

Hermit Thrush	<i>ooo tweedle-ee-dle, ooo tweedle-ee-dle</i>	Bobolink	<i>bobolink-a-link-a-link</i>
Wood Thrush	<i>ee-o-lay, trill</i>	Eastern Meadowlark	<i>spring of the year</i>
Veery	(rolling down the scale) like whistling in the shower	Red-winged Blackbird	<i>conk-a-re</i>
Robin	<i>cheer up, cheer-ee up</i>	Killdeer	<i>kill-deer, kill-deer, kill-deer</i>
Northern Oriole	an inspired robin	Bob-white Quail	<i>bob-bob-nhie!</i>
Scarlet Tanager	a hoarse robin	American Goldfinch	<i>per-chick-a-re, "potato chip"</i>
Rufous-sided Towhee	<i>drink-your-tea!</i>	Song Sparrow	<i>ka-ching, ka-ching...</i>
Carolina Wren	<i>teakettle teakettle teakettle</i>	Field Sparrow	dropping a coin
Tufted Titmouse	<i>pio-pio-pio</i>	Least Flycatcher	<i>che-beck</i> or <i>Que-bee</i>
Black-capped Chickadee	(call) <i>chickadee-dee-dee</i> (song) <i>coo-ee, coo-ee</i>	Eastern Phoebe	<i>fee-bee</i> or <i>fee-bee</i>
Wood Pewee	<i>pee-oo-wee, pee-ooo</i>	Great-crested Flycatcher	<i>queep!</i>
Ovenbird	<i>teacher-teacher-TEACHER</i>	Red-tailed Hawk	<i>kee-er!</i>
Yellow Warbler	<i>sweet-sweet, happily elite</i>	Downy Woodpecker	ratle going <u>down</u>
Black-throated Green Warbler	<i>zee-zee-zee-zoo-zee</i>	Barred Owl	<i>who cooks for you?</i> <i>who cooks for you-all?</i>
Common Yellowthroat	<i>witchery-witchery-witchery</i>	American Bittern	<i>oink-a-tsoink</i>
Red-eyed Vireo	<i>Here I am, Where are you?</i> <i>How ya doin'? I'm okay...</i>		

Birding by Ear

A list of mnemonics to aid in recognition of birds' songs.

We hear birds much more often than we can see them, especially in wooded areas in late Spring and Summer. Expert and novice birders alike often use memory-jogging phrases to remind them what birds' songs sound like. This brochure lists a few of the commonly-used ones.

You are invited to make up your own mnemonic phrases and jot them down here – whatever helps you to identify the birds you hear.

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