




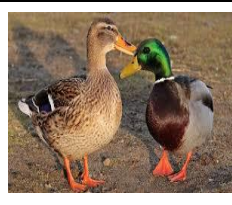

# TAKE AND MAKE:

## Homeschool: Backyard Bird Bookmarks

Ages 5 +



Spring is a great time to learn more about the birds that live in Colorado Springs! Look at the photos on this bookmark and check off the birds that you can find. There may be some hidden in plain sight at your library location! Or head outdoors to see how many species you can spy. Erase your checkmarks with a damp cloth and use the bookmark again and again. See below for bird species names.

	<p><b>Blue Jay</b> Perky crest; blue, white, and black plumage; and noisy calls</p>		<p><b>Magpie</b> Striking black and white feathers on tails; wings are iridescent, flashing shades of green and purple in the right light</p>
	<p><b>Canadian Goose</b> Large wild goose with a black head and neck, white cheeks, white under its chin, and a brown body</p>		<p><b>Mallard Duck</b> Males: gleaming green head, gray flanks, and black tail-curl Females: brown and white with a small blue patch on wings that shines in the sun</p>
	<p><b>House Finch</b> Adult males are rosy around the cheeks and chest</p>		<p><b>Red-Winged Blackbird</b> Glossy-black males have scarlet-and-yellow shoulder patches.</p>
	<p><b>House Sparrow</b> Males: grey crowns, white cheeks, black bib, chestnut back Females: backs striped with buff and black</p>		<p><b>Robin</b> Red breast, brown body; eggs are pale blue or "robin's-egg blue"</p>
	<p><b>Eurasian Collared Dove</b> (also known as Ring-Necked Dove) White tail feathers, dark-tipped wing</p>		<p><b>Steller's Jay</b> Dark blue, black-crested jay with variable white or blue markings on the head</p>

Turn over for bird resources!



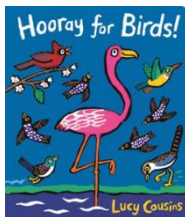
# Bird Websites

[allaboutbirds.org/news/](http://allaboutbirds.org/news/) (from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology: Online Guide to Birds and Bird Watching)  
[www.birdnote.org/](http://www.birdnote.org/) (short, bird-based podcasts)  
[www.audubon.org/](http://www.audubon.org/) (from the Audubon; check out the “Birds & Guides” section for downloads and more)  
[petersonguides.com/](http://petersonguides.com/) (download a mobile app guide)

## Bird Books

### J-Easy

Cousins, Lucy. *Hooray for Birds!*



Matheson, Christie. *Bird Watch*

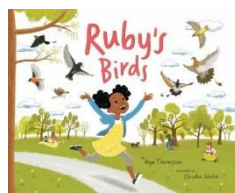


Muir, Coll. *Can Cat and Bird Be Friends?*

Sauer, Tammy. *Wordy Birdy*



Thompson, Mya. *Ruby's Birds*



Young, Cybele. *Ten Birds*

### J-Nonfiction

Aston, Diana Hutts. *A Nest Is Noisy* (591.564 ASTO)

Frost, Helen. *Hello, I'm Here!* (811.6 FROS)

Jenkins, Martin. *Bird Builds a Nest* (531.113 JENK)

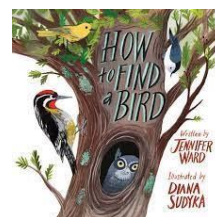
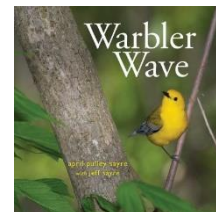
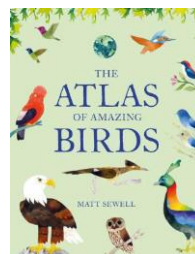
Page, Robin. *The Beak Book* (598.14 PAGE)

Sayre, April Pulley. *Warbler Wave* (598.872156 SAYR)

Sewell, Matt. *The Atlas of Amazing Birds* (598.022 SEWE)

Teckentrup, Britta. *Birds and Their Feathers* (598.147 TECK)

Ward, Jennifer. *How to Find a Bird* (598.07234 WARD)



### J-Fiction

Pla, Sally J. *The Someday Birds*

