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Great Blue Heron

Size: Very large

Description: Gray heron, may have some reds and whites to go with the "blue."

Sightings: Common year-round

Habitat: Hourglass Lake



Red-bellied Woodpecker

Size: Medium

Description: This bird gets its name from a pink-red streak on the belly that is hard to see most of the time.

Sightings: Common year-round

Habitat: Meadow Garden



Red-tailed Hawk

Size: Large

Description: Our most common non-vulture raptor; can be extremely variable in colorations.

Sightings: Fairly common year-round

Habitat: Meadow Garden



Northern Cardinal (male)

Size: Medium

Description: Bright red bird with head crest commonly seen in backyards and at feeders.

Sightings: Common year-round

Habitat: Hourglass Lake, Meadow Garden



Northern Cardinal (female)

Size: Medium

Description: Features a size and shape similar to its male counterpoint, but with a browner color.

Sightings: Common year-round

Habitat: Hourglass Lake, Meadow Garden



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Northern Mockingbird

Size: Medium

Description: Very noisy; sings many songs. Listen for three or more calls then a change in song as it moves to a different song. White on wings and tail very noticeable in flight.

Sightings: Common vear-round

Habitat: Hawk Point in Meadow Garden, Combination Garden



Goldfinch (male)

Size: Small

Description: Has a steep undulating flight, so sometimes hard to find by sound. When flying makes a call that sounds like the words "potato chip."

Sightings: Common vear-round

Habitat: Meadow Garden



Goldfinch (non-breeding)

Size: Small

Description: Females, juveniles, and non-breeding males can be quite muted but always show the black with white bars on wings.

Sightings: Common vear-round

Habitat: Meadow Garden



Northern Flicker

Size: Medium

Description: A woodpecker, but often seen on the ground eating ants. Has an undulating flight and a white rump when seen flying away. Brown bird with spots and black patch on breast, red on head, and yellow under wings.

Sightings: Common

vear-round

Habitat: Meadow Garden,

Forest Walk



Song Sparrow

Size: Small

Description: Usually heard before seen—listen for three clear notes followed by a jumble of notes.

Sightings: Common

year-round

Habitat: Meadow Garden

