



LIVING WITH HUMMINGBIRDS

You can take a few simple actions to create a safe home for hummingbirds.

- Plant a variety of native, colorful, nectar-rich flowers on your patio, in your back garden or on your apartment balcony.
- Add high perches for the birds to rest on and shrubs to serve as cover for nesting and protection from the weather.
- Install a moving water feature.
- Install a pond.
- Reduce window collisions by making glass more visible to the birds.
- Hang a feeder filled with sugar water (1/4 cup white sugar dissolved in 1 cup boiled water). Be sure it's hung high enough to be safe from cats. Feeders must be hand washed in hot water (with a small amount of vinegar in the water) and refilled every two to three days. Use a feeder heater in the winter, as hummingbirds depend on your feeder when it gets cold.



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