

Bird Spotting Cheat Sheet:

Found a bird in your garden but not sure what it is? Use this cheat sheet to help identify common UK bird species.

Common Blackbird

This omnivore is has black feathers all over its body with a long yellow beak. Has a distinctive yellow 'ring' in its eye.

Bluetit

This small bird is easily recognisable with its bright yellow and blue feathers and can be heard singing all year round.

Magpie

The common magpie is famous for its love of shiny things! These birds are very intelligent and are easily recognisable with their black and white plumage.

Chaffinch

The chaffinch is a small bird. The male features bright red feathers on its belly and a grey cap/ neck.

Robin

The robin red-breast can be spotted all year round, not just at Christmas! Robins love eating insects & fruit.

Collared Dove

These birds have light grey feathers with a distinctive black 'collar' around its neck. Commonly found feeding in groups when there are lots of seeds & grains to be eaten.

Sparrowhawk

A small bird of prey, often found near woodland and so gardens are often used as hunting grounds. Males feature grey/blue feathers with yellow feet, whereas the female features brown & black wings.

House Sparrow

This small bird with a large beak used to eat nuts and seeds. It features brown feathers with a grey cap and a black bib.

Great Tit

Visually similar to a blue tit however, is much larger and features a distinctive black head with white cheeks.

Wren

A tiny brown bird, with a long, narrow tail and short wingspan. Loves feeding on insects & worms across the UK.

Jay

Despite being colourful, these birds are quite shy and are often found near woodland.

Greenfinch

Named after its bold yellow/green feathers, greenfinches commonly visit gardens and love feeding on seeds and insects.

Bird Watching Checklist:

Have you seen these birds in your garden? Grab your binoculars and tick them off as you see them.

Tip Place a variety of food in an easy to spot location in the garden.

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