

Can you identify common birds in San Diego County?



Red tailed hawk



Look for: Adults have rusty red tail, juveniles where a
"belt" of darker feathers across their chest
Seen: Perching on poles or soaring



Red shouldered hawk

Look for: Black-and-white bands on
the tail, red barred chest
SHeard: Making "cheer-cheer-cheer"
calls



American crow

VS



Common Raven

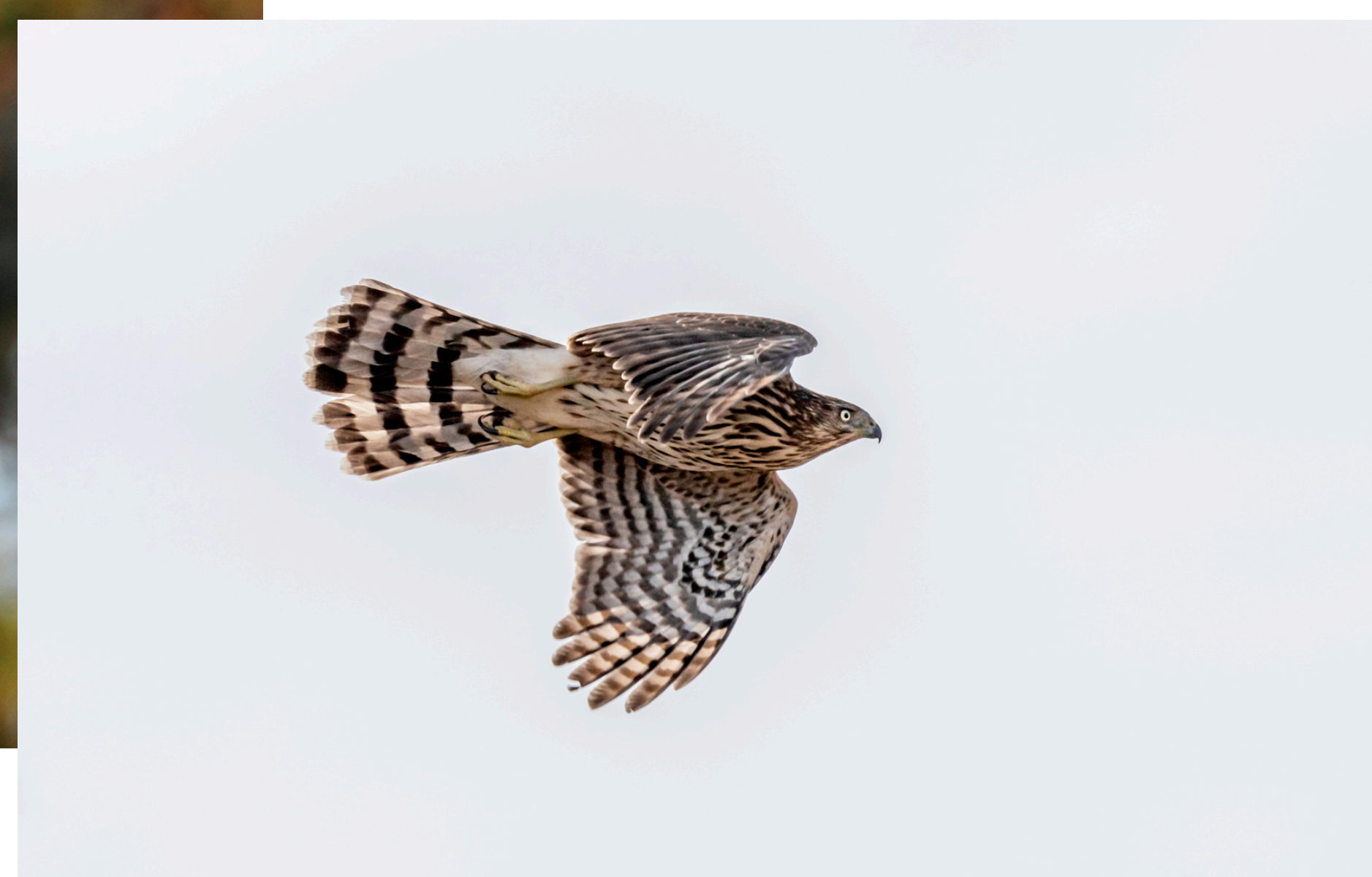
Look for: Entirely black, straight fan-like tail
when flying
Heard: Making a caw-caw sound in family
groups

Look for: Wedge-shaped tail: think "V" for raven
Heard: Making a croaking sound, wings make
whooshing noise



Cooper's hawk

Look for: Red barred chest in
adults, brown streaked chest in
juveniles
Seen: Hanging out at bird baths



Turkey vulture

Look for: Wings with silvery feathers in V-
shape in flight
Seen: Making wobbly flights overhead

