

The UK's seven best cabins for birdwatching

A cosy lodge in the Lake District's Eden Valley or cool digs on Essex marshland — these are the ideal spots from which to enjoy spring's birdsong

6. Romany, Romney Marsh, Kent



This birdwatcher's bolt hole comes with its own hot tub

The linnet's song is so captivating that these tiny birds, members of the finch family, were once captured and caged. Although numbers have fallen drastically, it is still possible to spot the crimson-chested males on Romney Marsh, the 100-acre wetland that sprawls across Kent and East Sussex. Vast numbers of birds winter here, while in spring reed buntings, corn buntings, linnets and lapwings come here to breed. You might catch sight of the rare honey buzzard and purple heron. This romantic cabin on the edge of the marsh, near Camber Sands and charming Rye, is the perfect birder's bolt hole. Inside it's all white clapboard and vintage finds, outside the picket-fence-fringed cottage garden brims with herbs, flowers — and a hot tub.

Details Two nights' self-catering for two from £1,050 (uniquehomestays.com)