

**First summer migrant dates 2017**

It’s coming to that time of year when our summer migrants start to arrive. How exciting! In the table below, you will find the average arrival dates of a selection of species plus their arrival date last year. We will fill it when as and when species arrive this year. Watch this space!

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| Species  | Average arrival date | 2016 arrival date | 2017 arrival date |
| Blackcap | 3/4 | 3/4 |  |
| Chiffchaff | 20/3 | 16/3 |  |
| Cuckoo | 20/4 | 13/4 |  |
| Garden warbler | 30/4 | 24/4 |  |
| Garganey | 25/3 | 30/3 |  |
| Golden oriole | 6/5 | No confirmed records |  |
| Grasshopper warbler | 10/4 | 11/4 |  |
| Hobby | 18/4 | 13/4 |  |
| House martin | 11/4 | 6/4 |  |
| Nightingale | 15/4 | 29/4 |  |
| Reed warbler | 10/4 | 17/4 |  |
| Sand martin | 23/3 | 24/3 |  |
| Sedge warbler | 4/4 | 3/4 |  |
| Spotted flycatcher | 10/5 | 8/5 |  |
| Swallow | 27/3 | 27/3 |  |
| Swift | 25/4 | 22/4 |  |
| Turtle dove | 28/4 | 28/4 |  |
| Wheatear | 10/4 | 6/4 |  |
| Whitethroat | 8/4 | 13/4 |  |
| Willow warbler | 2/4 | 6/4 |  |
| Yellow wagtail | 6/4 | 10/4 |  |

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