Bird Atlas 2007-11
Mapping Britain and Ireland's birds

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Roving Records form

Observer name:	Office Use
Postal address:	
Email address:	

If possible give a full **tetrad** grid reference. This comprises two prefix letters and two numbers for the 10-km (*eg* SK49), plus the suffix tetrad letter from the tetrad grid shown to the right (*eg* SK49H)

E	**J**	**P**	**U**	**Z**
D	**I**	**N**	**T**	**Y**
C	**H**	**M**	**S**	**X**
B	**G**	**L**	**R**	**W**
A	**F**	**K**	**Q**	**V**

Tetrads = 2km x 2km

Use this form to record species using tetrads or 10-km squares during winter (Nov–Feb) and the breeding season (Apr–Jul), though you can submit evidence of breeding outside these periods. 'Using' means anything other than simply flying over, though records like Swallows taking insects in the air or hovering Kestrels do count as using the square. For each record provide at least a 10-km grid reference, but if possible, also the relevant tetrad letter (see above). Help with grid references can be found at www.birdatlas.net or see the key on an OS map. You can enter a count if you wish in the 'Count' column. Counts of flocks and aggregated species will be most useful. For birds flying over please put **F** in the 'Code' column to signify this, otherwise leave the 'Code' column blank in winter. Evidence of breeding can often been seen without finding nests - see overleaf for details. If you make a nocturnal visit but find no nocturnal species (*eg* owls, Nightjar, Woodcock), enter 'NILNOCT' in the species column so that we know a visit was made.

10-km				Tetrad (optional)	Town, village or feature in tetrad or 10-km square	Day	Month	Year	Species name	Count (optional)	Code (optional)	Office Use
S	K	4	9	H	Rotherham	15	01	2008	Woodpigeon	500		
S	K	4	9		Rotherham	21	04	2008	Canada Goose		**F**	
S	K	4	9		Rotherham	20	06	2008	Blue Tit		**FL**	

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You can submit your records online at www.birdatlas.net or post to your Regional Organiser or the relevant country address below:

England, Wales, Channel Islands & Isle of Man: Bird Atlas, BTO, The Nunnery, Thetford, Norfolk IP24 2PU.

Scotland: Bird Atlas, SOC, Waterston House, Aberlady, East Lothian EH32 0PY.

Ireland: Bird Atlas, BirdWatch Ireland, Midlands Office, Crank House, Banagher, Co. Offaly.

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For birds seen flying over during the winter and breeding seasons please put **F** in the 'Code' column.
During the breeding season pick the code below which indicates the highest evidence of breeding you observed.
All codes for Possible, Probable and Confirmed breeding must relate to individuals in potentially suitable nesting habitat, and should rarely be used outside the breeding season.

Breeding Evidence

NON-BREEDER

F **F**lying over
M **M**igrant
U S**U**mmering

POSSIBLE BREEDER

H Observed in suitable nesting **H**abitat
S **S**inging male

PROBABLE BREEDER

P **P**air in suitable nesting habitat
T Permanent **T**erritory (many individuals on 1 day or 1 individual over 1+ wk)
D Courtship and **D**isplay
N Visiting probable **N**est site
A **A**gitated behaviour
I Brood patch of **I**ncubating bird
B Nest **B**uilding or excavating

CONFIRMED BREEDER

DD **D**istraction **D**isplay
UN **U**sed **N**est or eggshells found from this season
FL Recently **FL**edged young or downy young
ON Adults entering or leaving nest-site indicating **O**ccupied **N**est
FF Adults carrying **F**aecal sac or **F**ood for young
NE **N**est containing **E**ggs
NY **N**est with **Y**oung seen or heard

Your name and address will be kept on a computerised database for the purpose of atlas administration, and for furthering the objectives of BTO, BWI and SOC. The BTO Data Controller is the Director of Services, BTO, The Nunnery, Thetford, Norfolk, IP24 2PU.