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Birds of Hermanson Pond

• Great Blue Heron Ardea herodias squawk "roh-roh-roh"or a series of deep "frawnk"

> Whether perching in the trees, wading through the water, flying overhead, or singing from the shrubs, many types of birds specialize for life in this ecosystem.

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

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 see!

Check off the birds you find on your hike today!

Mallard Anas platyrhynchos series of quacks

O Canada Goose Branta canadensis honks "h-ronk"

○ Cackling Goose Branta hutchinsii high-pitched yelps

> **OWood Duck** Aix sponsa Loud, squeaky "oo-eek, oo-eek" or "what, what, what"

O Belted Kingfisher Megaceryle alcyon

harsh, mechanical rattles

O Red-tailed Hawk

Buteo jamaicensis

"keee-arr" raspy scream

OTundra Swan Cygnus columbianus clear "Ooou Ooou"

○ Barn Swallow Hirundo rustica series of warbles followed by mechanical "whirrs"

O Cedar Waxwing Bombycilla cedrorum high pitched 'seee' or 'bzeee'

Mareca strepera "bek! bek! bek!"

Gadwall

OWilson's Snipe Gallinago delicata repeated, sharp "jick" or "chip-per"



O Ring-necked Duck Aythya collaris series of gruff barks