

Woodland Birds at Manch Estate



Blackbird
Lon dubh



Bullfinch
Corcrán coille



Chaffinch
Rí Rua



Chiffchaff
Tiuf-teaf



Dunnock
Dallóg Fhraoigh



Goldcrest
Cíorbhuí



Greenfinch
Lasair choille



Jay
Caróg liath



Kestrel
Pocaire gaoithe



Longtailed Tit
Meantán earrfhada



Sedge Warbler
Ceolaire cíbe



Siskin
Siscín



Sparrowhawk
Spioróg



Song Thrush
Smólach ceoil



Tree Creeper
Snag



Woodpigeon
Colm coille

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Although a high number of birds have been recorded in Ireland (450), a large number of these are migratory or occasional visitors. Ireland has a relatively low density of breeding birds, these include the blackbird and the kestrel.

Woodlands are particularly important for a large numbers of Irish birds. A huge diversity of birds are found in native broadleaf woodlands where they breed and forage for food. Bird populations are widely recognised as indicators of environmental quality.

Many Irish bird populations are declining due to habitat destruction, pesticide use and changes in farming practises and unsustainable woodland management, such as planting non-native tree monocultures for clearfelling. Bird populations in farmland across 25 European countries have declined by 48% since 1980.

Why is a diversity of Bird Species important?

Birds are an integral part of the ecosystem, and serve many important purposes, including: distribution of seeds that leads to forest conservation, food source for bird predators and insect and rodent pest control. Different bird species have evolved to fill different ecological niches; some eat insects, some distribute seeds, some provide food for raptors who in turn control rodents. Each native species is important for helping to conserve the forests, meadows and other habitats for Ireland.

Full list of Irish Birds found at Manch Estate

Barn Owl, Black Bird, Blackcap, Blue Tit, Bullfinch, Chaffinch, Chiffchaff, Coal Tit, Collared Dove, Cormorant, Dunnock, Egret, Feral Pigeon, Goldcrest, Goldfinch, Great Tit, Greenfinch, Grey Wagtail, Heron, Hooded Crow, House Martin, House Sparrow, Jackdaw, Jay, Kestrel, Kingfisher, Linnet, Long-tailed Tit, Magpie, Mallard duck, Mistle Thrush, Mute Swan, Pied Wagtail, Pheasant, Pochard Duck, Raven, Robin, Rook, Sedge Warbler, Siskin, Snipe, Song Thrush, Sparrowhawk, Starling, Stock Dove, Swallow, Swift, Tree Creeper, Wood Pigeon, Wren, Yellow Wagtail, Willow Warbler

Recording Biodiversity at The Forestry Foundation

The Forestry Foundation is currently undertaking research on the Biodiversity of the Manch Estate Habitats.

If you see any bird species while at Manch, please let us know.

Take a photo and record where you see the bird. Biodiversity recording sheet are available from the office or on our website.

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