





# 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!

☐ **Red-tailed Hawk**  
*Buteo jamaicensis*  
“keee-arr” raspy scream



☐ **Belted Kingfisher**  
*Megascyle alcyon*  
harsh, mechanical rattles



☐ **Barn Swallow**  
*Hirundo rustica*  
series of warbles followed by mechanical “whirrs”



☐ **Cedar Waxwing**  
*Bombycilla cedrorum*  
high pitched ‘see’ or ‘bzeee’



☐ **Mallard**  
*Anas platyrhynchos*  
series of quacks



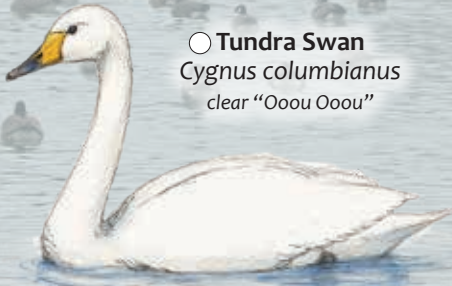
☐ **Ring-necked Duck**  
*Aythya collaris*  
series of gruff barks



☐ **Gadwall**  
*Mareca strepera*  
“bek! bek! bek!”



☐ **Tundra Swan**  
*Cygnus columbianus*  
clear “Ooou Ooou”



☐ **Canada Goose**  
*Branta canadensis*  
honks “h-ronk”



☐ **Cackling Goose**  
*Branta hutchinsii*  
high-pitched yelps



☐ **Wood Duck**  
*Aix sponsa*  
Loud, squeaky “oo-eek, oo-eek” or “what, what, what”



☐ **Wilson’s Snipe**  
*Gallinago delicata*  
repeated, sharp “jick” or “chip-per”



☐ **Killdeer**  
*Charadrius vociferus*  
shrill/high-pitched “kill-deer, kill-deer”

