



Common Goldeneye



This beautiful diving duck occurs throughout most of North America in winter. They nest in tree cavities in boreal forest regions of Canada and Alaska. In breeding plumage, males are distinguished by their striking black and white markings along with their iridescent green head and the round white spot at the base of the bill. At close range in good light, their bright yellow eyes stand out. Females are comparatively drab with a reddish head and less contrasting white on their wings and body, Goldeneye ducks dive completely underwater in search of a variety of aquatic invertebrates.

