

Birds

With its location in the center of Kyoto, surrounded by the urban spaces of the city, in spring and fall the grounds of Kyoto Gyoen are a key haven for migratory birds. The gardens are a place to breed in summer and certain species of arboreal birds also spend the winter here. Over 100 species of birds have been spotted in the garden, of which 21 breed here.

Brown hawk-owl (*nihojua scutulata*)

Dusky thrush (*turdus eunomus*)

Daurian redstart (*phoenicurus aureus*)

Common kingfisher (*alcedo atthis*)

Northern goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis*)

Insects

The wooded areas, fields and ponds surrounding the Gyoen provide a fine environment for a wide variety of insects: 55 kinds of butterfly, 26 types of dragonfly and 8 kinds of cicadas have been confirmed to live here.

Molting cicada

Blue-tailed forest hawk (*orthetrum triangulare melania*)

Kempfer cicada (*platypleura kaempferi*)

Large brown cicada (*graptopsaltria nigrofuscata*)

Common bluebottle (*graphium sarpedon*)

Bear cicada (*cryptotympana facialis*)