

ENDEMIC BIRDS OF THE WEST INDIES

Colouring Book

Western Spindalis *Spindalis zana*



FEATHERY FACTS

Colorful birds have stripes on their faces, so sometimes called Stripe-headed Tanagers. They live in forests, and they mostly eat berries. In different islands, they live in different places: pine forests in The Bahamas, brush in the Cayman Islands, and mountain forest in Cuba.

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Atlantic Ocean

FEATHERY FACTS

The Cuban Grassquit has a bright yellow. It can live in dry areas near the coast to find small seeds.

Cuban Grassquit *Tiaris canorus*



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Top Colouring Tips

You can colour in the pages with pens, paints and pencils. Here are some tips if you choose to use pencils or paints. Use the colour key as a guide to the colour of the birds. If you're using colouring pencils, gather as many colours together as you can, the more colours you have the better!

Colours you might need

Don't worry if you haven't got many of these colours, use the blending tips below, and just have fun colouring these amazing birds.

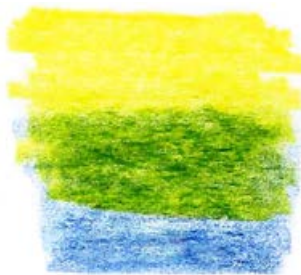


When you use a pencil to colour in, it's called **shading**. Make sure to use the flat side of the pencil and build up the colour slowly in layers.

If you have any, watercolour pencils are great for giving a really bold colour which is especially good for areas of black.

Brilliant blending

Blend two colours together by shading one colour on top of another to make the colour you need.



Bird plumage can merge from one colour into another. Use your shading skills to blend starting with one colour and blending to another colour.



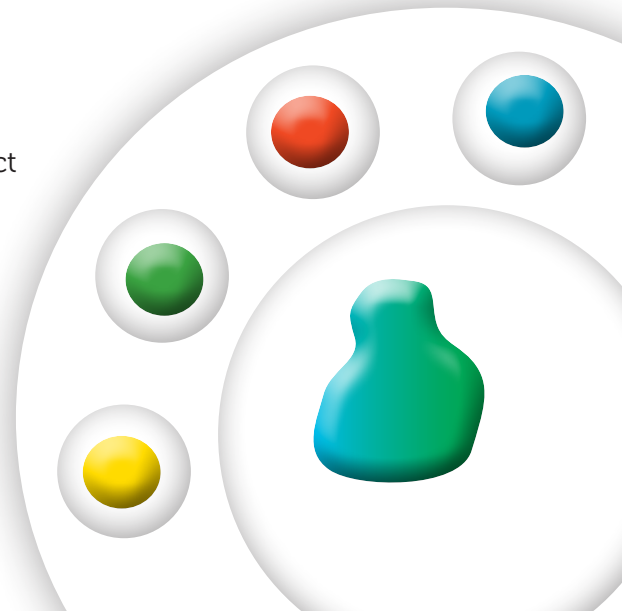
Bring your leaves to life by blending two colours of green starting with dark green near the leaf centre or leaf veins.



Colouring with paints

If you're using paints to do your colouring, remember to mix colours together to get the perfect colour for your picture. You don't need a pallet, just use a dinner plate or used plastic pots.

The plumage on this Ridgway's Hawk has a pale grey background that you paint first. When dry, red/brown feather details can be painted on top.



Colouring Key

use these pictures to help you with your colouring



1 Antillean Euphonia



2 Bee Hummingbird



3 Guadeloupe Woodpecker



4 Barbuda Warbler



5 Hispaniolan Woodpecker



6 Grenada Dove



7 Forest Thrush



8 Bahama Woodstar



9 Adelaide's Warbler



10 La Selle Thrush



11 Hispaniolan Parakeet



12 Bahama Yellowthroat



13 Antillean Siskin



14 Puerto Rican Emerald



15 Hispaniolan Parrot



16 Antillean Crested Hummingbird



17 Cuban Tody



18 Black-crowned Palm-Tanager



19 West Indian Whistling-Duck



20 Zapata Sparrow



21 Imperial Parrot



22 Bridled Quail-Dove



23 Golden Swallow



24 Scaly-naped Pigeon



25 Bananaquit



26 St. Vincent Parrot



27 Western Spindalis



28 Cuban Grassquit



29 Palmchat



30 Hispaniolan Lizard-Cuckoo



31 Elfyn Woods Warbler



32 Crested Quail-Dove



33 Jamaican Lizard-Cuckoo



34 White-breasted Thrasher



35 Cuban Pygmy-Owl



36 Cuban Trogon



37 Puerto Rican Woodpecker



38 Puerto Rican Parrot



39 Purple-throated Carib



40 Sad Flycatcher



41 Red-legged Thrush



42 Puerto Rican Bullfinch



43 Streamertail



44 White-chinned Thrush



45 Montserrat Oriole



46 Blue-headed Quail-Dove



47 Cuban Parrot



48 Yellow-billed Parrot



49 Hispaniolan Trogon



50 Ridgway's Hawk

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