



Starling

Fact file

Size: 21.5cm Weight: 78g

Habitats: Woods, grassland, farms and towns.

On the menu

Eaten by: Sparrowhawks, goshawks, kestrels and peregrines.

Eats: Insects, spiders, worms, caterpillars, soft fruit, nuts and fat balls. It is an omnivore.

Where it feeds: On the ground or bird tables and feeders.

Strange but true

Starlings can make lots of sounds, including whistles, quacking like a duck and making the noise of a barking dog or car alarm.

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Black-headed gull

Fact file

Size: 36cm Weight: 290g

Habitats: Lakes, estuaries, farms, grassland and rubbish tips.

On the menu

Eaten by: Peregrines, marsh harriers and foxes.

Eats: Insects, worms, slugs, sea creatures, small fish and bread. It is an omnivore.

Where it feeds: On the ground, often on grass.

Strange but true

You might see it hopping quickly from one foot to the other. This makes worms think it is raining, so they come to the surface and the gull can then eat them.

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Magpie

Fact file

Size: 45cm Weight: 220g

Habitats: Woods, parks, gardens, farms, moors and towns.

On the menu

Eaten by: Sparrowhawks, peregrines and foxes.

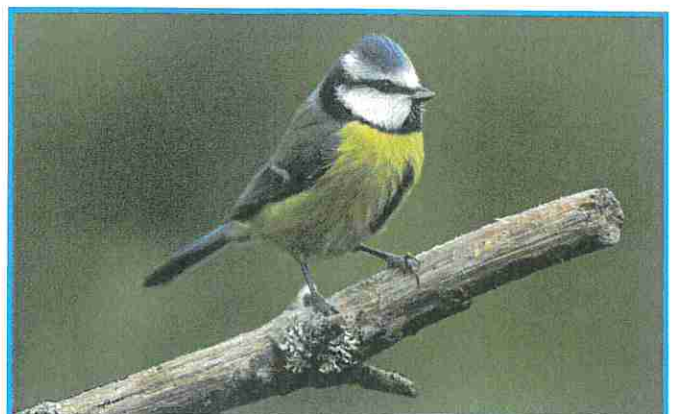
Eats: Most things, including insects, small mammals, young birds, fruit, berries and bird seed. It is an omnivore.

Where it feeds: On the ground or a bird table.

Strange but true

Magpies will hide food when there is lots. They are very good at remembering where they have put it.

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Blue tit

Fact file

Size: 11.5cm Weight: 11g

Habitats: Woods, parks, gardens, towns and cities.

On the menu

Eaten by: Sparrowhawks and cats.

Eats: Insects, spiders, caterpillars, berries, nuts, sunflower seeds and kitchen scraps. It is an omnivore.

Where it feeds: In trees, on bird tables and bird feeders.

Strange but true

Blue tit chicks can eat 100 caterpillars a day. To feed 10 chicks, adults need to find 1,000 caterpillars a day.

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