

Plan your bird adventure!

Before you start your adventure, use this list to think about what to take on your bird search.

You might want to pack:

- suncream
- a hat
- water
- plasters
- antiseptic cream



If it's cold, you could take:

- a warm hat
- a scarf
- gloves
- warm socks



If it's wet outside, you may want:

- wellies and a rain hat
- a poncho or raincoat
- an umbrella



Other equipment:

- a camera
- a journal
- a magnifying glass



Sticker activity

Colour in your four item stickers and stick them in the boxes below.

Sticker activity

Fill in this scene using your bird stickers.

Birds Close to Home

Fun fact

Birds shed their feathers at least once a year.

How to find birds

Bird-watching requires two things:
patience and observation.

Try not to make loud noises and never disturb a bird's **habitat** – this way you'll make sure they keep returning.

Habitat is the natural home of a living thing.

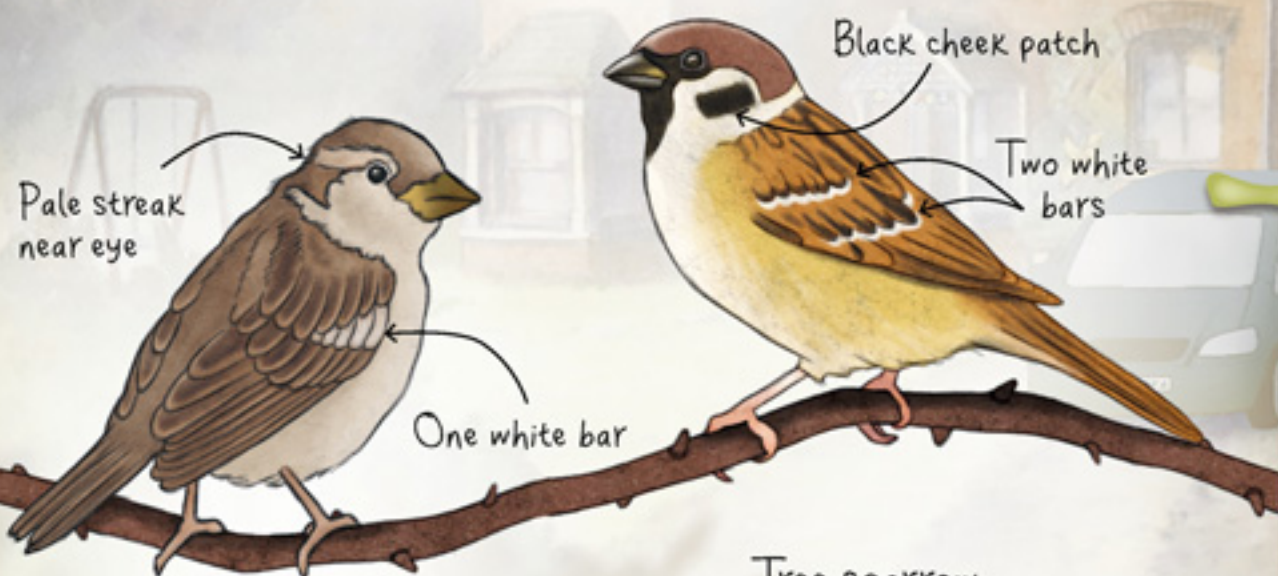


Nimble nesters

If you look in your garden or up at the roof of your house, you may spot birds nesting there.

Super sparrows

Sparrows are common birds that chirp and cheep.



House sparrow

House sparrows nest in empty buildings and birdhouses. They can make their nest from paper, straw or even string.

Look for

A small light brown bird that has one white bar on each wing (female house sparrow). The male is grey and brown.

Tree sparrow

Tree sparrows may nest in trees or open woodland. Often, tree sparrows re-use the same nest year after year.

Look for

A small bird that has two white bars on each wing and a small black cheek patch.

Fascinating finches

Female goldfinches build nests on tree branches and in bushes.

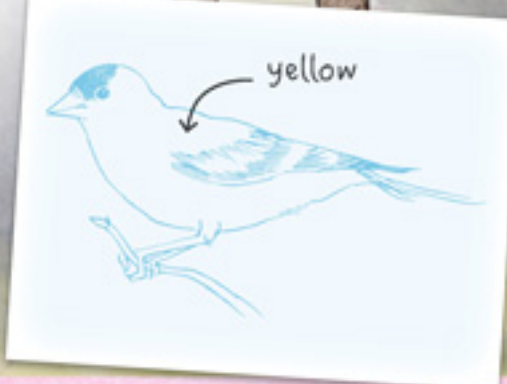
Look for

A black and white head, red face, yellow wing streak and a short tail. American goldfinches can be bright yellow!



Sticker activity

Find out the correct colour of an American goldfinch. Colour in your sticker and stick it in this box.



Nest cake recipe

Make edible nests by following this simple recipe.

You'll need:

- 200g milk chocolate, broken into pieces
- 85g shredded wheat, crushed
- 2 x 100g bags mini chocolate eggs
- 12 cupcake cases

1. Ask an adult to melt the chocolate. Pour the chocolate over the shredded wheat and stir to combine.
2. Spoon the mixture into 12 cupcake



- cases and press a teaspoon in the centre of each to create a nest shape.
3. Chill the nests in the fridge until set, then decorate with chocolate eggs.