

BLACK-THROATED SPARROW



Did you know that Arizona's diversity of birds remains high during the winter months? This month, we'll learn all about the Black-throated Sparrow. While this breed tends to stay in Arizona year-round, they can migrate short distances. Here are three more things you may not know about the Black-throated Sparrow:

- 1. They are primary ground foragers and tend to forage near or under shrubs and cacti.
- 2. They mainly eat insects during the breeding season, which is roughly early March to early October.
- 3. The females will make cup-shaped nests approximately one foot above the ground on the north or east side of cacti and shrubs.

Sources:

Southeastern Arizona Bird Observatory: https://sabo.org/tips-for-birding-travelers/the-five-seasons/ All About Birds: https://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/Black-throated_Sparrow/lifehistory



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