

Animal Fact Sheet

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Great Spotted Woodpecker

Dendrocopos major

The Great Spotted Woodpecker is a medium-sized woodpecker native to Europe and parts of Asia, easily recognized by its striking black-and-white plumage and vivid red undertail. Males also sport a dis...

Quick facts

Classification: Bird

Family: Picidae

Habitat: Temperate and boreal forests, woodlands, parks, and gardens

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 5-11 years

Weight: 70-98 g

Scientific name: *Dendrocopos major*

Did you know?

- The Great Spotted Woodpecker can drum up to 10-16 times per second, producing a sound that can be heard over long distances.
- Great Spotted Woodpeckers have an incredibly strong beak and a shock-absorbing skull that allows them to peck on wood at high speeds without injury. ...

What I learned
