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Black-capped Chickadee

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Introduction

Did you know that the Black-capped Chickadee got its name because it looks like there is a black cap on its head!? The Black-capped Chickadee is a morning bird and you will hear them very early morning. They are very nice birds. The Black-capped Chickadee is part of the, Titmice and Chickadees (Paridae) family.

Young

They can have 2-10 white eggs with red brown markings. Hatching takes 11-13 days. Parents teach the little ones to fly. The mother is the one who sits on the eggs.



<http://www.bcadventure.com/adventure/wilderness/birds/chickadee.jpg>

Habitat and Food

The Black-capped Chickadee's home is lined with vegetation, moss, feathers, hair, and insect cocoons. The Black-capped Chickadee lives near lakes. The Black-capped Chickadee is a non-migratory bird. Some foods they eat are, sunflower seeds, insects/insect eggs, conifer seeds, and other fruits.

Description

Its colors are tan, white, black, gray, and olive. The Black-capped Chickadee is small in size it is, length: 14cm., size: small 5-9 in. The baby must be very small if the adult fits in the palm of your hand. They are very soft and are really light birds.

Conclusion

In conclusion the Black-capped Chickadee is a favorite bird of many because they are here all year around. In summary I think the Black-capped Chickadee is a great bird because its nice to look at and makes a pretty sound in the morning. Two similar species are, Carolina Chickadee, and Boreal Chickadee. I hope you have learned a lot about the Black-capped Chickadee!