



# Our Five Favourite Birds & Flowers of Melbourne

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**Take me with  
you on your walk.  
Listen to bird  
songs and smell  
the flowers.**





# Rainbow lorikeet



Loves the sweet nectar of eucalypts.  
Often seen in groups. Watch them fly  
fast and loud.



# Little penguin



St Kilda is home to a colony of 1300 penguins. Come watch them swim back from the bay at dusk.

# Eastern rosella



Makes nests in holes in very old trees more than 100 years old. In the city, there are not many old trees, so you can make nest boxes to help the birds.



# Tawny frogmouth



Active at night and very good at camouflaging in trees at day time. They call whoo-who-who at night, but these birds are not owls.



# Australian magpie



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A very clever bird that sings beautifully. They have red eyes and love to eat bugs on the ground.



# Acacia (Wattle)



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Flowers with a sweet smell like honey. The Golden Wattle is the floral emblem of Australia. The gold and green colours of wattle are used in national sports teams.



# Karkalla



Visit the beach around noon to see the pink flowers bloom. A sea vegetable that has salty leaves and sweet red fruit.



# Flax lily



Tall grassy plant with blue and yellow flowers. Makes blue fruit that can be used to dye textile.



# Native fuchsia



Colourful bell shaped flowers can be red, green or pink. Birds use their long beaks to eat nectar from the flowers.



# Chocolate lily



Enjoy the sweet chocolate smell of the flowers in spring. The juicy tubers are traditional foods of the Indigenous people.