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Animal Fact Sheet

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European Goldfinch

Carduelis carduelis

The European Goldfinch is a small passerine bird renowned for its vivid plumage, featuring a bright red face, black and white head, and a striking yellow wing bar. Native to Europe, North Africa, and…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Fringillidae
Habitat: Open woodland, orchards, gardens, and farmland
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-5 years
Weight: 14-19 grams
Scientific name: Carduelis carduelis

Did you know?

- Unlike many songbirds, European Goldfinches prefer seeds from thistles and teasels, which many other birds avoid due to the plants' spiky defenses.
- European Goldfinches are famous for their acrobatic feeding behavior, often hanging upside down to reach seeds. They have been kept as cage birds for…

What I learned

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