

Early Season Breeding Bird Survey

Date: Monday 5 May 2025

Times: 6.30am to 8.00am BST

Location: Wychwood Wild Gardens, Shipton-under-Wychwood

Surveyor: Rebecca Ward

Temperature: 4°C

Precipitation: Dry, no rain throughout

Wind: Calm to light breeze

Visibility: Good

Clover cover: Moderate (3-5 oktas)

There were **20 UK bird species** recorded in the Wychwood Wild Gardens; 2025 conservation status sourced from the [Birds of Conservation Concern 5](#) (BOCC5).

Red List (1)

Mistle Thrush

Amber List (7)

Mallard

Moorhen

Rook

Song Thrush

Stock Dove

Woodpigeon

Wren

Green List (12)

Blackbird

Blackcap

Blue Tit

Chaffinch

Chiffchaff
Goldcrest
Goldfinch
Great Spotted Woodpecker
Great Tit
Jackdaw
Robin
Treecreeper

Observations: Bird activity was notably higher in the woodland on both sides of the canal, with frequent observations of species such as Goldcrest and Treecreeper. This area, compared to the woodland around the ponds, has greater vegetation density and lower levels of disturbance, which creates a more suitable habitat for woodland birds.