

# Tawny owl

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**Scientific name** Strix aluco

**Classification** Strigiformes, Strigidae

**Distribution** Eurasian Continent

**Feeding Habits** Their main prey animals are field mice in forests, fish in riparian areas, birds such as House Sparrow and Common Starling in urban areas.

**Behavior and ecology** It is mainly distributed in the temperate zone of the Eurasian continent. It is adapted and inhabits various environments such as forests, riparian areas and urban areas. They often build their nests inside of tree hollows, but also use old ruins of other birds' nests and artificial nest boxes. Occasionally, they build a nest on the ground, and inside of a deserted house. The pair bond is strong, and during the breeding season, males actively sing and appeal to females.

