

Purple Finch: Small numbers in the summer, very uncommon in winter

Body – rather bulky with large head and thick neck, adult males with few streaks, females and young with crisply patterned underside streaks

Face – pale, well-defined “eyebrow” above the eye

Bill – heavy with straight "from head to tip" triangle shape

Tail – rather short and plain white underneath

Number - likely 1 or 2 birds



House Finch: Common all year

Body – slim, all adults and young with lots of rather blurry streaks on the body underside

Face - females have a plain-looking face

Bill – a bit smaller with curved top from head to tip

Tail - rather long with streaked undertail coverts.

Number - may be seen individually, as a pair, or in a flock of any number up to 30ish

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