



BIRD SPECIES OF THE DAY

Here is a little bit of information about
some common garden birds...

MONDAY



BLUE TITS are familiar, brightly coloured garden visitors which love eating from feeders. They're also fans of using nest boxes. Later in the year, look out for yellow-ey coloured juveniles (youngsters) hopping around. We have 6539 records of blue tits in Cheshire in the last 10 years

TUESDAY

A common visitor to many gardens, did you know BLACKBIRDS are Sexually Dimorphic – the males and females look different (and the females aren't even black!) There are 9618 records of blackbirds in Cheshire (in the last 10 years), making it our MOST RECORDED bird species.



WEDNESDAY



ROBINS aren't just for Christmas! Adults are unmistakable with their bright red breast, but juveniles are a bit trickier, looking nothing like their parents! They're one of the earliest UK birds to start nest building and their breeding season has already begun. We hold 6698 records of Cheshire Robins (last 10 years).

THURSDAY

GREAT TITS are often confused with the slightly smaller blue tit. Look out for a black head and streak down their chest. There are 5315 records of Great tits in Cheshire (last 10 years)



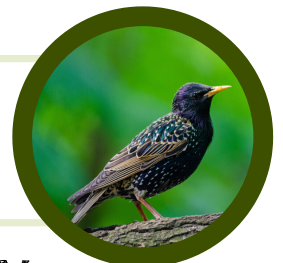
FRIDAY



Did you know... a group of SPARROWS is known as a 'Quarrel'? House Sparrows are usually noisy garden visitors mostly seen in groups. Unfortunately, their numbers have plummeted recently, decreasing by around 70% since the 70s. Data from your garden could help scientists keep an eye on how they're doing

SATURDAY

STARLINGS visit gardens all year round but they look quite different in the Summer vs the Winter. Winter starlings look more 'speckled' with lots of white spots. Starlings are another bird that is in decline. Records from gardens are vital in helping us keep an eye on how they're doing.



SUNDAY



DUNNOCKS have one of the most unusual mating systems of any bird – they can be polygynandrous – both males and females have multiple mates! Sometimes known as the 'Hedge Sparrow' these are often confused with house sparrows. We hold 4001 Dunnock records in Cheshire (last 10 years)

