

# Carolina Chickadee



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# CAROLINA CHICKADEE

*Poecile carolinensis*

ORDER: Passeriformes

## IDENTIFICATION CLUES



- ◆ 4 - 5 inches long, a small bird
- ◆ wings and back are gray
- ◆ white cheeks, black-capped head and dark throat are distinct characteristics of the Carolina Chickadee



### Where to Look

Carolina Chickadees are found in woodlands and residential areas. They are also common visitors to feeders.

### What It Eats.

Chickadees feed on a variety of different seeds and can easily be attracted to bird feeders with sunflower seeds. They also eat insects and spiders.



### Nesting

Carolina Chickadees lay 6-8 white speckled eggs in a tree cavity or nest box. They line the hole with moss and fur.



### Call or Song

The call of the Carolina Chickadee is a “fee-bee, fee-bay” and “chickadee-dee-dee”.



### Migration?

The Carolina Chickadee is a year-round resident in Georgia.



### Did You Know

The Carolina Chickadee is very similar to its northern relative, the Black-capped Chickadee. Chickadees often roam the winter woods with other small birds like the Tufted Titmouse.