

## Bird Calendar (Earth List)

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Eastern koel

January companion  
in the vertical air

Brown thornbill

March folds away its songs  
while sap falls

Southern boobook

May returns  
and the house is empty

Powerful owl

July cradled like a pine branch  
scored by talons

Fan-tailed cuckoo

September softens  
the hardest memory

Grey butcherbird

November warning  
before the sky darkens

Sulphur-crested cockatoo

February rises like  
a burning mantle

Grey goshawk

April farewell  
to a dying tree

Glossy black-cockatoo

June cracks open  
as continents drift

Yellow-faced honeyeater

August cascading over  
ruined limbs

Wonga pigeon

October clock  
steadying sorrow

Sacred kingfisher

December fledgling  
by a dry creek