



Pukaskwa  
National Park



# Protecting Songbirds in Style

## The Canada Warbler

The Canada warbler is a rare songbird that is found only in certain parts of Ontario, including the traditional territory of Biigtigong Nishnaabeg.

[Click here](#) to listen to it sing!

What does the Canada warbler look like?

- Bright yellow underside and face
- Grey head, back, and tail
- Grey or black spots on their chest that looks like a necklace
- White rings around its eyes
- Anything else you notice: \_\_\_\_\_

Fun facts:

- Lives up to 8 years
- From tip of the bill to tip of the tail, 12-15 centimetres long

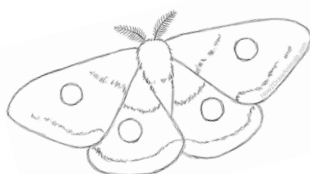
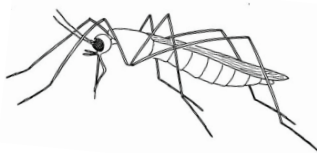
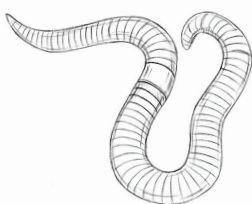


- Weighs 9-13 grams, about the same weight as 2 nickels



What does the Canada warbler eat?

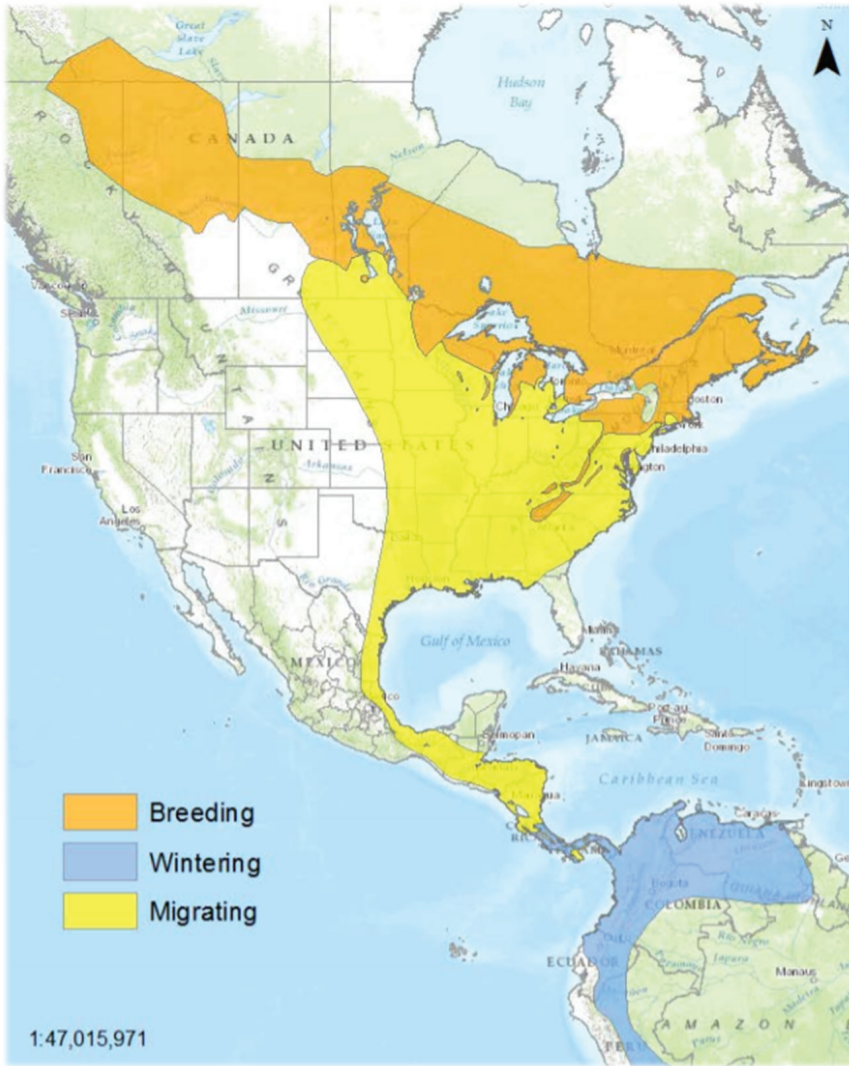
- Mosquitos
- Butterflies
- Moths
- Spiders
- Snails
- Worms



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# Where does the Canada Warbler live?



The Canada warbler lives in Canada in the warmer months of spring and summer

During the colder parts of the year they fly South to countries like Colombia and Peru

## Canada Warbler nests:



- Not in trees, but on the ground
- Made of grass, leaves, plants, bark, moss, and animal hair
- Usually near bushes so that they are hidden
- Canada warblers lay 2-6 eggs that take 2 weeks to hatch



# The Canada Warbler: A Species at Risk

- A “species” is a living thing like an insect, animal or bird.
- “At risk” means that there are certain things that threaten its survival.
- The Canada warbler is a species at risk, and because of that, there aren’t as many warblers as there should be. Eventually, if things don’t change, there could be no Canada warblers left.

## Why is the Canada Warbler a species at risk?

### Habitat Loss

#### Deforestation

Cutting down of forests or trees.

Without forests, there will be no place for the Canada warblers to live, no food for them to eat, and nowhere for them to build their nests.



#### White-tailed Deer

These deer eat the plants where Canada warblers build their nests, which makes it difficult for them to lay eggs.

### Windows

Canada warblers will often fly into windows because they can’t see them, or because they are attracted to the light inside. This is a threat to all birds - about 25 million birds are injured each year in Canada from flying into buildings and houses. Windows are an even bigger threat to the Canada warbler, because they are nearly twenty times more likely to fly into a window than other birds!

#### What YOU can do to help:

- Before it gets dark, close your curtains or blinds if you have them.
- Add visual markers to your windows. This could be hanging decorations, window stickers, or anything else you can think of! Visual markers on the outside of the windows is best, but adding them on the inside of the window is still helpful!

