

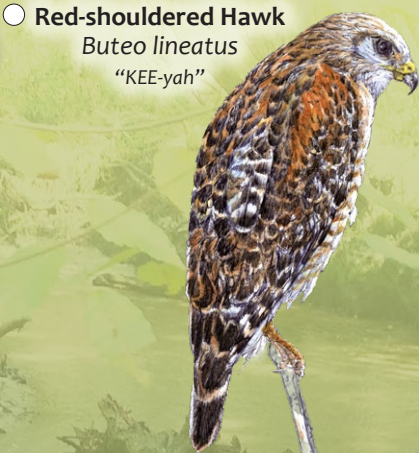
What kind of bird is that?

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?

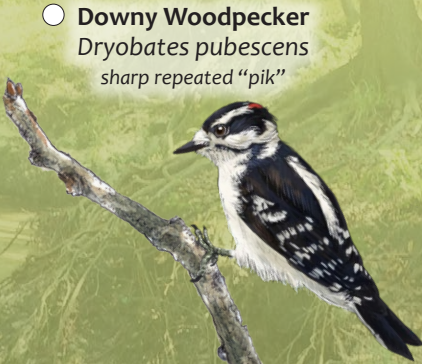
Next, observe its appearance. Is it big like a crow, or small like a sparrow? Does it have pointy wings, or a long tail? What color is it? And what sort of markings does it have?

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

Check off the birds you find on your hike today!



○ Red-shouldered Hawk
Buteo lineatus
“KEE-yah”



○ Downy Woodpecker
Dryobates pubescens
sharp repeated “pik”



○ Mourning Dove
Zenaida macroura
mournful “coo-ooo”



○ Barred Owl
Strix varia
“Who cooks for you? Who cooks for you all?”



○ Carolina Chickadee
Poecile carolinensis
“chickadee-dee-dee”



○ Yellow-rumped Warbler
Setophaga coronata
“check, check, check”



○ Blue Jay
Cyanocitta cristata
harsh “javy”



○ Carolina Wren
Thryothorus ludovicianus
repeated raspy chatter



○ Tufted Titmouse
Baeolophus bicolor
“peter, peter, peter”



○ Red-bellied Woodpecker
Melanerpes carolinus
“kwirr, kwirr”



○ Northern Mockingbird
Mimus polyglottos
repeated phrases of sounds they’ve “collected” including other bird sounds



○ American Crow
Corvus brachyrhynchos
loud “Caww Caww”



○ American Robin
Turdus migratorius
“cheer-up, cheerily, cheer-up, cheerily”



