THE MONTCLAIR BIRD CLUB

QUIZ 183

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How many songs are there? Between Google and Spotify and other sources, the number is between 80 million and over 100 million. We however, are interested in just bird songs probably not counted by Google or Spotify.

Today's quiz question is which of these two birds has the largest repertoire of songs: the marsh wren, or the northern mockingbird?





Link to ponder: Ring-Billed Gulls Kleptoparasitize Cicada Killer Wasps

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And the winner is:

Marsh wren



The western marsh wren song repertoire ranged from 134 to 919 with a median of 211 song types.

Mockingbirds consistently present a repertoire of around 200 distinct song types.

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