

Winter Wren

Found in closed canopy forests at any elevation, these birds can be found creeping around brush piles, fallen logs, and stream banks. Males attract the females by singing, and the males may nest with more than one female. Nests are usually built in natural cavities.

Bushtit

Inhabiting both deciduous and coniferous areas with shrubby growth, the bushtit adore an open canopy area. Being a social bird, bushtits are found in flocks of 40 or more. During the cold, these birds huddle together at communal roots for warmth. Their diet consists of insects, spiders, seeds, and berries.



Dark-Eyed Junco

During breeding season, this bird thrives in moist conifer forests with dense understory and forest openings, while during winter in open woodlands and brushy areas. This is a flocking bird with a distinct social hierarchy. The male sings from its high perch to defend its territory and also attract a mate.

Protecting our Local Birds

Habitat loss: The most critical threat to bird species worldwide is the threat of habitat loss. Habitat is destroyed through logging, the draining of wetlands, and construction of flat surfaces (leading to the drainage of wetlands). The most helpful ways to prevent habitat loss and destruction are by purchasing land of conservation importance, setting aside land or gazetting it as a national park or other protected area, and passing legislation preventing landowners from undertaking damaging land use practices, or paying them not to undertake those activities.

Introduced Species: By introducing foreign species into the ecosystem the native species cannot protect themselves from the oncoming dangers, and this leads to inevitable termination. To protect the birds from this danger, it is best to carefully watch domestic pets.

Everyone can help protect our local wildlife. This might mean forming a community group and starting a conservation project in your neighborhood or simply installing a birdfeeder in your garden. It all helps.

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