



Bird-Friendly Window Decals

Do you part to create a bird-friendly neighborhood by making your own window decals to prevent bird collisions.

Materials

- white liquid school glue
- dish soap
- small cup or disposable bowl
- smooth plastic sheet
- paintbrushes
- permanent markers
- bird shapes

Birds in flight can collide with our home's windows when they reflect greenery or the sky. Migratory birds are especially susceptible, but we can help them by putting decals on our windows.



Step 1: Print out the designs on the next pages to use as stencils for tracing your birds, or design some of your own!

Step 2: In your small cup or bowl, mix the glue and the dish soap, approximately 1 drop of soap to 1 tablespoon of glue. Stir well.

Step 3: Place your stencils or outlines underneath your plastic sheet. Using a gallon plastic bag or similar is easiest as you can place your printed sheet inside.

Step 4: Using a paint brush, paint a thick layer of the glue onto the bird outline, covering the image completely. It is okay if the glue is a little streaky, just make sure to add more layers of glue, allowing time for it to dry in between. Allow the glue to dry fully for about two hours or longer, until the glue is opaque.

Step 5: Outline the bird with a black marker, and then color in any way that you like!

Step 6: Wait for the marker ink to dry and then carefully peel off your bird. Stick them to any window in your home, about 4 inches apart so they will be most effective. Now you have a colorful window decoration and you are doing your part to help protect migratory birds from window collisions!



Bird Outlines



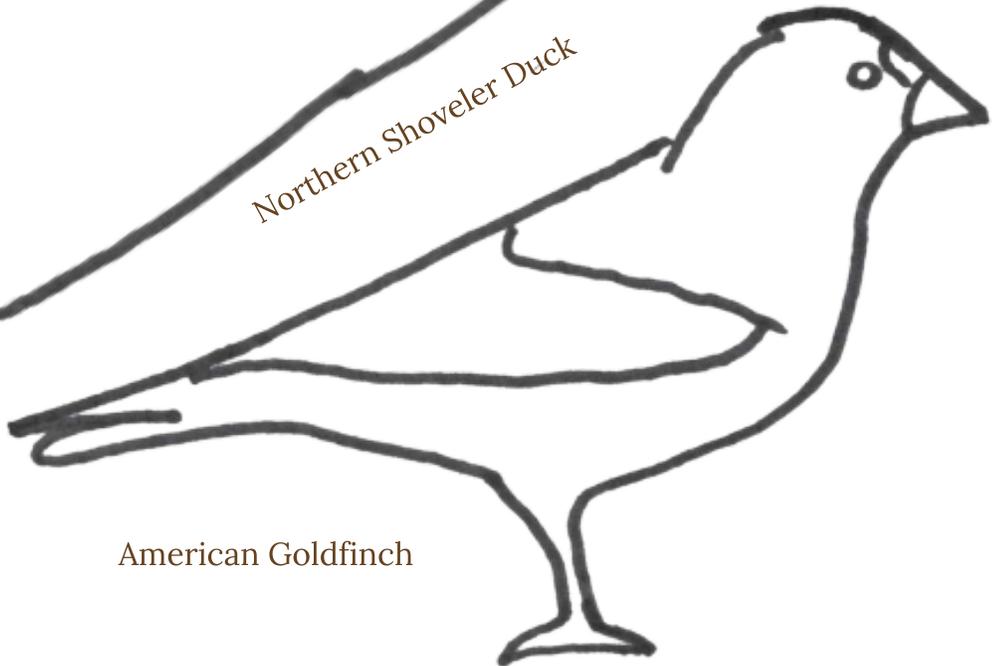
Canada Goose



Anna's Hummingbird



Northern Shoveler Duck



American Goldfinch

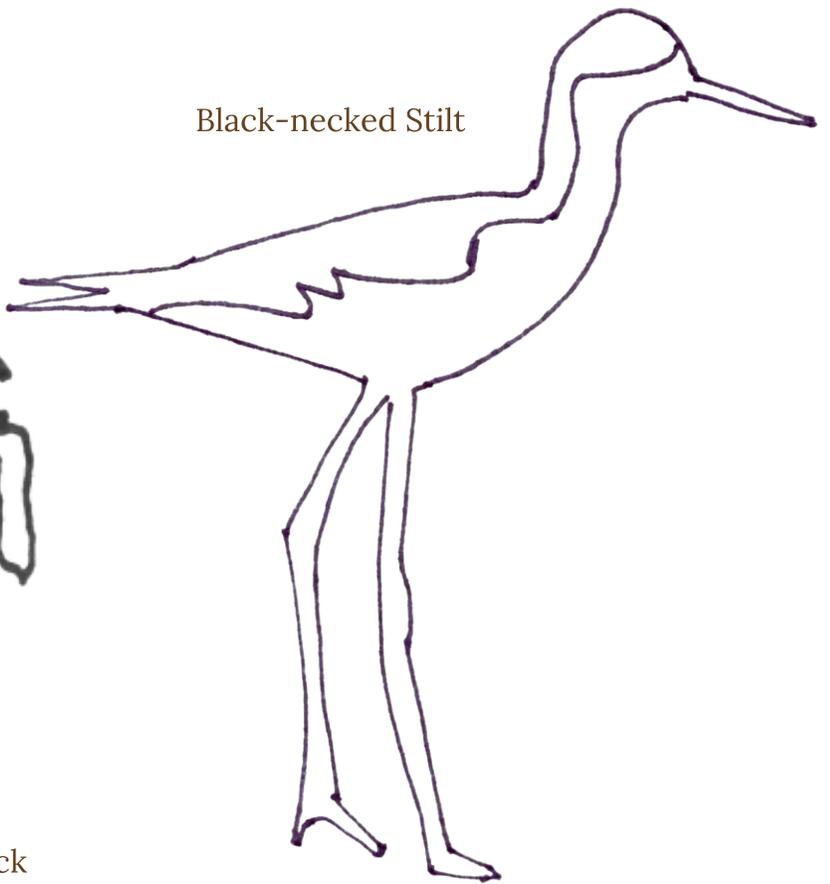
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Northern Harrier



Green-winged Teal Duck



Black-necked Stilt