Bird Watching Basics

Whether hiking through the woods or looking out your window, you can learn a lot by observing our feathered friends. Many birdwatchers record each unique species of bird they see and add it to their life list. Now is a great time to start, or add, to your bird watching life list. Here are some of the tools and tips you'll need to get started.

Equipment:

- Binoculars
- Field Guide (or birding app)
- Journal
- Curiosity

What to look and listen for:

- Feathering
- Size
- Beak structure
- Bird Calls
- Flight Patterns
- Nests

Other Things to be Mindful of:
Habitat
Weather
Migratory vs Resident
Times of Day
Fledgling Times
Feeding Habits
Healthy ways to attract birds to your yard