

How to Provide Water for Summer Birds



Concrete Bird Bath

To attract the greatest variety of birds to your yard, provide a source of water along with your feeders.

Recommended Baths

Bird baths come in many shapes, sizes and materials, and they can be placed on the ground, pedestal-mounted or hung.



Ceramic Bird Baths

1. Concrete baths are often the centerpieces of wellmanicured landscapes. These baths are difficult to relocate because of their weight, and they can become a permanent decorative element in your yard.

2. Ceramic bath styles can range from simple to very decorative. Their light weight makes them easy to relocate about the vard and to clean.



Plastic Bird Bath

3a & b. Plastic and metal baths are light, versatile and can be easily moved about your vard. These baths work well with a bird bath heater and, unlike concrete and ceramic baths, they can be used in freezing conditions.

Birds prefer to bathe and drink in different depths of water. Use a bath with a sloped edge or add stones to vary the depth so birds can bathe comfortably.

3b.

Place your bath 10 to 12 feet from shrubs so predators can't surprise the birds. Shrubs also offer birds a place to preen their feathers and dry off.

Recommended Items

Metal Bird Bath

You will attract more birds with moving water. Use the Water Wiggler[™] to create motion in your bird bath and to prevent mosquitoes from breeding in the water.

Regular cleaning will help reduce algae and is good for your birds' health. Scrub your bath regularly with our EcoTough[™] Scrubber Brush, rinse well, and replace with fresh water.

Attach our WBU Dripper to your bird bath to provide a source of moving water. Many birds will creep down the dripper spout to take a drink.







Water Wiggler

EcoTough Scrubber Brush

WBU Dripper

Save More on Bird Food With DSC



Join the Club and Save

By becoming a member of our Daily Savings Club®, you'll get 15% off regular, every day bird and wildlife food prices and an additional 5% off sale prices of bird and wildlife food (like Safflower, 08/01 thru 08/15). You'll also be rewarded with Club-member-only specials like receive an additional 5% off clearance items through 08/15. Come in today and ask how you can join The Club and save.

Annual Daily Savings Club Fee

\$25.00

Backyard Problem Solvers



Safflower ON SALE, 08/01 thru 08/15!

Many of your favorite birds will enjoy Safflower, yet Blackbirds, grackles and squirrels typically don't. Offer safflower gradually, mixing it with the seed blends you currently provide, and over time you'll end up with a dining spot for all kinds of birds, including House Finches, woodpeckers, nuthatches and chickadees! Save on all Safflower products 08/01 thru 08/15.

Safflower 20 lb. bag

SALE \$22.24

Guard Against Squirrels and Large Birds

Take delight not only in seeing the finches, chickadees and other colorful birds you enjoy, but also in frustrating the squirrels, grackles, pigeons and starlings. With our OnGuard[™] cages, you control the size of bird that dines at your feeder. They allow small birds to go in and out to get their seed but stop larger birds and animals from entering. Our cages will fit a variety of feeder styles and sizes.

OnGuard Cages

from \$34.99

Our Top-of-the-Line Squirrel-Proof Feeder

The Eliminator[™] allows you to stop squirrels from eating your seed. Featuring unique, weight-sensitive technology, the feeder's seed ports are closed when a squirrel touches the perch ring. You can set the sensitivity level to also exclude large birds such as pigeons or doves. It's easy to hang, holds about three guarts of seed and is backed with a limited lifetime guarantee.

The Eliminator



- Day Lillies are in bloom.
- Young loons learn to fly.

nectar for sugars.

"stopover" migrants.

• Geese, ducks, cranes, etc. usually fly in 'V' formation. Theory is that all, but lead bird, gain lift from wing-tipped vortices produced by lead bird.







Discover a Refuge In Your Own Backyard."

Save Some More Green This Month



Seasonal Clearance

In addition to our seasonal clearance sale, this month save 15% off all birdbaths and water features. And check out the clearance tables and save 15% to 70% off garden items, binoculars, socks, feeders and more!

