidea *new rank*

Family Locustellidae

Family Donacobiidae

Family Bernieridae

Family Acrocephalidae

Family Pnoepygidae

Family Hirundinidae

Subfamily Pseudochelidoninae

Subfamily Hirundininae

Family Pycnonotidae

Superfamily Aegithaloidea *new rank*

Family Phylloscopidae

Family Scotocercidae

Subfamily Erythrocerinae

Subfamily Scotocercinae

Subfamily Cettinae

Family Aegithalidae

Superfamily Sylvioidea

Family Sylviidae

Family Zosteropidae

Family Timaliidae

Family Pellorneidae

Family Leiothrichidae

Parvorder Muscipida

Family Regulidae *incertae sedis*

Superfamily Bombycilloidea

Family Dulidae

Family Bombycillidae

Family Hypocoliidae

Hylocitrea incertae sedis

Family Ptiliogonatidae

Family Mohoidae

Superfamily Certhioidea

Family Certhiidae

Family Sittidae

Subfamily Sittinae

Subfamily Salpornithinae

- Subfamily Tichodrominae *incertae sedis*
- Family Troglodytidae
- Family Polioptilidae
- Superfamily Muscipoidea
- Family Buphagidae
- Family Mimidae
- Family Sturnidae
 - Subfamily Sturninae
 - Subfamily Rhabdornithinae
 - Subfamily Mainatinae
- Family Cinclidae
- Family Muscipidae
 - Subfamily Muscipinae
 - Tribe Copsychini
 - Tribe Muscipini
 - Subfamily Niltavinae
 - Subfamily Cossyphinae
 - Subfamily Saxicolinae
- Family Turdidae
 - Subfamily Myadestinae
 - Subfamily Turdinae