

Attract Hummingbirds With Nectar



Hummingbirds are truly some of the most amazing creatures on the planet. Individually, they are the smallest of all birds, and yet, with over 320 species, they are the second largest family of birds in the world.

Hummingbirds differ from other birds in a variety of ways. They have weak feet and legs that are used more for perching than walking. They are most comfortable in the air, and they are capable of hovering as well as flying up, down, forward and backward.



These tiny birds use so much energy flying that they can eat double their weight in nectar and insects each day.

Despite popular belief, hummingbirds do not suck up nectar with their bills. They actually lap it up with their tongues. While dipping their grooved tongues into nectar sources at up to 12 times a second, the nectar is drawn up and into their mouth each and every time.

You can help them keep their energy level up and attract them to your garden by offering them a nectar solution.

Create Your Own Nectar Solution

- Mix four parts water and one part ordinary table sugar to create the perfect nectar solution. *Example: (4 cups of water, 1 cup of sugar)*
- Change the nectar and wash your feeder in hot water every three to four days (more often in hot weather). If you have a WBU Hummingbird Feeder, simply place it in the top drawer of your dishwasher for easy cleaning.
- If you plan to store nectar in the refrigerator, boil the water first before creating and storing your nectar solution.
- Never add red food coloring, honey or artificial sweeteners to the solution.

These birds are quite bold, too, so place your feeder close to the house so you can catch all the action!

For more information, talk to one of our
Certified Bird Feeding Specialists

