

Bird Point Counts:

First, learn to identify common bird species in your garden. Maculay Library, the world's largest archive of bird sound: www.birds.cornell.edu/MacaulayLibrary

Procedure:

Select an observation post in your garden. Use the same post for the entire study. Conduct 1-2 counts per week during May, June over a 6-week period if you want to connect birds with arthropod populations. Time your counts (ideally) during the period between 6 AM and 9 AM.

Make observations over a 10-minute period on each day, wait 10 minutes before beginning so birds adjust. Avoid poor weather (i.e. temperatures < 50° F, rain, high winds). Record your observations on this tally sheet

Species number	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
American Crow						
American Goldfinch		-	-			
American Robin		-	-			
Anna's Hummingbird		-	-			
Band tailed Pigeon		-	-			
Bewick's Wren		-	-			
Black-capped Chickadee		-	-			
Black headed grosbeak		-	-			
Bushtit		-	-			
Chestnut-backed Chickadee		-	-			
Dark-eyed Junco		-	-			
Downy Woodpecker		-	-			
European Starling		-	-			
House Finch		-	-			
House Sparrow		-	-			
Lesser Goldfinch		-	-			
Mourning Dove		-	-			
Northern Flicker		-	-			
Orange crowned Warbler		-	-			
Red-breasted Nuthatch		-	-			
Song Sparrow		-	-			
Spotted Towhee		-	-			
Stellar's Jay		-	-			
Swainson's thrush		-	-			
Townsend's Warbler		-	-			
Western Scrub Jay		-	-			
Western Tanager		-	-			
Western Wood Peewee		-	-			