

# ALL ABOUT BIRDS



**DID YOU KNOW** there are over 9,000 species of birds on our planet?  
Well, it should come as no surprise that the Golden State has some of the best birding spots in the U.S.  
— if not the world!

California's 840-mile coastline attracts more than just year-round vacationers  
— it's also a hotspot destination for migrating & wintering birds,  
as well as birding enthusiasts, naturalists, and scientists from all over the globe!

Whether you're a bird-watcher, bird-spotter,  
a bander, lister, tucker, or twitcher,  
an esteemed **ORNITHOLOGIST**, or if you just fancy birds  
—Cabrillo Beach Coastal Park  
is on the list of places every 'birder-lover' should visit!

The extremely diverse habitats found along our coastline  
draw thousands of breeding, migrating, foraging, and nesting birds  
to our sandy beaches, wetlands, mudflats, and rocky shores.

Depending on the species and the season,  
you are likely to observe a wide display of bird behaviors  
including —cormorants, gulls, and pelicans  
hovering, diving, and plunging down on schools of fish.  
Sandpipers & willets probing along the surf for buried sand crabs,  
or a long-legged heron wading in the mud in search of its next meal!

Birdwatching is a great way to stay connected to the natural world,  
so grab a pair of binoculars, your field journal, and a wide-brimmed hat  
—**LET'S BEGIN BIRDING!**

You have all the tools you need to begin your birding adventure at the touch of your keypad.  
Here's what you'll need to get started. It's super easy!  
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Browse, checkout and borrow these educational books highlighting  
the immense variety of bird groups —from flocks & flotillas to squadrons & skewers.

**LEARN ABOUT THESE COLORFUL CREATURES  
THAT INHABIT THE SURF, SAND, SEA & SKY!**

# **All About Birds Book List by Grade**

## ***Preschool & Kindergarten***

A Nest is Noisy/ An Egg is Quiet (Nature Book Series) *by Dianna Hutts Aston*

Fur, Feather, Fin – All of Us are Kin *by Diane Lang*

## ***First & Second***

Counting Birds: The Idea that Helped Save Our Feathered Friends *by Heidi E.Y. Stemple*

DKfindout! Birds *by DK Book Series*

## ***Third & Fourth***

Feathers: Not Just for Flying *by Melissa Stewart*

Guess what is Growing Inside this Egg *by Mia Posada*

## ***Fifth & Sixth***

Put on Your Owl Eyes: Open Your Senses & Discover Nature's Secrets – Mapping,

Traveling & Journaling Activities *by Devin Franklin*

The Atlas of Amazing Birds *by Matt Sewell*

## ***Seventh & Eighth***

The Art of Botanical & Bird Illustration *by Mindy Lighthipe*

Feathers: A Beautiful Look at a Bird's Most Unique Feature *by Stan Tekiela*

## ***Ninth & Up***

How to Keep a Naturalist's Notebook *by Susan Leigh Tomlinson*

The Wall of Birds: One Planet, 243 Families, 375 Million Years: An Artistic Journey

*by Jane Kim & Thayer Walker*

***"Birds sing after a storm;  
why shouldn't people feel as free to  
delight in whatever  
sunlight  
remains to them?"***

***— Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy***