

How to see a Rufous Scrub-bird

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Our local scrub-bird likes to sing,
While it skulks on the forest floor.
But as it rarely takes to wing,
The twitchers moan of sightings poor.

Despite its seeps and peeps and chips,
It seems a game of hide and seek.
Most searches for it lead to dips,
But that is due to poor technique.

They stay in safety on the path
And look forlornly for the bird.
Their caution makes me want to laugh,
Their method really is absurd!

But if you're game to plunge in deep,
Eventually you'll have good luck.
Investigate each chip and seep,
And you will end up wonder-struck.