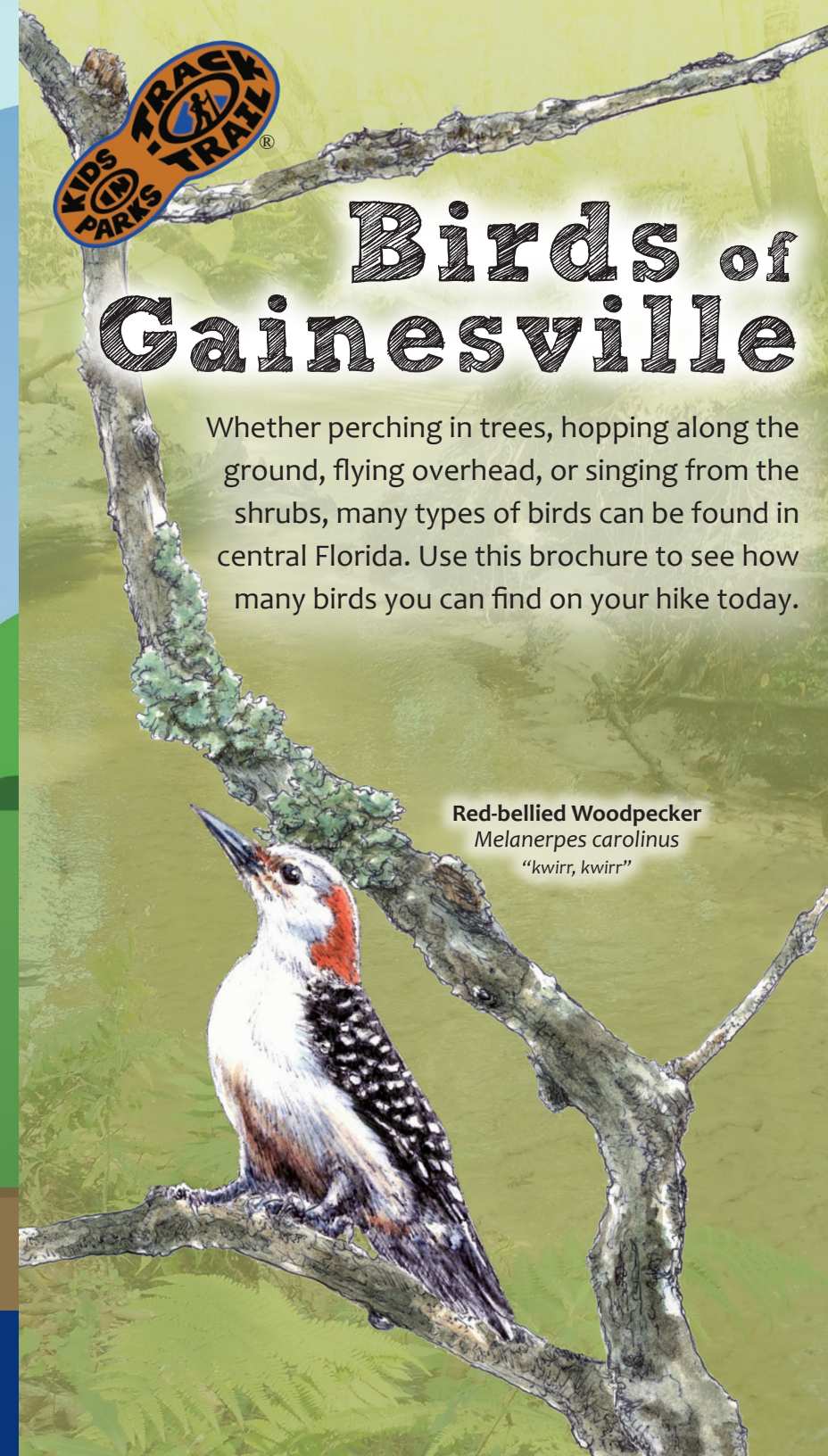
○ Northern Cardinal
Cardinalis cardinalis
“cheer, cheer, cheer”



Birds of Gainesville

Whether perching in trees, hopping along the ground, flying overhead, or singing from the shrubs, many types of birds can be found in central Florida. Use this brochure to see how many birds you can find on your hike today.

Red-bellied Woodpecker
Melanerpes carolinus
“kwirr, kwirr”



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Field Marks

In addition to size, shape, location and behavior, field marks can be used to help identify birds. If you can't identify a bird on your hike, remembering what certain parts of the bird looked like can help you identify it when you get home. On your birding adventure, try to find a bird you don't know and see if it has any of the following field marks:

☐ **wing bars**
Does the bird have wing bars or patches?

☐ **nape**
Is the bird's nape a different color?

☐ **crown**
Does the bird have a colored "cap" or a crest on its head?

☐ **eyestripe**
Does the bird have a stripe through the eye?

☐ **eyebrow**
Does the bird have an eyebrow? What color?

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

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

☐ **side**
Does the bird have coloring on the sides?

☐ **breast**
Does the breast have speckles or bands of color?

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

☐ **beak or bill**
What shape and color are the beak?

☐ **tail markings**
Does the bird have white edges on its tail or a different color on the tip?

Blue Jay
Cyanocitta cristata
harsh "jayy"

