

# Birds of Greater Springfield

In Greater Springfield  
there are a number of  
locations and short  
walks where you  
can be guaranteed  
of seeing a  
variety of birds.



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## Locations around Greater Springfield.

- 1 White Rock Spring Mountain Conservation Estate, Wanderer Crescent, Springfield Lakes**  
There are 3 distinct dirt tracks that meander through woodland forest. The trails can be done as two circuit walks or one 1.4km circuit starting at the Boronia Trail and joining the Opossum Creek Trail. Spotted Gum trail is a 600metre circuit adjoining the intersection of the Boronia Trail and doubling back along the footpath. BYO Water.
- 2 Regatta & Discovery Lake**  
**80 Springfield Lakes Boulevard, Springfield Lakes.**  
The concrete path circumnavigates both lakes, with a few short inclines. You may choose to walk both lakes or just one.  

- 3 Spring Lake Parklands**  
**Burlington Terrace, Springfield Lakes**  
A delightful flat circuit walk with several opportunities for viewing a variety of water birds.  

- 4 Creekside Parkland**  
**Creekside Drive, Spring Lakes.**  
A short return walk follows concrete pathway beside Opossum Creek.  

- 5 Robelle Domain**  
**155 Southern Cross Circuit, Springfield Central.**  
You can select various trails that meander along Mountain Creek. The tree top walk will give you a close up view of birds.  

- 6 Opossum Creek Parklands**  
**58 Scoparia Drive, Brookwater**  
The Louise Clew walk covers 2.7 km concrete pathway that runs parallel to Opossum Creek, well shaded with beautiful rainforest type scenery. The walk continues under the bridge by following the pathway alongside Fitzpatrick Circuit to Britain's Reserve.  


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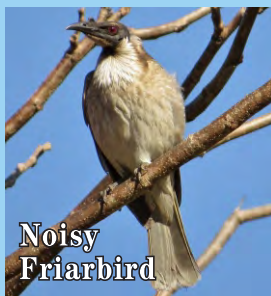
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## White Rock Spring Mountain Conservation Estate

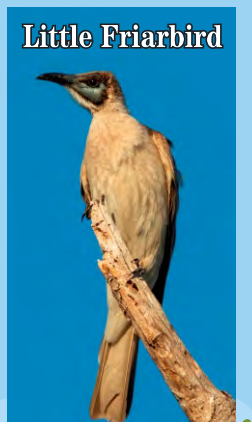
There are three distinct dirt tracks that meander through woodland forest. Grey Fantails, Rainbow Bee-eater and Kookaburras are usually sighted. Occasionally you might see a Tawny Frogmouth or Pale-headed Rosella camouflaged in the trees. You will hear the Pied Currawong or Noisy Friarbirds and Sulphur-crested Cockatoos calling. Sometimes Yellow-tailed Black-cockatoos can be seen in old trees adjacent to Joe Guthrie Park. Nesting boxes have been installed for the White-throated Treecreeper, Pardalotes and nocturnal birds such as Australian Owlet-nightjars and Southern Boobooks.



