

URBAN WILDLIFE CHRONICLES EGUIDE



BREWER BLACKBIRD

HOW TO SPOT ME?

- Look in parking lots, sidewalks, grassy medians, city parks, and outdoor cafés—I'm one of the most urban-adapted birds you'll meet.
- I'm sleek and slender, with a long tail and piercing stare.
- In the right light, my feathers shimmer with hints of purple, blue, or green. I strut, not hop, and I'm usually part of a talkative little group.

DID YOU KNOW?

Brewer's Blackbirds are excellent scavengers and seed spreaders, thriving in human-altered spaces across western North America. They're named after naturalist Thomas Mayo Brewer and are known for their wide variety of songs, whistles, and mechanical-like sounds.

HOW TO PROTECT ME?

- Keep urban green spaces clean and free of litter that can harm birds.
- Offer native plantings with seeds and berries in your yard or balcony.
- Avoid using pesticides—these birds forage on the ground where chemicals can collect.

REFLECTION PROMPT

Where in your life have you made the best of what others overlook—and what beauty lives in your resilience?



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