Quick Guide to the eBird Smartphone App
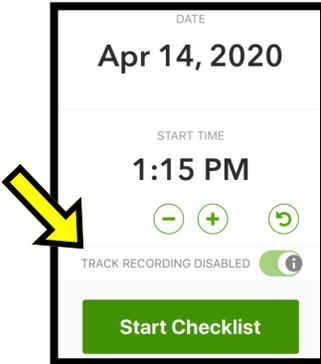
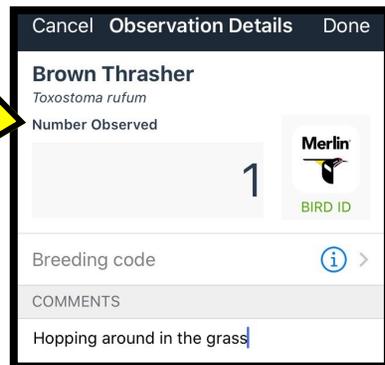**1** Open the app. Create an account and follow the instructions OR login.

2 Check the date and time, then click "Start Checklist" to begin. Select Record Track if you'd like the app to automatically record your time/distance traveled while birding!

DATE
Apr 14, 2020

START TIME
1:15 PM

TRACK RECORDING DISABLED

Start Checklist

3 Scroll through the list of birds and add in the total individuals for each species you see by 1) tapping the + sign next to a species in the list or 2) tapping the species name and typing in the total number for that species in the popup screen. Note: comments are optional unless reporting a rare bird!
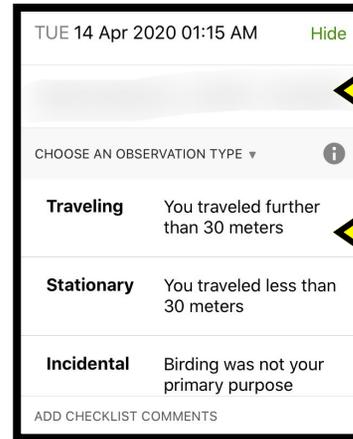
+ Gray Catbird
1 **Brown Thrasher**
+ Northern Mockingbird

Cancel **Observation Details** Done

Brown Thrasher
Toxostoma rufum
Number Observed

1

Merlin
BIRD ID

Breeding code (i) >
COMMENTS
Hopping around in the grass

4 When done observing birds, tap "Review."

+ = ✓1 **Review**

5 Enter the remaining data required as prompted and submit!

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CHOOSE AN OBSERVATION TYPE ▾

Traveling You traveled further than 30 meters

Stationary You traveled less than 30 meters

Incidental Birding was not your primary purpose
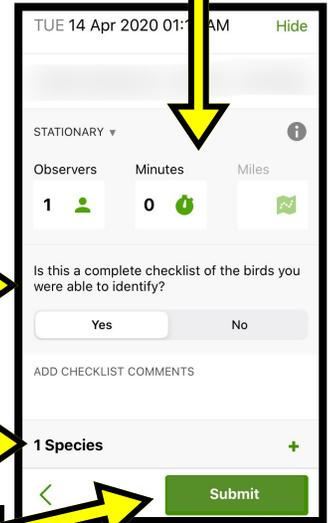
ADD CHECKLIST COMMENTS

If the app needs your location, you will see a notice here. Tap to select your location.

If you did not use Track Recording, you must select an observation type here. Once a type is selected, enter the data required type as prompted where not entered automatically.

Are you submitting a list of every species you saw that you know how to identify? Choose yes if you left out birds that you could not identify. Choose no if you are leaving any species you could identify out for any reason.

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STATIONARY ▾

Observers   Minutes   Miles
1   0

Is this a complete checklist of the birds you were able to identify?

Yes   No

ADD CHECKLIST COMMENTS

Scroll through and check your species list and counts!
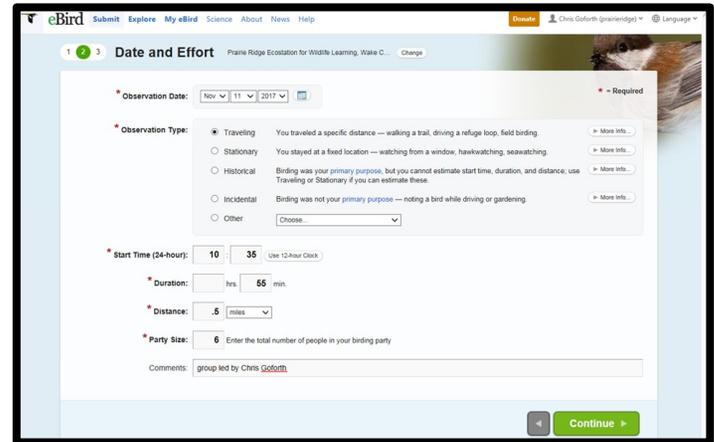
1 Species   +

< **Submit**

Tap Submit to send your list to eBird!

Quick Guide to the eBird Website

1 Visit ebird.org and create a free account. Login.

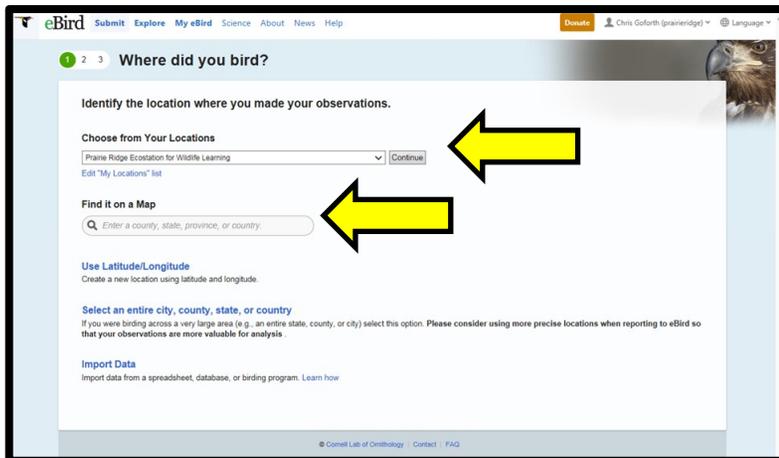**2** Click "Submit" in the upper left of the screen.

3 Tell eBird where you went birding! If you're in a location you've visited before, select it from "Choose from Your Locations." Otherwise, find your location on the map.

4 Tell eBird how you collected your data - the date, what time you started, how long you were out, whether you stayed in one place or walked, and how many people were in your group. This screen looks different depending on your choices! Click "Continue."

5 Enter the total number of birds you saw for each species listed. The most likely birds are listed at the top of the page and you will need to scroll down for the less common ones. Click Yes in the complete checklist question in the lower left if you are submitting all the birds you know how to identify, even if you saw birds couldn't identify, then click "Submit!"

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