Learn Atlanta Birdsongs

During the springtime, many birds have returned to Atlanta from their winter habitats. They are busy building nests and getting ready to raise families. Now is an ideal time to go outside and learn to recognize different species of birds by their songs!

Here is a fun family activity:

- At the family dinner table, learn to recognize common songs of birds that live in the
 Atlanta area. You can play these recordings with your smartphone. Use this free list of
 common Atlanta area bird songs, made available by the Fernbank Science Center:
 http://www.fernbank.edu/Birding/common_birds.htm
- After family members have learned to recognize some new bird songs, go for a family walk. Or maybe just sit outside on your deck or patio. Who can identify the most birds you hear? Who can identify the most birds by sight? Who is your "family champion" birder? Have fun together!

To learn more bird songs, here is another great audiobook resource:

Beletsky, Les (2018) <u>Bird Songs: 250 North American Birds in Song</u>. Bellvue, WA: Becker and Mayer Books.