



Woodpigeon

Fact file

Size: 41cm Weight: 450g

Habitats: Farmland, woods, gardens and towns.

On the menu

Eaten by: Sparrowhawks, peregrines, foxes and cats.

Eats: Mainly plants, such as cabbage and ivy, plus bird seed. It also eats insects and so is an omnivore.

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

Strange but true

When it is showing off to other woodpigeons, it claps its wings together above its back before gliding down steeply.

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Male

Female

Blackbird

Fact file

Size: 25cm Weight: 100g

Habitats: Woods, gardens, parks and farmland.

On the menu

Eaten by: Kestrels, peregrines, sparrowhawks and cats.

Eats: Insects, worms, berries, fruit, and scraps from the kitchen such as cheese. It is an omnivore.

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

Strange but true

It may be called a blackbird, but the females and young birds are brown.

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Carrion crow

Fact file

Size: 46cm Weight: 510g

Habitats: Farmland, woods, hills, towns and cities.

On the menu

Eaten by: Goshawks and foxes.

Eats: Most things, including dead animals, birds, worms, mammals, insects, grain and fruit. It is an omnivore.

Where it feeds: On the ground, where it walks or hops.

Strange but true

Crows are intelligent and can solve problems. In Japan, some crows place walnuts in front of cars at traffic lights. They eat the nuts after the cars have cracked the shells.

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Male

Female

House sparrow

Fact file

Size: 15cm Weight: 34g

Habitats: Gardens, parks, buildings, farms and towns.

On the menu

Eaten by: Sparrowhawks and cats.

Eats: Adults eat seeds, grain and household scraps (herbivores). Chicks are fed insects and caterpillars (carnivores).

Where it feeds: Mainly on the ground or bird feeders.

Strange but true

House sparrows have been introduced to every continent in the world, except Antarctica.

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