

# A Birds Life

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Hi, I am a Black Billed Magpie named Columbine. I live in Fruita, Colorado. I woke up in the summer sun of June 2015. I went to find my favorite food, raspberries. So I swooped down on my outstretched wings and flew onto a great big raspberry bush. I stuffed myself with millions of raspberries until the bush had not one raspberry left on its branches. I did my best on gobbling and holding all of the berries down, but failed at my attempt. I choked the berries out of my mouth and it splattered all over my friend Rose. She squeaked at me while jelly gooped down her face. I tried to say sorry, but she just flew off.

I felt so bad so I flew into a tree and tried to eat some grain. After the big silence I headed back to the bird village, when suddenly I rammed right into an invisible net. I tangled up in the net and became upside down. My legs were caught in the holes of

the net, and my wings were tied to my dangling body. I struggled to get free, but the net didn't move an inch. I screeched for help, but there was no answer.

Suddenly, a person appeared out of nowhere and grabbed my legs in a weird position. I dangled from her hand and I was put in a small bag. I wiggled and wiggled to get out, but nothing happened.

The bag started to move as I was brought upon a table. I watched the person curiously while she put a small, cold band around my leg. I was put on her hands. I could feel the wind around me as I spread my wings. I WAS FREE! So I flew off and I was free at last!

I made my way back to my village to tell my friends what happened. At first, they didn't believe me. But, once I showed them the metal ring around my ankle, they finally believed me. So that night we talked all about what had happened. Rose forgave me and we had the best night ever!

The next morning I woke up because my friends were using their beaks to try to get the metal band off my ankle! So I freaked and flew away into a tree. I had so much momentum I tumbled out of the tree and landed in another net. The same person took me, but she didn't put on another metal band! She rolled the band in her fingers and looked at it. Then she put me on her hands and I flew off into the sunshine. I spread my wings and went to a random place in the forest, to start my own life, all by myself with no more nets.

Then my crazy friends showed up! But that's a whole other story that my metal band and freedom took me.