



**FRIENDS OF
BALCONES CANYONLANDS
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**

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MISSION STATEMENT

*To support, complete, and
enhance the Balcones
Canyonlands National Wildlife
Refuge and its diverse ecology
and promote its use for
recreational, educational, and
scientific purposes.*



Balcones Christmas Bird Count, December 18, 2017

FEEDER WATCHER DATA SHEET

This form is intended to assist those wishing to participate in the Christmas Bird Count (CBC) as a feeder watcher. The list below of some of the more common feeder visitors is intended to be an aid for recording your results, and is by no means an exhaustive list of birds that might show up at your feeders. There are five things that you must do as a feeder watcher:

1. The feeders you intend to watch must be within the “count circle”, an area defined by a 15-mile diameter circle. A map of the circle is located on the Balcones CBC website at www.balconescbc.org
2. Contact us at balconescbc@gmail.com to sign up as a feeder watcher.
3. Identify and count all individuals of all species that visit your feeder on the day of the count. Record only the highest number seen at any one time. For example, if a single Northern Cardinal visits your feeder, then later two visit, and even later three show up at your feeder, your count for Northern Cardinals will be three – the highest number to visit at one time.
4. Record the total hours spent observing your feeders. It is not necessary to be at your feeders for the entire day, or even continuously. Record just the time spent watching. One hour or ten, we’re still interested in receiving your data!
5. Submit your results to balconescbc@gmail.com as soon as you have finished your observations.

Thank you for participating in the CBC! If you have a story to share about your experience or any photos be sure to include it with your data sheet report.

Thank you for participating in this important citizen-science project!

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