

Looking for birds

When we go looking for birds it's a good idea to look up, look down and look straight ahead, because that's where birds like to live. And different birds live in different areas.

In the sky for instance, you could possibly see a White-bellied Sea Eagle, and in the tops of the trees – particularly if they're in blossom – you're likely to get Rainbow Lorikeets feeding on the nectar.

A little further down is where honeyeaters tend to feed, like Blue-faced Honeyeaters, Noisy Miners and even Figbirds.

And then down in the long grass, if you listen and look, you're likely to see cisticolas and finches, because the finches like grass seeds, and even fairy wrens.

Then if you look at the shorter grass where it's usually been mown, birds who like to feed there are Magpie Larks and the Masked Lapwings, because they like to listen and look for grubs and worms and little beetles. And of course, if you're lucky you may see some Wood Ducks.

When you're looking for birds think of looking up, looking down, listening and looking straight ahead.