

Nesties

And Eggies



Nests

Most familiar bird nests fit into 5 types--cupped (or half-cupped), cavity, pendant, scrape, and burrow.





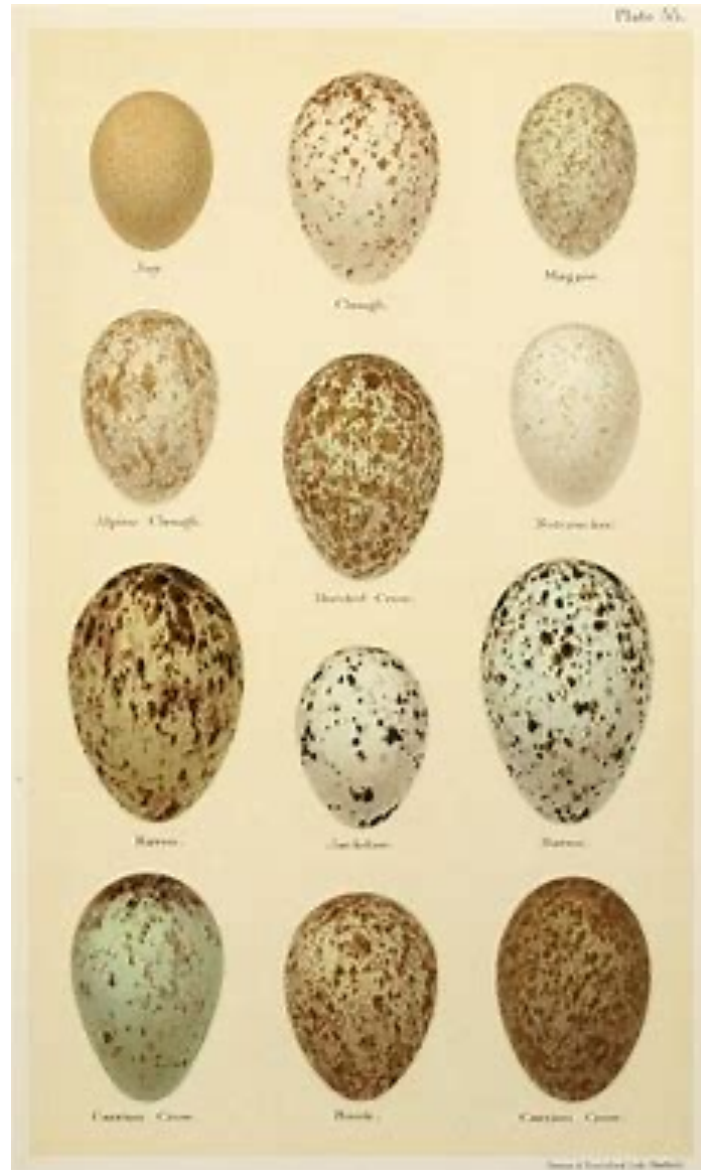
Bird Architects

- Bald eagles make long lasting nests adding to them each year.
- Hummingbirds make small nests which stretch as the babies grow.
- Orioles make long elaborate nests dangling from trees.
- Birds that nest on beaches make a shallow depression to use as a nest.
- Birds that nest on rocky cliffside ledges on a coast lay pointy eggs that won't roll off the edge.
- Water birds like ducks build nests floating on the water, or in grassy areas in or near the water.
- Burrowing owls build nests underground.
- Other owls are cavity nesters building nests in holes in trees and snags (dead trees).



Eggs

Bird eggs come in all different sizes, ranging from tiny hummingbird eggs to huge ostrich eggs. Bird eggs can be white, blue, green, brown, or a combination of colors. Often they have markings—spots or patterns.



Nesting to *Clementine*

Birds are nesting, in tree
hollows,

And they're nesting on
the ground,

And they're nesting on
the water,

And wherever space is
found!



Be a nest detective!

Birds nest in lots of different places, --cavities in trees, on the water in the wetland—can you find a nest in the park?

Collect twigs, grass and leaves and glue them in a paper bowl to make nest art!

You can make a nest snack from pretzel sticks and twists!



Birds have
lots of
adaptations
for nests
and eggs!

