



- A - Hawk: catches insect prey on the wing
- B - Seed-eater: cracks seeds from grass, shrubs and/or tall trees
- C - Nectar-feeder: drinks nectar from the flowers of shrubs and trees
- D - Insect-eater: looks for insects in shrubs and trees
- E - Meat-eater: hunts for prey like lizards, frogs and other birds throughout the garden
- F - Pouncer: pounces on its insect prey from a height
- G - Ground forager: hunts for its food (like invertebrates or seeds) on the ground in grass or mulch
- H - Sailer: flies into the air to catch prey
- I - Introduced: found around man-made structures
- J - Bird of Prey

A bird-friendly garden is one where there is lots of food to eat and places to hide. Different birds eat different things including seeds, flowers, insects and even other birds. When building your garden try and include three layers of plants (tall trees, shrubs and ground covers), and plant them densely to create thickets. This will ensure you have plenty of food and shelter. Providing water is also important, but it is best placed out of the reach of predators such as cats, and while nest boxes can give hollow-nesting birds a place to raise young, you need to put up different shaped boxes for different birds and make sure you maintain them so introduced birds don't move in and take over. For more information read the step-by-step bird-friendly gardening guidelines on the Birds in Backyards website.