

Canada Goose

Scientific name: *Branta canadensis*



Facts:

Height	30" - 43"
Wingspan	50" - 70"
Weight	6.5 - 18 lbs
Lifestyle	Social, Diurnal (active during daylight)
Lifespan	20+ years

Diet: *Herbivore*

Canada geese are primarily herbivores consuming grasses, grains, and berries, however, they will also eat small insects and fish.

Behavior:

Canada geese create long-term bonds with low separation rates. They remain together throughout the year. Geese mate "assortatively,"; larger birds choose larger mates and smaller birds choose smaller mates. Male geese are usually larger.



Did you know?

Canada geese have great eyesight. They can see more than 180° horizontally and vertically which is useful during flight.

Habitat:

Near lakes, rivers, ponds, or other small or large bodies of water, and in yards, park lawns, and farm fields.

Range:

Breeding occurs throughout Canada and northern U.S. In the southern U.S., residents are often migrants from the north.

