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## Jackdaw Corvus monedula

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### Species information

**i** **Common name**  
Jackdaw

**Latin name**  
Corvus monedula

**Category**  
Birds  
Crows and shrikes

**Statistics**  
Length: 33-34cm  
Wingspan: 70cm Weight:  
220g Average Lifespan: 5  
years

**Conservation status**  
Common.

### About

Our smallest crow, the Jackdaw is a bird of woodland, parkland, coasts and urban areas. The Jackdaw nests in holes in trees, and on cliffs and buildings: sometimes it will even make a nest in a chimney! It eats invertebrates, fruit, seeds and carrion, and occasionally takes eggs and nestlings. A sociable bird, the Jackdaw can be seen in flocks, often performing aerial acrobatics or repeating its short, loud 'kya' call. The common name of the Jackdaw probably comes from two separate words: 'Jack' meaning rogue (it is a well-known thief) and 'daw' which is an imitation of its call.

### How to identify

The Jackdaw has a short, chunky bill, a grey 'shawl' around the back of the head, a black cap and a white eye.

### Where to find it

Widespread.

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## When to find it



## How can people help

To help populations of all our birds, The Wildlife Trusts are working towards a 'Living Landscape': a network of habitats and wildlife corridors across town and country, which are good for both wildlife and people. You can support this greener vision for the future by joining your local Wildlife Trust.

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