

# WHO WILL YOU VOTE FOR?

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## AMERICAN GOLDFINCH

Scientific name: *Spinus tristis*



Voice Bright per-chick-o-ree, also rendered as potato-chips, delivered in flight and coinciding with each undulation.

This 5-inch long, beautiful yellow and black, very social bird likes to congregate in small flocks in weedy fields and at feeders. They forage actively in weeds, shrubs and trees, often climbing about acrobatically on plants such as thistles to reach seeds and insects. Seeds, especially of the daisy family, are their primary food. Very characteristic is its undulating flight pattern. They are seen in Glencoe neighborhoods, in the parks and on our golf courses.

Nesting begins late in the season during July and August. The nest is a solid, compact cup of plant fibers and spiderwebs. The nest is so well made that it may even hold water. More Goldfinches are staying north in the winter, in areas with a good food supply.

How climate change will reshape the range: It will shift to the north.

Overall species vulnerability status: Moderate

+35.6° Fahrenheit warming species vulnerability: It is predicted that there will be a SIGNIFICANT 44% range loss, including in our area.

**Credits:** The Sibley Guide to Birds, Second Edition; Written and Illustrated by David Allen Sibley, published by Alfred A. Knopf, 2014  
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