

*The Weekly Wing*  
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Hidy ho subscribers! This week we will be talking about two types of birds, Kinglets and Wrens.

The Ruby Crowned Kinglet is Minnesota's second smallest bird next to the Humming Bird. There is another species of Kinglet called the Golden Crowned Kinglet but it is not nearly as common in Minnesota as the Ruby Crowned Kinglet. Although it is called the Ruby Crowned Kinglet you do not see its crown very often. The main difference between the Kinglet and the other birds is the white ring around its eye. Other than the ring around its eye they are a greenish olive color. Since this bird is so small it has great speed and agility. It blends in extremely well in bushes and shrubs, so if your on the hunt for one look closely at wall-like bushes around ponds. If you are looking for them do not rely on seeing the red crest because it is very hard to spot. Kinglets eat mostly insects.

Next is the Wren. The most common type of Wren you can see is the House Wren. You may know this bird for it's long beautiful song. There are other species of Wren but we are going to focus on this one. The House Wren is small and is overall light and dark brown. Just like the Kinglet, the Wren's diet consists of mostly insects and caterpillars. Since this Wren nests in cavities it will nest in birdhouses. This Wren also moves very fast and sings its song while it perches.

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