

March Phenology Report

Find these signs of spring and compare your observations with local phenologist, John Latimer

Organism/Event	Observations
 <p>Northern Cardinal: First song heard</p>	<p>John Latimer's average date: <u>Feb 27</u></p> <p>Your Date: _____</p> <p>* nesting female cardinals sing too!</p>
 <p>Pussy Willows: First furry buds</p>	<p>John Latimer's average date: <u>Mar 4</u></p> <p>Your Date: _____</p> <p>* 'All-star' host for early pollinators</p>
 <p>Canada Goose: First flock seen in spring</p>	<p>John Latimer's average date: <u>Mar 22</u></p> <p>Your Date: _____</p> <p>* Can migrate 1,500 miles in a day</p>
 <p>Eastern Chipmunk: First Sighting</p>	<p>John Latimer's average date: <u>Mar 23</u></p> <p>Your Date: _____</p> <p>* Listen for their high-pitched, continuous 'chíp'</p>

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 <p>American Robin: First spring migrators. Song</p>	<p>John Latimer's average date: <u>Mar 24</u></p> <p>Your Date: _____</p> <p>* Sing when they arrive on breeding territory</p>
 <p>Red Winged Blackbird: First sighting. Song</p>	<p>John Latimer's average date: <u>Mar 28</u></p> <p>Your Date: _____</p> <p>* Males arrive up to a month before females</p>
 <p>Great Blue Heron: First seen in spring</p>	<p>John Latimer's average date: <u>Mar 29</u></p> <p>Your Date: _____</p> <p>* Look for them hunting in shallow water</p>
 <p>Woodcock: First seen or heard in spring. Song</p>	<p>Average date: <u>Mar 30?</u></p> <p>Your Date: _____</p> <p>* wet thickets, openings, young woods. Listen for their buzzy 'peent' call</p>

(Turn page over to record more of your observations)

What other seasonal 'firsts' did you observe?

(flowers blooming? birds heard? insects seen? trees leafing out? etc.)

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Date/Notes

Your Name: _____

*Share your observations with others by posting them on the Phenology Board in the Lab
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