**Yellow-tailed  
Black-  
cockatoo**



**Noisy  
Friarbird**



**Little Friarbird**



**Southern  
Boobook**



**Laughing  
Kookaburra**



**Tawny Frogmouth**



**Pied  
Currawong**



**Pale-headed Rosella**



**Rainbow Bee-eater**

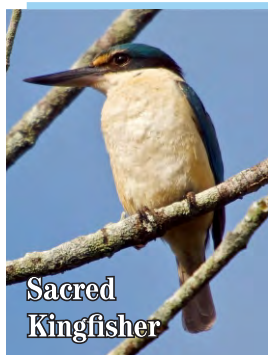


**Grey Fantail**

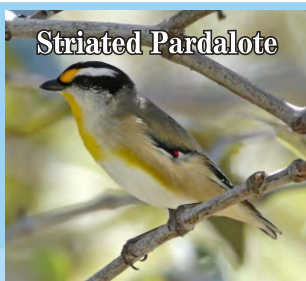


## 2 Regatta & Discovery Lake

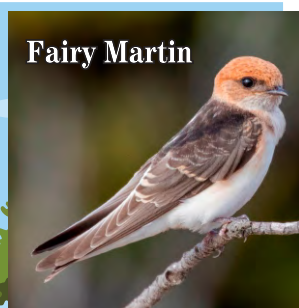
Sacred Kingfishers can be found early morning or dusk sitting on dead tree branches along Wirraway Reserve which runs along Regatta Lake. Eurasian Coots, Purple-Swamp and Dusky More Hens or Australasian Grebes can be observed from the viewing decks. The tall reeds provide camouflage for the Reed Warblers. Several species of cormorants and Australian Darter are often seen drying out their wings on submerged tree branches. The Fairy Martins like to nest under bridges. The fig trees alongside Springfield Lakes Avenue provide fruit for Olive-backed Orioles and Figbirds. Masked Lapwings can be seen searching for insects in the grassed areas, while Lorrikeets, Blue-faced and Brown Honeyeaters can be found feeding on flowering trees. Currawongs, Crested Pigeons and Black-faced Cuckoo-shrikes can be seen amongst the tops of trees. Striated Pardalotes, Silver-eyes, Superb Fairy-wrens and Double-barred Finches can be found amongst the dense shrubs in the rain garden.



**Sacred Kingfisher**



**Striated Pardalote**



**Fairy Martin**



**Figbird**



**Reed Warbler**



**Egret**



**Australasian Grebe**



**Dusky Moorhen**



**Eurasian Coot**



**Purple Swampphen**

### 3 Spring Lake Parklands

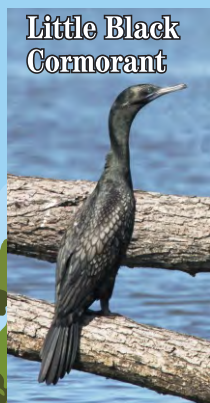
There will be several opportunities for viewing Hardhead, Pacific Black, Australian Wood Ducks and occasionally Cotton Pygmy-geese. Several species of Cormorants and Australian Darter can be observed on the lake. The Comb-crested Jacana can sometimes be seen walking on top of the lily pads. Wading birds such as White-faced Heron, Egrets and Spoonbills are sometimes found along the banks of the lake. Magpies, Magpie-larks, Willy Wagtails and Grey or Pied Butcherbirds are often sighted.



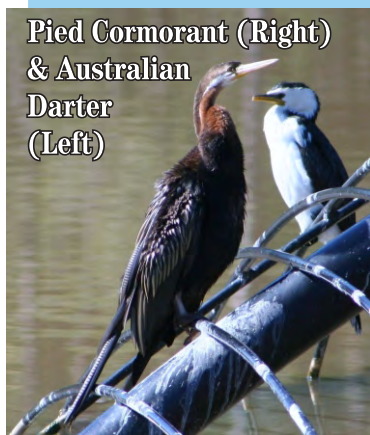
**Crested Pigeon**



**Magpie-lark**



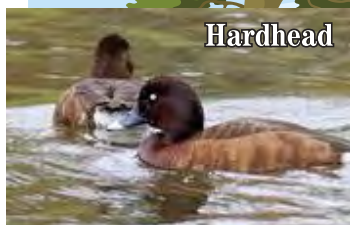
**Little Black Cormorant**



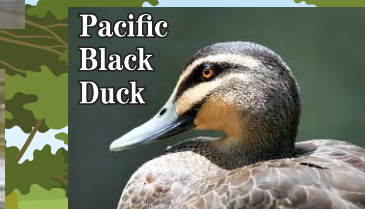
**Pied Cormorant (Right)  
& Australian Darter (Left)**



