

# Introduction to Bird Song - Syllabus

A 6-week course, meeting one evening per week, for 90 minutes. 6:00 to 7:30 PM. No prerequisites.

Location: UW-Milwaukee Saukville Field Station, Saukville, WI.

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Please bring a laptop or tablet for Week 1.

Week one	Resources for learning bird song; Birds of Deciduous Forest	May 2
Week two	Birds of Mixed Forest; Birds of Wetlands	May 9
Week three	Birds of Grasslands; where to hear "birds by habitat" in WI	May 16
Week four	How bird song functions ecologically & research on bird song	May 23
Week five	Some examples of research; aesthetics of birdsong	May 30
Week six	Testing what we've learned; further refinements	June 6

Suggested readings:

Howell, S.N.G. and B. Sullivan. 2018. Peterson Guide to Bird Identification - In 12 Steps.

Kroodsma, D. 2009. Birdsong by the Seasons.