

PAINTED BUNTING

Painted Buntings eat seeds for most of the year. During migration, they form loose flocks with other seed-eating birds.



Because of their brightly-colored plumage, they are often caught and sold as pets in Mexico, Central America, and the Caribbean.



**DON'T BUY
ILLEGALLY-CAGED
BIRDS**

After breeding, western populations migrate to staging areas in Arizona and northwestern Mexico, where they molt before continuing to Central America.



**Central
America**



How can you help?
Because Painted Buntings are nocturnal migrants, they are vulnerable to nighttime collisions with communication towers and buildings. Help reduce these by turning off lights at night, especially during migration.

**TURN OFF
LIGHTS**

