

Steller's Jay



Food: To attract Steller's Jays to your feeders, put out food with peanuts or other large seeds and nuts as well as suet.

Backyard Tips: If you see jays hogging your feeders and taking large numbers of seeds, they may be carrying some away to store in a cache to help them get through the winter.

Food: The Dark-Eyed Junco will feed from most any type of berry or small seed mix. In the summer, they forage in your yard for insects.

Backyard tips: These are the most common sighted bird at feeders. They prefer open, partially wooded areas with understory for cover. They spend most of their time foraging on the ground.



Dark-Eyed Junco



Food: Provide food with large seeds like sunflower and peanuts, as well as suet and peanut butter.

Backyard tips: Pygmy Nuthatches are cavity-nesters. They may nest in coniferous trees in your yard or artificial nest boxes, but usually they excavate their own cavities.

Pygmy Nuthatch

Food: Suet and sunflower or peanut butter mixes, as well as other foods with larger seeds.

Backyard tips: White-breasted Nuthatches are common feeder birds. They also take well to nesting boxes.



White breasted Nuthatch



Robin

Food: Mainly berries, supplemented by insects and worms. Any bird food with berries will attract the robin in the winter.

Backyard tips: Provide food with lots of berries, or fresh berries in the winter. In the summer, they love suburban homes with lush lawns where they can hunt for earthworms.

Food: Any food blends containing berries will attract the Western Blue Bird. In the summer, they will feed on mistletoe berries and grapes, as well as insects.

Backyard tips: Western Bluebirds prefer open forest areas, but may take to nest boxes.

Western Blue Bird





Acorn Woodpecker

Food: Northern Flicker will feed happily from feeding trays, enjoying foods with peanut butter and/or raisins. They also eat suet. Hairy Woodpeckers will be attracted by suet, peanut, and black oil sunflower feeders.

Backyard tips: You may not attract the Acorn Woodpecker, but the Northern Flicker and Hairy Woodpecker are common feeder birds. Hairy

Woodpeckers may make a home out of a dead tree or part of a tree.



Northern Flicker



Mountain Chickadee

Food: Provide black oil sunflower seeds year-round, and supplement with suet and peanut butter in the winter.

Backyard tips: These birds come eagerly to feeders. They will often disregard millet in feeder mixes.

Food: Fill feeders with small, black oil sunflower seed. **Backyard tips:** House finches collect at feeders, and once they discover yours, may bring flocks of 50 or more birds with them!

House Finch

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Food: Provide foods with smaller seeds; such as Gourmet Wild Bird Food.

Backyard tips: These beautiful birds are easy to attract and easy to please; but do leave a "mess" behind! Be careful not to keep a bird bath beneath the goldfinch feeder because it will become contaminated.

Lesser Goldfinch

Food: Common feeder birds, Scrub Jay's prefer sunflower seeds and peanuts in their food.

Backyard tips: If you have dense shrubs or small trees in your yard, they may build a nest.



Scrub Jay



Pinyon Jay

Food: Provide foods with lots of berries to attract the pinyon jay. They are specialized for feeding on pine seeds, which will keep them full through the summer. They may also eat juniper and other wild berries.

Backyard tips: These jays will hide their seeds in the summer, and have such a good memory that they will be able to find their stash, even through snow!