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Mourning Dove

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Introduction

Did you know that Mourning Doves are called the Mourning Dove because of their soft, calm cooing noise? They are also part of the Pigeon family and build their nests on the ground, on brush, or in a tree. The purpose of this essay is to inform you about the Mourning Dove.

Habitat and Food

The Mourning Dove lives in agriculture areas, open woods, deserts, forest edges, and cities and suburbs. In the summer, this bird goes to Southern Canada, Central America, and the Caribbean. The bird I am telling you about eats seeds, insects, nuts, and fruit.



Description

This amazing bird is brown and tan but, their tail has white around the edges. The male and the female are the same color. The Mourning Dove is between 9-13 in. and is a medium sized bird. It has a small head and a long pointed tail.

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Young

The mother lays two white eggs that are 1.1-1.2 in. long. When the chicks hatch out of their egg, they are helpless, cream-colored, and very soft babies. They usually leave their nest at the age of 15 days. The mother stays with the baby all the time. She opens her mouth and feeds the baby crop milk. Before the baby is born she sits on the eggs. The dad leaves the nest at midmorning and doesn't come back till late afternoon. He also gives sticks to the mom and she weaves it into a nest.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the Mourning Dove is a calm bird! The last little detail I am going to tell you about the Mourning Dove is that it flies swiftly and its wings make a whistling sound. I hope you have learned a lot about how it looks, lives, what it eats, and its young!