

Owls

Owls - Owls are birds from the order Strigiformes, which includes about 200 species of mostly solitary and nocturnal birds of prey typified by an upright stance, a large, broad head, binocular vision, binaural hearing, sharp talons, and feathers adapted for silent flight. Exceptions include the diurnal northern hawk-owl and the gregarious burrowing owl. Owls have fascinated humanity from time immemorial: to some cultures they are symbols of wisdom, while to others they are harbingers of death. Here, we hope to shed some light on these mysterious birds... Owls are generally characterized as being birds of prey of the order Strigiformes. Most owls are nocturnal, with a few exceptions. Many owls hunt during the night, while others hunt during the day. Owls are some of the most fascinating and mysterious raptors in the world. While many people know a little bit about these birds of prey, some owl facts can surprise even the most experienced birders.