

You don't have to be an expert to take part, you can record as much or as little information as you are able. All you need to do is fill in the first and last dates for the wildlife events detailed below. Even forms with just one or two entries will contribute to the project. Your observations can be made anywhere in Shetland.

TREES	Budburst	First leaf	First flower
Example	17 / 03 / 03	04 / 04 / 03	
Alder	/ /	/ /	
Elder	/ /	/ /	/ /
Rowan	/ /	/ /	/ /
Sycamore	/ /	/ /	
Willow sp.	/ /	/ /	



SUMMER BIRDS	First seen	Last seen
Arctic Skua	/ /	/ /
Arctic Tern	/ /	/ /
Cuckoo (heard)	/ /	
Great Skua	/ /	/ /
Swallow	/ /	/ /
Wheatear	/ /	/ /

Definitions
 Budburst: colour of leaves visible through openings in swollen bud.
First leaf: first leaf fully open and is the recognisable adult shape if not size.
First flower: please record this when the petals have opened sufficiently for you to see the inside of the flower.

OTHER WILDLIFE	First seen	Last seen
White-tailed Bumblebee	/ /	/ /
Shetland Bumblebee	/ /	/ /
Large White Butterfly	/ /	/ /
Red Admiral Butterfly	/ /	/ /
Hedgehog	/ /	/ /
Frogspawn	/ /	
Tadpoles	/ /	



WINTER BIRDS	First seen	Last seen
Example	17 / 10 / 03	05 / 05 / 04
Long-tailed Duck	/ /	/ /
Robin	/ /	/ /
Snow Bunting	/ /	/ /
Whooper Swan	/ /	/ /

FLOWERS	First flower
Cocksfoot	/ /
Lady's Smock	/ /
Common Violet	/ /
Lesser Celandine	/ /
Marsh Marigold	/ /
Primrose	/ /
Red Campion	/ /

LAWN	
First cut	/ /
Last cut	/ /

BIRD ACTIVITY	First nest building	First feeding young	First young seen outside nest
Blackbird	/ /	/ /	/ /
Eider			/ /
House Sparrow	/ /	/ /	/ /
Oystercatcher			/ /
Starling	/ /	/ /	/ /
Puffin – first seen ashore		/ /	
Skylark – first song heard		/ /	
Curlew – first display/song		/ /	
Snipe – first drumming heard		/ /	