

small bird. The vibrant colors of red, yellow, green, and blue, instantly catch the eye in just a second. The breathtaking creature fluttering across your eyes is the one and only Painted Bunting.

The painted bunting is the most colorful species in the cardinal family. An adult painted bunting is about five inches tall, with wings that can span up to nine inches. The average lifespan of the painted bunting is two years. Making the most of their decade, these birds live a sensitive life and are not often spotted. Often, they approach bird feeders in backyards and engage in visual displays. These displays are where the males dance and show off their lively wings and vibrant colors. Spiritually wise, the painted bunting emphasizes "sing your thoughts" and "spread your heart." This symbolic bird lives with us as well as artists expressing themselves with their art.

Unfortunately, the painted bunting population suffers due to humans destroying nesting habitats and woods for urban expansion. Not only are they losing their homes, but they also get captured and sold illegally. The painted bunting used to be a cage bird, but fortunately, it is now illegal. How would this bird ever be able to thrive and bless the world with its beauty behind its joyful chirping heart? The beautiful painted bunting, along with other birds and other animals,