The Best Places To Find Birds On The Eastside
These places have a variety of opportunities to enjoy getting outside. All of them have birds. Enjoy yourself!

**Bellevue**
Bellevue Botanical Garden
(http://www.bellevuebotanical.org)

Mercer Slough Nature Park
https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/parks-and-trails/parks/mercer-slough-nature-park/)

**Issaquah**
Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park

**Kenmore**
St. Edwards State Park
http://parks.state.wa.us/577/Saint-Edward

**King Country**
Lake Sammamish State Park
http://parks.state.wa.us/533/Lake-Sammamish

**Kirkland**
Juanita Bay Park (This may be a favorite of Audubon members. The birds are WONDERFUL!)

Totem Lake Park

**Redmond**
Marymoor Park
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marymoor_Park
Fun Outdoor Activities
Check out these web sites for some great ideas on fun ways to see and learn about birds.

BirdSleuth K-12:
http://www.birdsleuth.org/pennington/
Feathered Friends Activities. Engaging science lessons brought to you by your local birds!

The Cornell Lab of Ornithology BirdSleuth K-12 Free Resources
(Additional resources are available at a cost.)
http://www.birdsleuth.org/free-resources
Offers lessons such as Bird Communication, Life in a Nest, Investigating Evidence and more.

Educationpossible
https://educationpossible.com/10-bird-learning-activities-kids/
10 bird learning activities for kids

Scholastic Lesson Plan
https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/lesson-plans/teaching-content/beautiful-birds/
This has information for both teachers or family projects.

You Tube: Birds
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jF0Id-hH9y4
Numerous videos about birds. Many of them work well for kids.

Web Site About Birds

All About Birds
https://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/search/
A bird guide, bird cams, birding basics, news & features and information on how to get involved.

Audobon: The Eastside (Kirkland, Redmond, Bellevue, etc.)
https://eastsideaudubon.org
Includes how to get involved and get outside. There is information about birds (field trips, best classes, best places, etc.).

Audobon (National)
http://www.audubon.org/birds
News about birds, special features about bird, getting outside, conservation and information about the organization. The “Birds” section is a guide to birds.

Cornell Lab of Ornithology  All About Birds
A bird guide, bird cams, birding basics, and living bird.

Cornell Lab Merlin
Choose one of your bird pictures to download on this web site. Merlin will give you possible species. Your pictures of birds will help train this new program.

https://www.engadget.com/2015/06/07/cornell-bird-photo-id/

Kidzone: All About Birds
http://www.kidzone.ws/animals/birds1.htm
Has information about birds, online activities and many lesson plans for kids Preschool to Fourth Grade.

National Geographic
https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/birds/?source=animalsnav
Has information on Featured Birds, About Birds, Bird Videos, and stories about birds.

Books for Children
A variety of books on many types of birds, baby birds, nests . . . for young readers.

Note: Information from Amazon.com

About Birds: A Guide for Children by Cathryn Sill
This kid-friendly book offers a first thoughtful glimpse into the world of birds. Age Range: 4-7

About Hummingbirds: A Guide for Children by Cathryn Sill
Simple, easy-to understand language that teaches children what hummingbirds are. Age Range: 4-7

About Penguins: A Guide for Children by Cathryn Sill
Teaches children what penguins are, how they look, move, eat and where they live. Age Range: 4-7

Baby Birds by Bobbie Kalman
Helps children understand why and how birds lay eggs and how hatchlings emerge from their shells. Age Range: 5-8 years.

Backyard Birding for Kids by Fran Lee
This book teaches kids about birds of all varieties, how to make their backyard bird-friendly, build a bird feeder and more. Grades 4-8
**Backyard Birds (Field Guides for Young Naturalists) by Karen Stray Nolting and more**  
This book uses the original art of naturalist Roger Tory Peterson and the most effective method for bird identification. Ages 4-7.

**Backyard Birds of Summer: The Perfect Introduction to Birding by Carol Lerner**  
This combines beautiful watercolor illustrations with helpful tips on feeders, houses and appropriate food. Grades 3-6

**Barn Owls by Melissa Hill and Gail Saunders-Smith**  
Learn more about these pale nighttime hunters. Ages 4-8.

**Beginning Birdwatcher’s Book: With 48 Stickers by Sy Barlow**  
This fact-filled workbook will help young birders begin keeping their own life list as they learn about 48 common North American birds. Ages 8-14

**Bird (DK Eyewitness Books) by David Burnie**  
Learn how birds’ bodies are designed for flight, why wings are different shapes and sizes, . . . . Discover how and where birds make their nests, why eggs are different colors . . . . Ages 8-12

**Bird Log Kids (Nature Journals)**  
The positive effects of Journaling . . . have been celebrated for decades. . . . the book . . . presents simple questions that gently guide children to record and draw their important bird observations. Ages 5-12

**Bird Talk: What birds are Saying and Why by Lita Judge**  
Birds have lots of ways of communicating: They sing and talk, dance and drum, cuddle and fight. But what does all of the bird talk mean? Ages 6-9

**Birds, Nests & Eggs (Take Along Guides)**  
Kids will learn how and where birds build their nests and all about their young. Plus the guide features activities that are fun and easy to do.

**Everything Birds of Prey: Swoop in for Seriously Fierce Photos and Amazing Info by Blake Hoena**  
From eagles to falcons and talons to beaks, Everything Birds of Prey introduces readers to the world’s most ferocious fliers. Ages 8-12
**Bring on the Birds by Susan Stockdale**
Introduces young readers to distinctive birds and their unique qualities. Meets bird such as the Blue-footed Booby and Red-billed Oxpecker. Ages 2-4

**Can You Find These Birds? (All About Nature) by Carmen Bredson**
This little guide is perfect for the new reader. Learn how to identify many common birds by reading about their traits and seeing photos of the birds in nature. Ages Preschool-Kindergarten

**Crinkleroot’s Guide to Knowing the Birds by Jim Arnosky**
Crinkleroot shares the excitement and rewards of birdwatching . . . identifying more than fifty birds and including facts about bird anatomy, behavior, life cycles and more. Ages 6-9

**Everything Bird: What Kids Really Want To Know About Bird FAQs by Cherie Winner**
The question and answer format packed with photos and kid-appealing layout . . . provides basic information like habitat, diet, life cycle and history. Ages 8-11

**Feathers: Not Just for Flying by Melissa Steward**
Meet 16 birds and find out how they use their feathers. They are not just for flying. Ages 6-9.

**Fine Feathered Friends: All About Birds by Trish Rabe**
Dick and Sally find themselves on a bird-watching tour led by the Cat in the Hat. They go motoring around the world to observe our fine feathered friends in their natural habitats. Ages 4-8

**Have You Heard the Nesting Bird? by Rita Gray**
Hear all the different bird calls and the quiet of a mama bird waiting for her eggs to hatch. Fun and informative facts are learned right from the bird’s bill. Ages 4-7

**How Do Birds Find Their Way by Roma Gans**
Arctic Terns fly more than 10,000 miles. Tiny little Hummingbirds fly nonstop over the ocean for 500 miles. How do they know which way to fly? Why don’t they get lost? Read and find out. Ages 4-8

**Let’s Learn About Birds by Cheryl Shireman**
This book is full of beautiful color photos of various types of birds in assorted activities. Ages not available

**Look Up!: Bird-Watching in Your Own Backyard** by Annette LeBlanc Cate
Quirky full-color illustrations portray dozens of birds chatting about their distinctive characteristics. Tongue-in-cheek cartoons feature bangers between birds, characters and the reader. Ages 8-12

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