**Comb-crested Jacana**



**Hardhead**



**Pacific Black Duck**



**Royal Spoonbill**



**White-faced Heron**

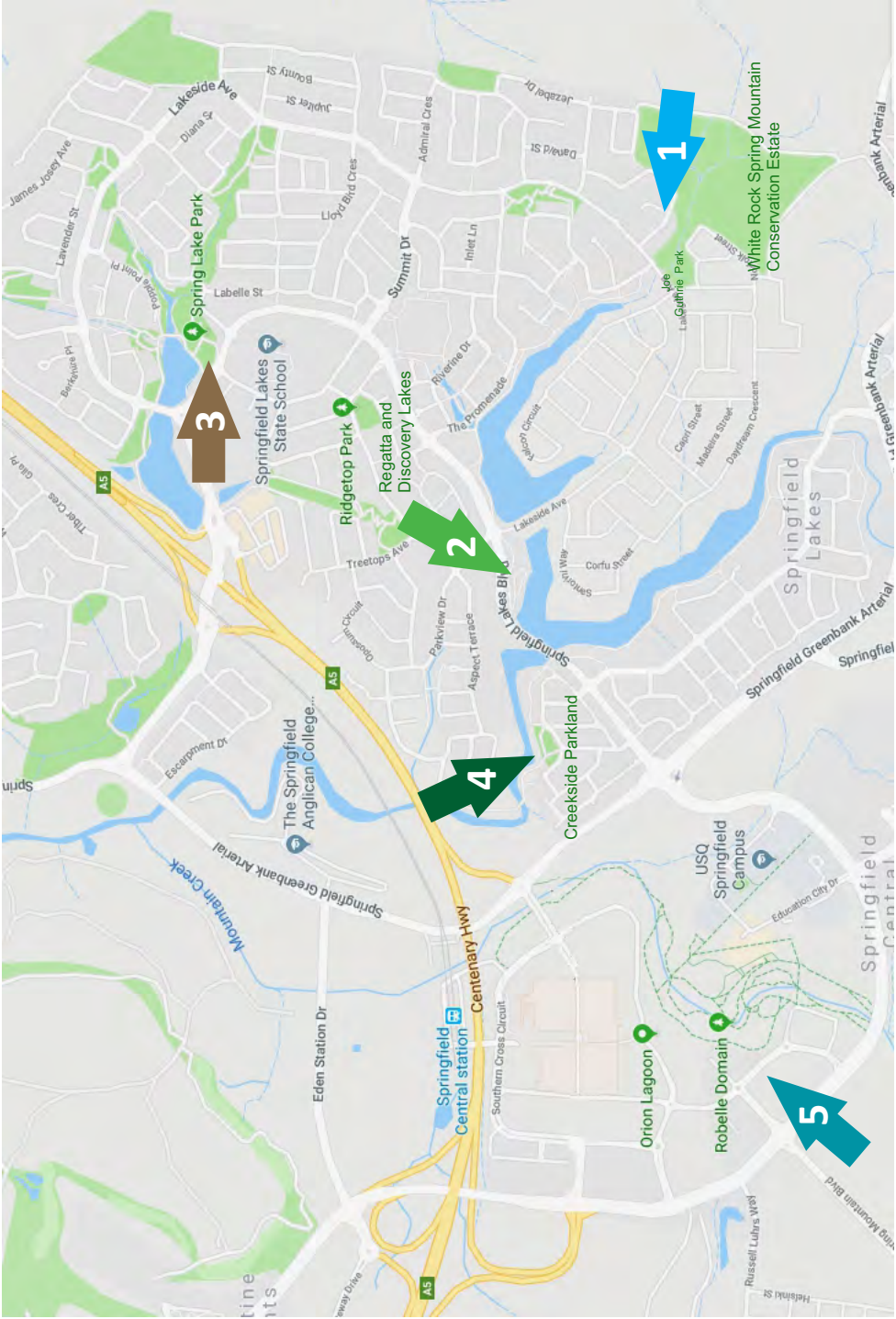


**Cotton Pygmy-geese**



**Australian Wood Duck**







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## Creekside Parkland

Beside Opossum Creek, the low level scrub is a haven for a variety of small birds such as Double-barred, and Red-browed Finches. Willy Wagtails hop amongst the small shrubs. Chestnut-breasted Mannikins can be found sitting on the grass stems. Several varieties of Fairy-wrens such as Variegated, Red-backed and Superb, can be found amongst the dense thickets. Scarlet Myzomela, Yellow-faced and Brown Honeyeaters prefer the flowering Bottle Brush or Grevillea trees. Lookout for Cockatoos and Corellas that inhabit tree hollows in the dead tree at the far end of the track. Lorrikeets and King-parrots have also been observed. Early mornings or late afternoons are the best time.

