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Irish Garden Bird Survey

2019/2020

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Tips on counting your garden birds

- Each week you note the highest number of each bird species that you see at any one time when looking at your garden. If you see some birds almost every day, remember that we only want your highest single count for a species in a given week. And then start fresh the following week!
- So, if you see two Blue Tits in the morning and three in the evening, then your number 'to beat' for the rest of the week is three. Never sum your counts between days or even from different times of the day.
- Count birds that come into your garden, even if they do not feed on the food you put out for them.
- Don't count birds that are in neighbouring fields or flying overhead though (except birds of prey seen hunting).
- Count as accurately as possible. Please do not use plus signs as we do not know if that means at least one or as many as 500!
- If you see a bird that is not on the list overleaf, please add it to the end of the form. If you're not sure of a new species, look it up in a bird book or get in touch with us to help identify it.
- See our website bit.ly/gardenbirds99 for more details.

Your garden

Is your garden... (tick box if answer is 'yes')

Urban (in a town or city centre)?

Suburban (on outskirts of a town or city)?

Rural (in or beside open country or farmland)?

What size is your garden?

Half the size of a tennis court or smaller

Approximately tennis court-sized

Larger than a tennis court

An acre or larger

Do you provide any of the following?

Berry bushes Scraps

Peanuts Fruit

Seeds in feeders Fat, suet, other cake

Nyjer seed Water

Have you completed this survey in the past?

Did you send us a survey form before? yes no

Have you seen a sick bird?

This year we are asking survey participants to provide a little extra information on sick birds. We are particularly focusing on finch species that are increasingly suffering from trichomoniasis.

Affected birds will appear slow and lethargic and have difficulty swallowing, often with bits of food stuck to their bill. If you see a sick bird with these symptoms in your garden, please let us know the species and put the number in the box for the corresponding week(s). See our website bit.ly/sickbirds99 if you need more information.

Name of sick species	Survey weeks (showing starting dates)												I didn't see any sick birds in my garden	
<input type="text"/>	2 Dec	9 Dec	16 Dec	23 Dec	30 Dec	6 Jan	13 Jan	20 Jan	27 Jan	3 Feb	10 Feb	17 Feb	24 Feb	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Irish Garden Bird Survey Recording Form

Week starting:

2 9 16 23 30 6 13 20 27 3 10 17 24
Dec Dec Dec Dec Dec Jan Jan Jan Jan Feb Feb Feb Feb

Sparrowhawk													
Robin													
Wren													
Dunnock													
Pied Wagtail													
Starling													
House Sparrow													
Blackcap													
Goldcrest													
Blackbird													
Song Thrush													
Mistle Thrush													
Blue Tit													
Great Tit													
Coal Tit													
Long-tailed Tit													
Chaffinch													
Greenfinch													
Goldfinch													
Bullfinch													
Siskin													
Redpoll													
Woodpigeon													
Feral pigeon													
Collared Dove													
Magpie													
Jackdaw													
Rook													
Hooded Crow													
Pheasant													
Linnet													
other species													
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Please return completed form not later than 31st of March 2020 to

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