

ROCK : *Psittacus*, not very high, is a very

FEED : Fruit, grain, thin-shelled nuts and the larger seeds of trees and shrubs. When the jay hides away squirrel-fashion against a rocky ledge. More than half his food in summer consists of insects.

HABIT : Blue jays rove about usually in flocks. He does not eat young birds as has been charged against him, though he sometimes sucks the eggs of other birds. He hides away food to provide for a time of want and by burying acorns and small nuts has planted innumerable trees. They are very mischievous, and love to carry off and hide away small and glittering articles. They mimic the cry of the hawk, apparently for the fun of frightening the other birds, and they love to roost out a poor owl in the daylight and chase him about.