

My Campus and Other Animals

Supporting you to access and engage with the nature on your doorstep



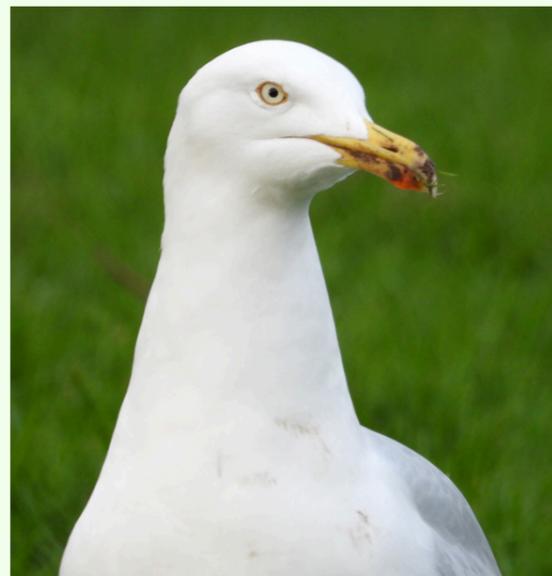
Our Campus Birds

In the UK there are records of around 600 different bird species. At the University of Kent, We have recorded 56 bird species on campus. Habitats like our ancient woodland and landscape management techniques like coppicing for biodiversity allow us to provide a variety of different habitats suitable to this range of species. We collect data on the bird species that use our campus through surveys like walking transects and this helps us to inform land management decisions. At the University of Kent we use citizen science tools like iNaturalist to help us record the species that use our university. If you would like to get involved with the iNaturalist project you can use the link on our website.



European Robins

Robins are one of the most loved birds in Britain, and the most recorded species on campus! In the UK, Robins are known for their friendliness but between themselves they are very territorial!



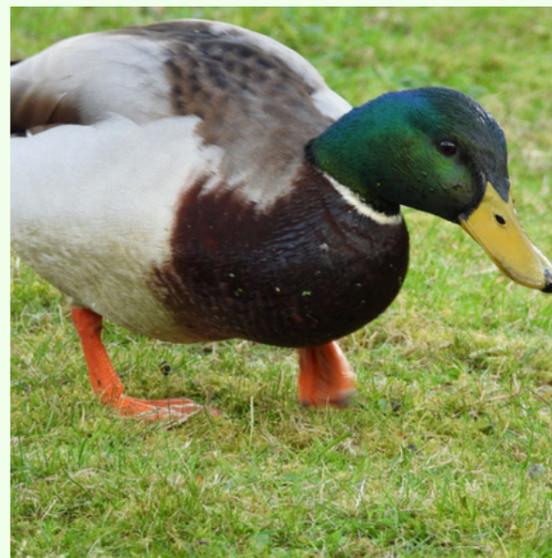
Herring Gulls

Herring Gulls are one of 6 gulls that breed in the UK and most often pictured as a 'seagull'. On campus they can often be seen 'worm charming' - stomping their feet to trick the worms to the surface



European Goldfinches

It is estimated that there are around 220,000 breeding pairs of Goldfinches in the UK. They are very sociable birds and the collective term for a group of Goldfinches is a 'charm'!



Mallard Ducks

Mallard ducks are the most common and widespread duck species in the UK, seen in most ponds and lakes. But did you know that only the females quack? The males make other calls



Wood Pigeons

Wood Pigeons are the largest species of pigeon in the UK. There could be up to 5 million pairs of Wood Pigeons in the UK. They are known to be bad nest builders, often finding an abandoned one to use instead



Blackbirds

Blackbirds are one of the most common birds in the UK. Only the males are black (females and juveniles are brown). The Blackbird's calls are one of the most associated with the 'dawn chorus'