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Irish Garden Bird Survey



The Irish Garden Bird Survey starts on Monday 25th November 2024 – it is available to everyone and we hope that many of you will take part this year.



Between November and February every year, people are requested to look around their garden and count the different birds that they see each week. The population of Bird Species in in serious decline and our Gardens are becoming an ever more important refuge for many species. Because Birds are one of the most studied groups of animals, it gives us an excellent account of how the Environment and Ecosystems are coping with impact of things such as Climate Change.

Taking part is fun, easy and an ideal way to get to know your garden birds better; it also makes an ideal school project. It would be great if lots of people did the survey and shared the results with other schools in the area to create a wide view of the Kinvara area. This would as time progresses, provide valuable data to Bird Species populations.



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Your garden details

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 County: _____ Eircode: _____
 E-mail address: _____

Is your garden... (tick box if answer is 'yes')

Urban (in a town or city centre?)
 Suburban (on outskirts of a town or city)?
 Rural (in or beside open country or farmland)?

What size is your garden?

Half the size of a tennis court or smaller
 Approximately tennis court-sized
 Larger than a tennis court but less than an acre
 An acre or larger

Do you provide any of the following?

Peanuts Fruit
 Seeds (sunflower, mixed) Berry bushes
 Njyer seed Scraps
 Fatballs, suets (any form) Water

Have you completed the survey from this address before? yes no

Did you see any sick birds during the survey? yes no

If yes, then provide details below

Have you seen a sick bird?

We are asking survey participants to provide a little extra information on sick birds. We are particularly focusing on finch species that are increasingly suffering from trichomoniasis.

Name of sick species: _____

Survey weeks (showing starting dates)

25 Nov	2 Dec	9 Dec	16 Dec	23 Dec	30 Dec	6 Jan	13 Jan	20 Jan	27 Jan	3 Feb	10 Feb	17 Feb
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Card number: _____
 Expiry date: _____ Security code: _____

Cardholder's signature: _____

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The Survey also asks for information on different things, such as the size of your Garden, the kinds of foods you put out to feed the birds in your Garden.

It provides detailed advice on the best ways to count the birds in your Garden each week.

There is also a section to fill in if you see a sick bird in your garden.

If you are having trouble identifying a bird, then the best idea is to use the App Merlin Bird ID available from the App Store for iphone or Google Play for Android. You can also see a list of Birds that can be found in Ireland on the Bird Watch Ireland website by clicking the link below:-

[List of Ireland's Birds - BirdWatch Ireland](https://www.birdwatchireland.com/irish-garden-bird-survey)

For more information on this year's survey click the link below:-

[Irish Garden Bird Survey](https://www.birdwatchireland.com/irish-garden-bird-survey)

You can download the Survey by using the link below:-

[Irish Garden Bird Survey Download](https://www.birdwatchireland.com/irish-garden-bird-survey-download)

You can also fill in the Survey Online if you wish too – although I would always keep a copy on paper too!!

[Irish Garden Bird Survey online-form](https://www.birdwatchireland.com/irish-garden-bird-survey-online-form)

