UTOWN@UBC Nature Club

Backyard Birding Log

Make new friends while getting to know your human, plant and animal neighbours!
Use this log to record your observations of the birds you see.

Where are the best birding spots in your neighbourhood?

**Explore UBC's campus!**

Birds can often be found around feeders, water and plants with flowers, fruits or seeds. Look in courtyards, parks and forested areas.

**Keep a list of your favourite spots:**
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Use this guide as a starting point for birding on campus. More information can be found in field guides (make sure the field guide you use is for the area you are birding) or online. A great online resource is the Cornell Lab of Ornithology (allaboutbirds.org). This site has a good collection of bird sounds that can be used to identify the birds you hear.
Date _______ Location ________________________

Can you identify the bird?
My bird is a: ________________________________

Sound
Did you hear the bird sing? YES/NO
If yes, what did it sound like? __________________

Size
Circle the size of the bird below.
Very small  Small  Medium  Big
Under 12 cm  12-22 cm  22-40 cm  Over 40 cm

Shape
Circle the appropriate silhouette for the bird below.

Perching bird
Water bird
Tree-clinging bird
Hawk-like bird
Owl-like bird

OTHER:
If the bird doesn’t match one of these silhouettes, draw its shape.

Colour Pattern
Write down what colours you saw on different parts of the bird. When you get home you can colour it in.

head _______________

bill _______________

back _______________

wings _______________

breast _______________

belly _______________

bill _______________

breast _______________

tail _______________

feet _______________

Habitat
What habitat was it in? (Ex. forest, lake)

Where was it? (Ex. on the ground, in the trees)

Behaviour
What was it doing? (Ex. eating, flying)

Was it alone or was it with others?
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