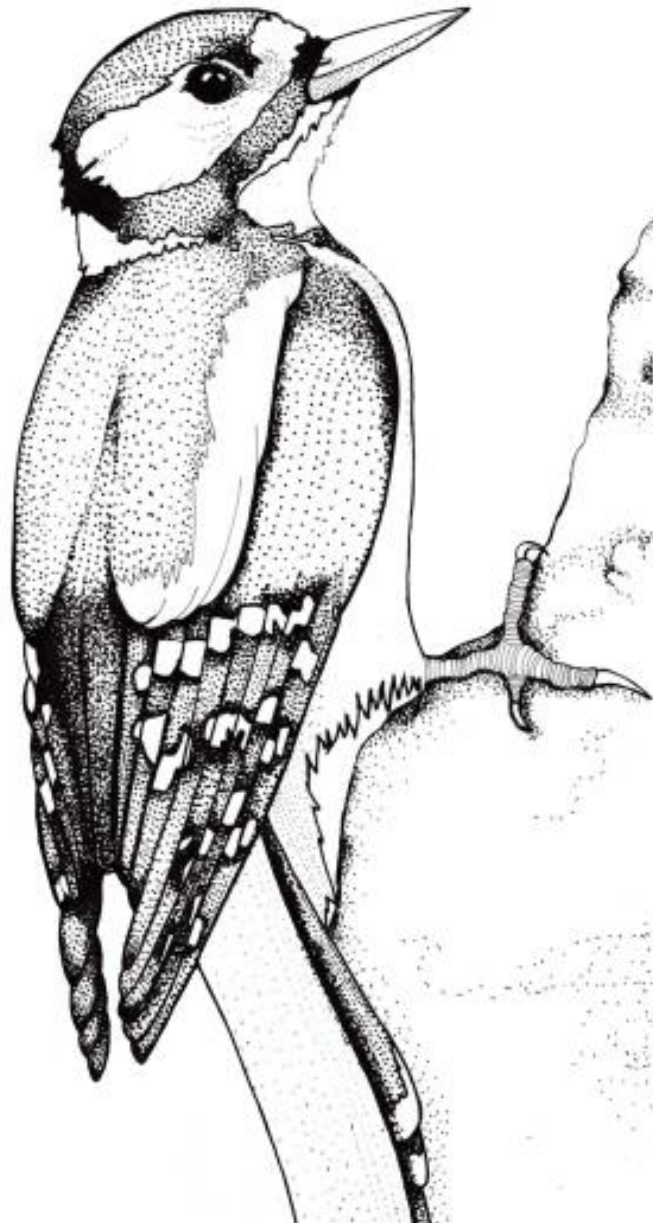


Great Spotted Woodpecker



Scientific name: *Dendrocopos major*
Manx name: Snoggeyder mooar
Length: 22cm – 23cm from tip of beak to tip of tail
Wingspan: 34cm – 39cm
Weight: 85g



Great Spotted Woodpeckers are about the size of a Blackbird. They live near trees and can often be heard drumming or calling. They spend most of their time clinging to the trees. Great Spotted Woodpeckers have 4 toes, 2 facing forward and 2 backwards. This is to help them climb up tree trunks and branches. Sometimes Great Spotted Woodpeckers visit gardens, they especially like peanut feeders.

Fun fact: A male Great Spotted Woodpecker in spring may drum up to 600 times a day!