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Animal Fact Sheet

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Red-winged Blackbird

Agelaius phoeniceus

The Red-winged Blackbird is a medium-sized songbird notable for the male's striking black plumage accented by vivid red and yellow shoulder patches, or epaulets. Females are brown and heavily streake…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Icteridae
Habitat: Wetlands, marshes, and open fields
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-15 years
Weight: 32-77 grams
Scientific name: Agelaius phoeniceus

Did you know?

- A single male Red-winged Blackbird can have up to 15 female mates within his territory during a single breeding season.
- Male Red-winged Blackbirds fiercely defend their territory, often chasing away much larger animals. These birds are among the most abundant and studi…

What I learned

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