

COMMON NATIVE BIRDS OF THE LRGV

Nature Challenge



□ 1. GREAT KISKADEE

Hi, I'm a Great Kiskadee! You may see me sitting out in the open on exposed branches near the tops of trees, often above water, where I love to catch insects like Dragonflies! I have a bold attitude and love to call my name out loudly.

2. INCA DOVE □

I'm an Inca Dove, and while I may scare easily, I am not afraid to approach an intruder with a zig-zag walk, to protect my group when I need to (males.) You may spot me walking along the ground, looking for seeds hidden under loose vegetation. My feather pattern can't be mistaken, resembling a mackerel sky!



□ 3. PLAIN CHACHALACA

In the morning, hear us loudly chorusing from the treetops and bushes, with our families of 3-5. Family is important to us Chachalaca, we do our best to stay together and around the Spring season, like to engage in rituals re-affirming our pair bond.



4. GREEN JAY □

I am an agile and active forager, and travel with my family to inspect different trees or shrubs for insects. One of my favorite techniques is to start from the trunk of the tree, moving leaf litter with my bill to expose critters, and work my way up to the crown.



□ 5. CLAY-COLORED THRUSH

You might miss me foraging on the ground, since the color of my feathers allow me to camouflage! I love to sing a low-pitched song of steady tempo, sometimes incorporating slurred musical phrases that repeat irregularly.



Can you find all 5?