

CREATE YOUR OWN BIRDSONG

Birds use lots of different songs and calls to talk to each other. They use their songs to defend their nests or territories and attract mates. Songbirds include warblers, thrushes, and finches. Songbirds regularly practice their song. Some sing together others sing on their own. Other types of birds, like owls, don't really have practise their calls. They just tend to know them!



We want you to go outside, with a trusted adult, in your garden, or use the bird calls on the [Endemic Bird of the Day](#) page to **listen** to some bird songs or calls. If you are listening outside, try and focus on just one bird at a time.

- Do you know what type of bird is making this sound?
- Is it a high or low sound?
- Is it quick or slow?
- Can you try and copy it? You can sing, whistle, hum or click.

Now we want you to create your own bird song using the different types of bird songs that you have heard.

You can write down words to describe the sounds, like we do for each Endemic Bird of the Day, on the page below and then record yourself singing. Recording yourself helps you to identify parts of the song that may need some more work or to be removed. Remember even songbirds need to practice!

If you've got a flute or drums or any other musical instrument at home you can use those to perform your song to your household!



Title of your song: _____

A large area of blank musical staves for writing a song. The page contains 18 horizontal staves, each consisting of five lines. The staves are arranged in a vertical column and are completely empty, providing space for a student to write their own musical notation.