**Red-browed Finch**



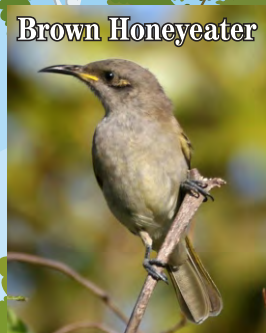
**Chestnut-breasted Mannikin**



**Scarlet Myzomela**



**Brown Honeyeater**



**Red-backed Fairy-wren**



**Double-barred Finch**



**Variegated Fairy-wren**



**Sulphur-crested Cockatoo**



**Suberb Fairy-wren**



**Corella**





## 5 Robelle Domain

Along the trails that meander through Mountain Creek you can see Eastern Spinebill and Honeyeaters amongst the Bottle Brush or Grevilleas. The tree top walk will give you a close up view of Galahs and Sulphur-crested Cockatoos. Scaly-breasted or Rainbow Lorikeets are usually found amongst the tree hollows. The Brush-turkeys can be seen building a bark mound or you may be lucky to see Bush Stone-curlews amongst the low shrubs. Masked Lapwings can be located in open parkland along with Magpie-larks and Magpies. Occasionally a White-faced Heron or Wood Ducks will feed in the pond.

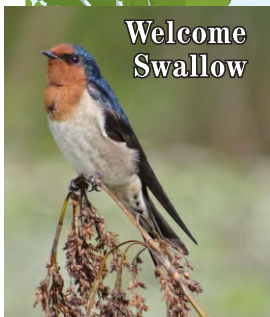
**Pied Butcherbird**



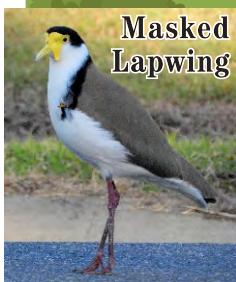
**Magpie**



**Welcome Swallow**



**Masked Lapwing**



**Scaly-Breasted Lorikeet**



**Blue-faced Honey-eater**



**Brush-turkey**



**White-throated Honeyeater**



**King-parrot**



**Musk Lorikeet**



**Bush Stone-curlew**

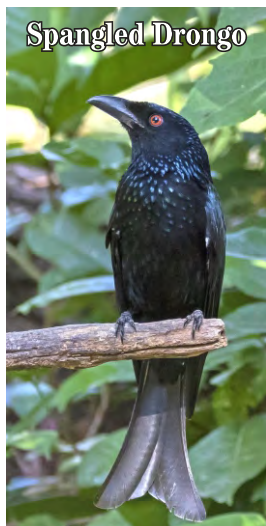


**Galah**



## 6 Opossum Creek Parklands

You will hear Whipbirds, Roufous and Golden Whistlers, and see a variety of Fairy-wrens in the Historic Woogaroo Scrub vine thicket. The sunny low lying areas are popular for little birds like, Eastern Yellow Robin, Silvereye, Spotted or Striated Pardalotes, Double-barred and Red-browed Finches. A variety of Honeyeaters are seen when the Grevilleas are in flower. Larger birds such as Spotted Turtle-doves and Spangled Drongos, can be seen in the tree tops. The walk continues under the bridge by following the pathway alongside Fitzpatrick Circuit to Brittain's Reserve. Occasionally you may see Australian Wood Ducks, Cockatoos, Galahs or a variety of Lorikeets nesting in the hollow trees .



Spangled Drongo



Yellow-faced Honeyeater



Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike



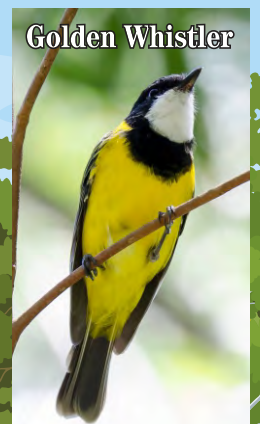
Eastern Whipbird



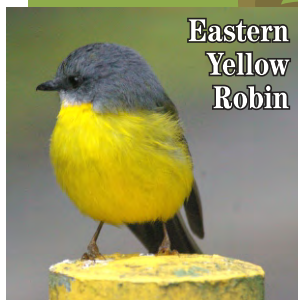
Eastern Spine-bill



Rose Robin



Golden Whistler



Eastern Yellow Robin



Spotted Pardalote



Silvereye

# My Bird Spotting List

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Golden  
Whistler



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