




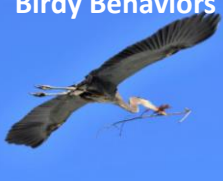


# Bird Behavior Scavenger Hunt

Behavior	✓	Beginner Birders	✓	Good-At-It Birders	✓	Birders with Mad Skills
 <b>Flying</b>		Flapping		3-4 Quick flaps and coast, repeat (undulating)		Hovering (wings flapping, staying in place)
		Soaring (wings not flapping)		Slow flapping		Aerial courting/acrobatics
		Two birds flying together		Quick flapping		Murmuration (flock swopping and twisting)
		A flock (group) of birds flying together		A wedge— flock of birds flying in a v-shape		Flying backwards
 <b>Foraging</b>		Pecking seeds on the ground or from a plant		Drilling for food		Stabbing food in the water
		Carrying insects in its beak		Eating seed without using feet to hold seed		Scavenging (eating something dead)
		Dabbling in water (nibbling surface of water)		Catching insects while flying		Sipping nectar
		Dipping (dunking head, neck and 1/2 of body)		Hunting by ambush (sitting still waiting for prey)		Caching (hiding) food
		Diving under water completely		Hunting by soaring in circles		Carrying food in talons (claws)
 <b>Moving About</b>		Hopping on the ground		Going up or down a tree trunk		Diving through the air
		Walking		Wading		Adult bird faking an injury
		Swimming		Hopping branch to branch		Hawking (flies out from a perch to catch bugs)
 <b>Grooming</b>		Taking a bath in water		Preening feathers with beak (nibbling at feathers)		Oiling feathers**
		Ruffling (shaking) feathers		Taking a dust bath		Anting ***
 <b>Sounds</b>		Singing		Alarm call (repeated warning call)		Mobbing* call (birds alarm calling together)
		Drumming/knocking on a tree		Baby birds begging for food		Mating call
 <b>Birdy Behaviors</b>		Collecting nesting material		Nest not in a tree		Weaving a nest
		Listening to hear insects moving in the ground		Scratching the ground with one foot at a time		Scratching the ground with 2 feet together
		Small bird chasing a bigger bird		Birds mobbing (harassing) a larger bird		Sleeping
		A raft—flock of birds floating on the water		A kettle—group of birds soaring in circles		Bird(s) mobbing a mammal

\*Mobbing - Birds gather around a predator, making lots of noise and sometimes flying or diving at the predator.

\*\*Oiling - with its beak, a bird takes oil from a gland at the base of the tail and rubs it onto its feathers for waterproofing.

\*\*\* Anting - a bird crushes ants with its beak and rubs them over its feathers for a deep cleaning.



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