

What's so great about watching birds?

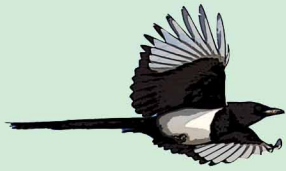
It's a fun, easy, low-cost family activity you can do almost anywhere.



According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, bird watching is the number one sport in the U.S. with over 51 million participants.



Birds connect us to the natural world, even in highly developed areas like cities and suburbs.



Watching birds helps us gain insight into their intelligence and adaptability. It also allows us to see how our activities are affecting their behavior.



"Birds occupy every habitat on earth, and they are surprisingly plentiful in urban and suburban environments. Take a few moments to look at and listen to all the birds that occur right around you—even while waiting for or riding the bus!"

-Ted Floyd, Editor of Birding Magazine

What's so great about riding the bus?

If you take the bus instead of using a car for a 20 mile-per-day commute, you can save an average of \$5460 per year, based on AAA cost of driving statistics.



If one in ten Americans used public transportation regularly, the U.S. reliance on foreign oil could be cut by more than 40%.



The American Public Transportation Association states, "Riding the bus instead of driving provides more environmental and economic benefits than using energy-efficient light bulbs, adjusting your thermostat, weatherizing your home, and replacing your old refrigerator combined."



If you change a 20-mile round-trip car commute to public transportation, your carbon emissions will decrease by 4800 pounds per year.

Did you know?

Ravens, the most intelligent of all birds, are now thought to be as intelligent as great apes and dolphins.



European starlings have the ability to mimic human speech better than some parrots.



FOR MORE INFORMATION please visit the project website:

busbirding.societynr.net

Find out more at the exhibition "Bird Shift" from August 22-December 31 at the CU Museum of Natural History.

Created in collaboration with EcoArts Connections, RTD, GO Boulder, Boulder East TMO, and the CU Museum of Natural History, among others.

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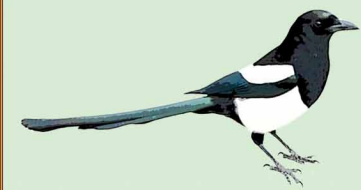
Concept, artwork and design by Brian D Collier

BUS BIRDING

helps you learn about birds in Boulder County



Have you ever wondered about birds you see perching on a building, roosting in a nearby tree, or pecking at food on the sidewalk?



Do you have a bird story to share?

Please call or text **720-310-0509** and tell us all about it.

SOME BIRDS YOU MIGHT SEE FROM THE BUS OR AT STOPS ALONG THE LONG JUMP ROUTE

A great way to find birds is to look for movement: up in the sky, at the edges of trees or shrubs, in grassy areas, and on branches and power lines. You can also listen for bird sounds at stops.



Turkey Vulture



Red-tailed Hawk



American Kestrel



Chimney Swift



Cliff Swallow



Barn Swallow



Rock Pigeon



Eurasian Collared-dove



Mourning Dove



Northern Flicker



Black-billed Magpie



American Crow



Common Raven



Black-capped Chickadee



American Robin



European Starling



Common Grackle



House Finch



House Sparrow



American Goldfinch

LOOK FOR MORE BUS BIRDING INFORMATION AT THESE LONG JUMP ROUTE BUS STOPS *(All stops are on Arapahoe unless otherwise noted.)*

14th St.(Boulder Transit Center) | 13th St.(Boulder Creek Path) | 17th St.(Boulder High) | 30th St. | Boulder Creek | Foothills Pkwy. | Conestoga St.

63rd St.(Naropa) | BVSD-Arapahoe Campus | US 287(East Side) | Baseline Rd.@Cornelius St. | South Public Rd.@Chester St. | Lafayette Park-n-Ride