

## The Aviary Challenge!

Turn your next Aviary visit into a family learning adventure. Print out this guide and set out early for the Zoo. When you arrive, follow these tips (gathered from the Aviary keepers) to hone your bird-finding and birdwatching skills.

## See how many birds you can spot!

- · Be quiet and patient.
- Listen for, then follow, the sounds of songs or rustling branches to find birds.
- · Look for movement in the plants or on the ground.
- Arrive early, the birds are most active in the morning. (The Aviary opens at 9:30 a.m. daily.)
- Look down in the late afternoon, when birds spend more time on the ground.
- Use the key below to find out where the birds tend to stay in the Aviary.



## See a bird not on the guide?

Occassionally the keepers will put native birds in the Aviary. These natives come from the N.C. Zoo's Wildlife Rehab Center and for various reasons cannot be realeased back in the wild. They belong to the family of birds called *passerines* (also know as *perching birds* or *songbirds*). Ask any uniformed Zoo Staff in the Aviary for help identifying these birds.

The birds are shown in relative size to each other.

