



Ducks Unlimited Canada presents...

MORE SURPRISING FACTS

about the birds outside your window

Birds like these rely on Canada's natural habitat to breed and thrive. Conserving wetlands, grasslands and boreal habitat is essential for their future.

TA-WEET-IE

The members of an **AMERICAN GOLDFINCH** pair make matching flight calls, which are distinct from other goldfinch pairs.



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WHO YOU CALLING SHORT?!?

Shuffle or fly—those are the only options for **RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRDS**. Their legs are so short, they are unable to walk or hop.



HI THERE

Hen mallards make the perfect "quack" sound that most people associate with the sound of ducks. Drake **MALLARDS** don't quack—they make a rasping sound instead.

Male **WESTERN MEADOWLARKS** typically have two mates at the same time. Male eastern meadowlarks sometimes have three.

OH LADIES!



YOU QUACK ME UP



The drumming from **DOWNY WOODPECKERS**—and other woodpeckers—has little to do with feeding. Instead, it's their version of a bird song.

CANADA JAYS, formerly known as gray jays, paste food like berries or mushrooms to branches (snacks for later) using their sticky spit.

Not to be outdone, male **RED-WINGED BLACKBIRDS** can have up to 15 mates at one time.

♪ BAM BIDDY BAM ♪

NOM NOM NOM

NUTHIN' TO SEE HERE



Backyard burglars: **RED-BREASTED NUTHATCHES** are notorious for stealing nest material from other birds.