Clearance and Birdbath Sale thru 8/31



Receive up to \$150 Savings

Special Offer! Mail-in rebate on Vortex Razor Binoculars. Gear up for hunting season with some savings on the best warranty in the industry. Thru October 31st save \$100 on 42mm Razor and \$150 on 50mm Razor with a mail-in rebate. Vortex Razor 10x42 with rebate \$669.99

Swarovski Anniversary Sale

We are now an authorized Swarovski dealer. Special 60 anniversary pricing on all binocular models. The EL combines the diamond-brightness and excelletn light-gathering that perfectly cradles in your hand. Save \$100 now through 8/31. Swarovski EL 8x32 on sale \$1599

August Nature Happenings

• Aug 12-13: Perseids Meteor shower peaks.

• Aug 14: The planet Jupiter is closest to Earth

• Aug 17: The planet Neptune is closest to Earth

• Yellow jackets make paper-like nests.

 Watch for migrating nocturnal Common Nighthawks. • Turtle eggs are beginning to hatch.

• Hummingbirds are active at feeders and at flowers, sourcing protein from spiders and insects and sipping

• Male hummingbirds start their southbound migration this month, averaging 20 miles a day to their wintering grounds in Central America and Mexico. Females head south later, with juveniles sticking around until early October.

• Migration begins. Keep feeders full with fresh food for

• Pinon Jays, normally found exclusively in the pinon/juniper areas, gobble lots of seed at birdfeeders.

• American Goldfinches finish nesting late this month.

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For fun activities for kids visit our Pathways To Nature for Kids site: ww.pathwaysforkids.cor



It's Time to Enjoy More Hummingbirds

Watch your hummingbird feeders this month and you'll witness one of the greater spectacles in the hobby of backyard bird feeding. Adult hummingbirds are now joined by a horde of newly fledged juveniles in a migratory eating binge that only occurs at this time of year.

Make the most of this opportunity with our Wild Birds Unlimited Hummingbird Feeders. Featuring ports that are above the nectar reservoir, our specially-designed, tray-style hummingbird feeders are the best on the market for several reasons:

- No leaking.
- Because the feeders do not leak, there are fewer bothersome yellow-jackets.
- No ants (built-in ant moat).
- Best visibility you can see all the birds feeding at one time.
- · Birds can feed while hovering or perched.
- The perches encourage birds to rest, giving you a longer viewing time.

For the best view of your hummingbird feeders, consider the following:

- Hang your hummingbird feeder from an Advanced Pole System® (APS) Decorative Branch Perch that is mounted to a new or existing bird feeding station.
- Place your feeders in a flower garden, near a window or other place in your yard using the lightweight Hummingbird Crook Pole.
- · For the closest view, use the WBU Decorative Window Hummingbird Feeder.



APS Decorative Branch Perch with Hummingbird Feeder



Hummingbird Crook Arm with Feeder

Decorative Window

Hummingbird Feeder

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However, as entertaining as it is for us, water (or the lack thereof) can be deadly serious for birds. Birds must be ready to fly at all times, and bathing is a critical part of feather maintenance and staying in top-flight condition. Water is also vitally important when it's extremely hot and a bird's ability to regulate its body temperature can become stressed. Birds do not sweat and must remove excess body heat through their respiratory system. So



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Dear Friend of Nature.

During the hot and often dry conditions that make up the "dog days of summer," you will be doing yourself and your birds a big favor by providing them with a reliable source of water.

Water is very important to birds. Whether they are feeder visitors or not, birds need water. Offering a dependable source of water is probably the simplest and most important step you can take to greatly increase the variety of birds in your yard.

It can also significantly increase your enjoyment of your birds by allowing you to watch their often comical antics as they drink, bathe and preen.

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It's Time to Provide Water

when temperatures rise, a bird's respiration rate increases, sometimes to the point that it can be seen panting like a dog. This activity dehydrates birds and increases their need for a reliable source of water to replace lost fluids.

So, while the addition of a bird bath, fountain or mister to your yard can supply hours of enjoyable bird watching entertainment for you, it may also be providing a lifesaving necessity.

John and Kathy, Store Owners

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