

# What kind of bird is that?

When identifying birds, start by observing their location and behavior. Is the bird up high, making noise? Or is it on the ground, digging in leaves?

Next, observe its appearance. Is it big like a crow, or small like a sparrow? Does it have pointy wings, or a long tail? What color is it? And what sort of markings does it have?

These things can help you identify the birds you are looking at!

Check off the birds you find on your hike today!



**American Bald Eagle**  
*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*  
high-pitched whistling or piping notes



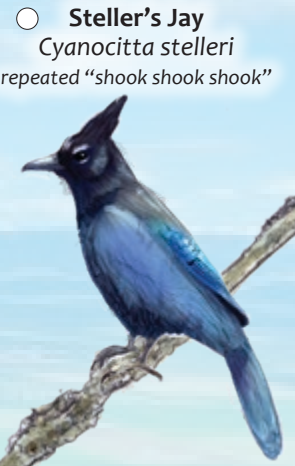
**Mourning Dove**  
*Zenaida macroura*  
mournful "coo"



**Western Meadowlark**  
*Sturnella neglecta*  
low "pluck, pluck"



**American Crow**  
*Corvus brachyrhynchos*  
"caw, caw, caw"



**Steller's Jay**  
*Cyanocitta stelleri*  
repeated "shook shook shook"

**Black-capped Chickadee**  
*Poecile atricapillus*  
"chicka-dee-dee-dee"



**Wild Turkey**  
*Meleagris gallopavo*  
loud gobble

**Dark-eyed Junco**  
*Junco hyemalis*  
rapid "chip-chip-chip-chip"



**House Sparrow**  
*Passer domesticus*  
"chirrup chirrup"



**Tree Sparrow**  
*Spizelloides arborea*  
"tweedle eat, tweedle eat"



**California Quail**  
*Callipepla californica*  
"Chi-ca-go, Chi-ca-go"



**Dusky Grouse**  
*Dendragapus obscurus*  
series of low pitch 'hoo'



**American Robin**  
*Turdus migratorius*  
"cheer up, cheer up, cheerily"





● **tail markings**  
Is the tail tip a different color, such as white?

● **tail bars**  
Are there any stripes across the bird's tail?

● **wing bars**  
Does the bird have bars or patches of color on the wing?

● **belly**  
What color is the bird's belly?

● **breast**  
Are there any spots or coloration on the chest?

● **throat**  
Is the bird's throat a different color?

● **beak or bill**  
What shape and color is the beak?

● **eye features**  
What colors are around the eye?

● **side**  
What color are the bird's sides?

● **nape**  
Is the back of the neck another color?

● **crown**  
Does the bird have a crest or different color on top of the head?

☐ **Northern Flicker**  
*Colaptes auratus*  
rising, rhythmic "kwik-kwik-kwik"

## Field Marks

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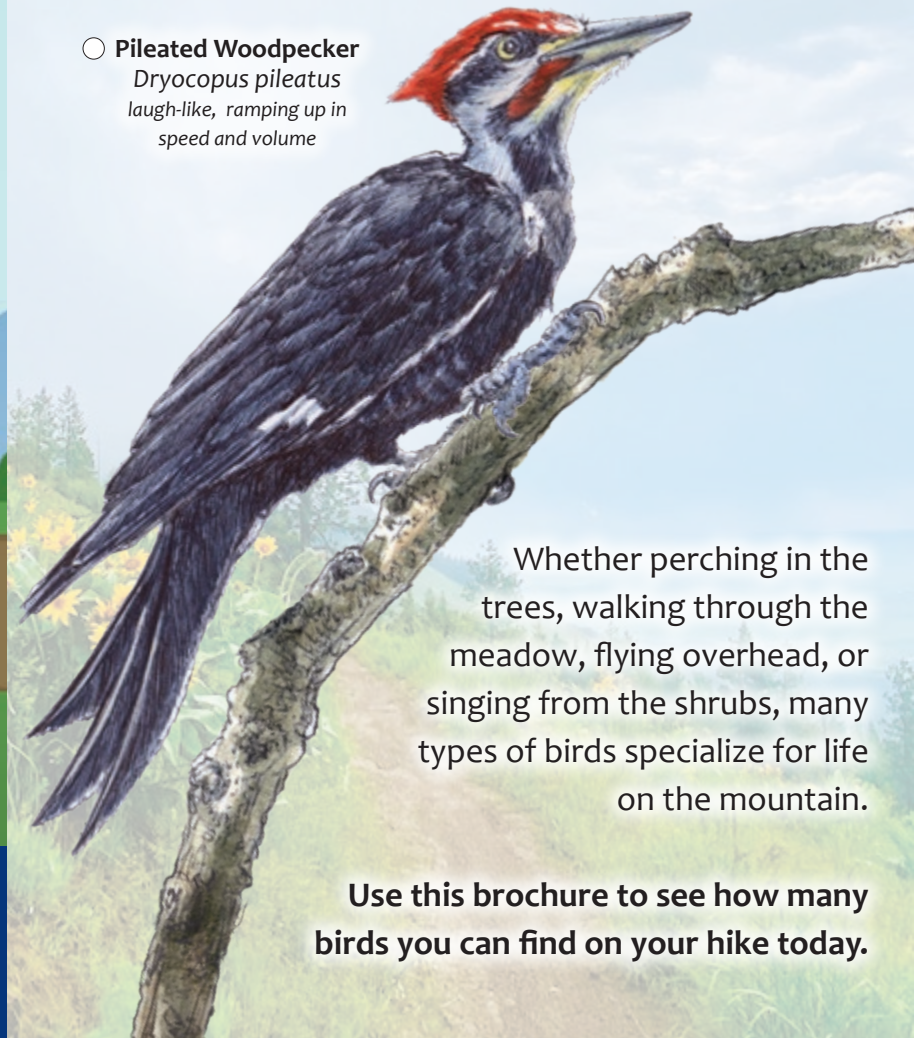
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# Birds of Mount Emily

○ **Pileated Woodpecker**  
*Dryocopus pileatus*  
laugh-like, ramping up in speed and volume



Whether perching in the trees, walking through the meadow, flying overhead, or singing from the shrubs, many types of birds specialize for life on the mountain.

Use this brochure to see how many birds you can find on your hike today.