



MeadowLarks are plump, short-winged birds. All have a strong black V across their throat. They flit low over meadows and grain fields, stopping on fence posts or clumps of grass to sing. Meadowlarks are known for their song. The Western Meadowlark is more musical than the Eastern, which is pictured on the stamp. The Western Meadowlark is paler in color. The females are smaller and duller in color than the male.

Meadowlarks winter in the southern states. Some come north in spring as far as southern Canada. They live and nest in grassy meadows. The female lays three to seven white, speckled eggs. Meadowlarks feed on many kinds of insects. They also eat grain seeds and berries, especially during the winter months when insects are scarce.