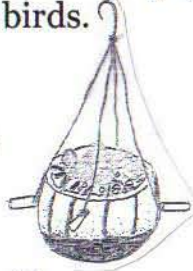


Gourd Baskets

Cut a gourd in half and make four equidistant holes in the sides. Push dowels through the holes to create perches for the birds.

Use medium gauge florist wire to hang the gourd from a tree.

Fill the basket with your favorite bird seed.



Orange Cups

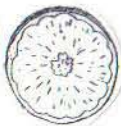


Cut oranges in half, remove the juice and pulp. Make three holes around the edge of each orange half. Tie a 10-12" piece of raffia through each hole. Tie the three

loose ends of raffia together, leaving no more than five inches for hanging purposes. Make a small hole at the bottom of the orange cup for drainage. Fill the cup with your favorite birdseed mixture and hang outside for your feathered friends to enjoy during the cold winter months!

Fruit Slices

Using a sharp knife, slice oranges, lemons and apples into 1/2 inch circles. Make a hanger by tying raffia or wire through the middle of each slice.



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Birdy Bagels

Split a bagel in half and make a hanger by tying ribbon or raffia through the bagel hole. Spread peanut butter onto the flat side of the bagel and dip it into a birdseed mixture.



Cranberry Wreath



Using a medium gauge florist wire, bend one inch of the end into an "L" shape. Begin stringing cranberries onto the wire, leaving one inch at the top.

Twist both ends together, forming a circle. Finish it off with a raffia bow. Hang outside and watch the winter birds enjoy this sweet treat! This also works well with peanuts.

Pine Cone Feeder

Tie raffia or string around the top of a pinecone to use as a hanger. Mix together two parts peanut butter and one part cornmeal. Using a small popsicle stick, pack the peanut butter mixture into the pine cone openings. Leave some portions of the pinecones exposed for the birds to perch on while feeding. Sprinkle the pine cone with birdseed mixture.



Raffia Bows

Add color to your wildlife ornaments by finishing them off with a raffia bow. After the birds nibble on the fruit and seeds, they can use the raffia bows to help build their nests through winter!

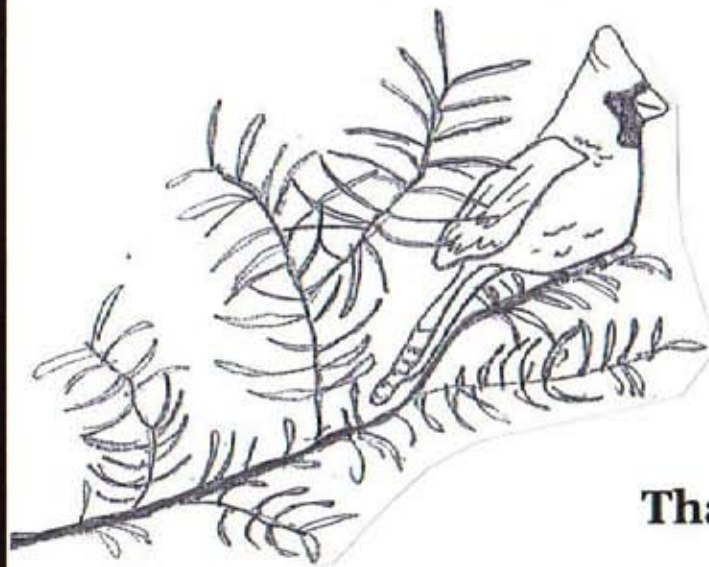


Dried Flower Bunches

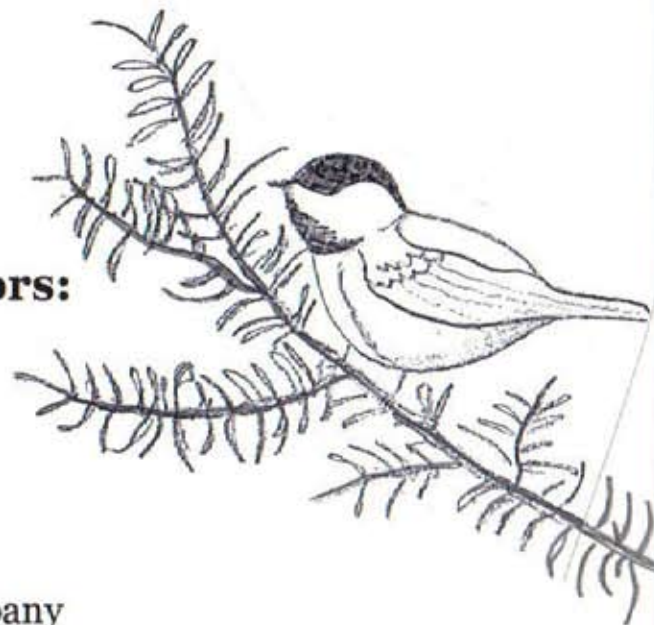
Most of the birds we see in winter are seed eaters. Grasses and dried flowers have just finished their yearly production of seeds, adding to the natural attraction for winter wildlife. Gather bunches of goldenrod and cluster them together using medium gauge florist wire. This adds texture to your trees in the winter as well as provides a seed source for winter birds.



Birds attracted to Lauritzen Gardens' Wildlife Tree



American Crow
American Goldfinch
Black-capped Chickadee
Blue Jay
Dark-eyed Junco
Field Sparrow
Mourning Dove
Northern Cardinal
Tufted Titmouse
White-breasted Nuthatch
Wild Turkey



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