

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

Sphyrapicus varius



About this Bird

The Yellow-bellied Sapsucker is a woodpecker that climbs up tree trunks and branches. It has a red crown, black-and-white face and back, white wing stripe and yellow belly. The male has a red throat, the female white. It uses its bill to drill rows of small holes in trees. It returns to these holes to drink or 'suck' the oozing sap and eat the insects that are attracted to this sweet, sticky liquid. When migrating to the Caribbean, Mexico and Central America for winter the birds travel long distances at night.

Bird Size 22 cm, 8.5 in.



Plant -
Air Plant

Where this Bird Can Be Found

