



Your guide



Everyone counts! How to take part

Count the birds you see in your garden or from your balcony for one hour between 29 and 31 January 2021.

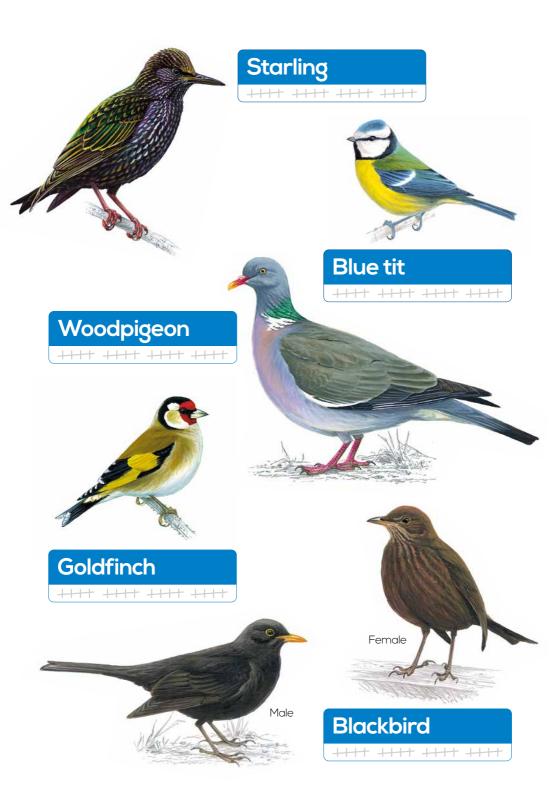
- Please only include those that land, not those flying over.
- Count the most birds you see at any one time, otherwise you
 could count the same bird twice. For example, if you saw a group
 of eight starlings, and towards the end of the hour you saw six
 starlings together, please write eight as your final count.



Go to rspb.org.uk/birdwatch to tell us what you saw.

- The more people who tell us what they saw, the better the picture we will have of how our garden birds are doing.
- Remember even if you saw nothing, it still counts.
- If you are unable to submit your result online, please complete and send us the enclosed form.

For an easy way to count and submit your findings go to **rspb.org.uk** on your smart phone





Robin

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Long-tailed tit

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Greenfinch

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Female

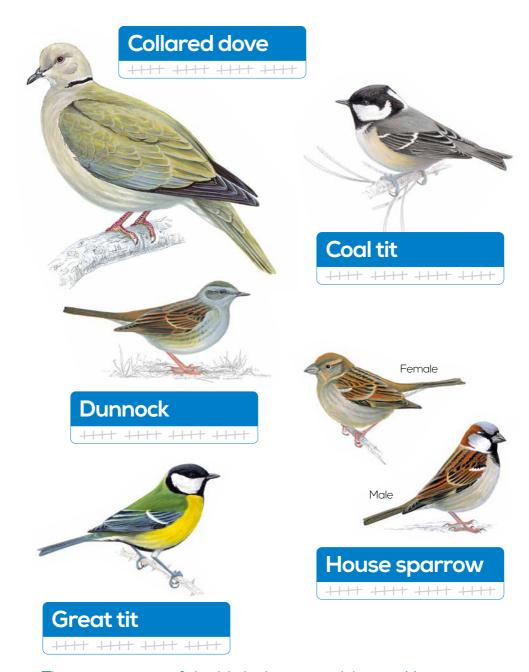
Chaffinch

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Magpie

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These are some of the birds that you might see. You can use the tally to help you count. You'll find lots of tips on identifying birds as well as their calls at **rspb.org.uk/birdwatch**

How to get the best from your Birdwatch

Prepare your patch

During winter, food is scarce so give birds a helping hand by putting out food and water. They can take a little time before they become regular visitors, so don't give up if they don't all flock in at once!

Feed your feathered friends

From putting seeds in a feeder to hanging out fat balls, there are lots of ways to encourage birds to your patch. Even a small window feeder can make a big difference. What food you put out can also influence what turns up: if you'd like to see a goldfinch try nyger seeds, for example. For more information about feeding your garden visitors, visit rspb.org.uk/birdwatch

Share your love for nature

We're delighted that you're joining the Big Garden Birdwatch community to help us better look after our natural world. You can find more about the RSPB and other ways to get involved at rspb.org.uk

Share your Birdwatch

We'd love to hear how you get on. Plus, when you submit your findings online, we'll show you your results instantly for you to share with your friends and family.



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