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Sparrowhawks have rounded wings and long tails to weave between trees and buildings

## Sparrowhawk

*(Accipiter nisus)*

- Adult male sparrowhawks have a slate grey back, pale underpart and orange markings.
- Sparrowhawks like to live in woodlands, parks and even gardens.
- Sparrowhawks hunt where food is easy to find, and find gardens a good source of a ready meal.
- Sparrowhawks mainly eat other birds - small birds make up to 98% of their diet. Even chicks need up to 10 small birds a day!
- Sparrowhawks will eat birds up to the size of a woodpigeon.



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