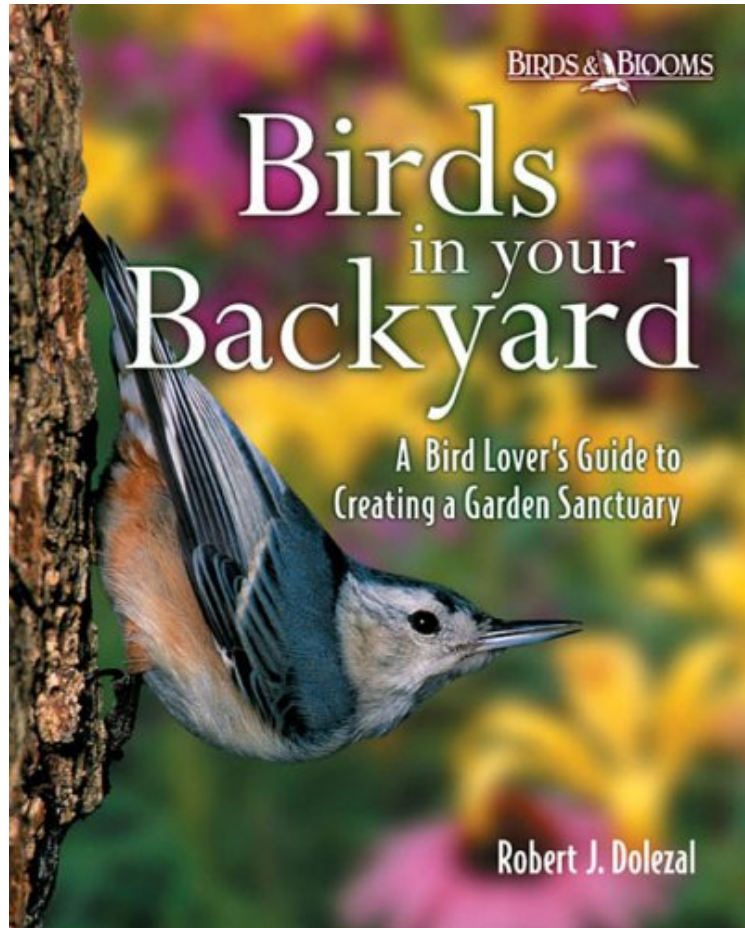


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Robert Dolezal : Birds in Your Backyard before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Birds in Your Backyard:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent Reference Book to Keep By Ronda Tutt Excellent book of information. The photo illustrations are so beautiful and the ideas and projects are explained in simple terms with show step by step instructions. In the Contents you get. 1. Rewards of Backyard Birds - a well round of information discussing helping nature, benefiting the birds, helping the gardner, habitats in Home gardens, woodland and shrub habitats, waterside and river habitats, flower and nectar habitats, prairie, meadow, and grassland habitats, Ecosystems and habitats, Masterworks of adaptation, specialization, and back yard habitats. 2. Creating Bird Gardens in Home Landscapes - explains how to choose the right place for your plants and features with the appropriate feeders/houses along with perches and different types of shelters. Talks about providing protection from predators and different types of water features. 3. Bird Gardens at Home - Shows several types of functional birdhouses and feeders. Also it illustrates with photos and instructions on how to build/construct not one but 22 different types of bird houses. And, it

even illustrates with instructions and photos how to construct bird baths, water fountains, and ponds. I was really impressed with the different ideas, they look really simple to do. 4. Plantscapes to attract birds - shows different photos of plants that can provide birds with food and plants to draw butterflies too. Also plants that provide support for nesting material. And it discusses feeder care to keep from spreading disease. Planting arrangements and different types of fertilizers are touched on a little. 5. Feed and Seed - Gives examples of natural and artificial bird feed. illustrates how easy it is to grow your own birdseed. Cleaning and keeping feeders clean and overcoming feeder pest and problems are discussed as well. 6. Bird Watching - Observing and Recognizing birds - their size, color, body shape, flight manner, bill, tail, and manners are all discussed. their territory and mating rituals, nesting and shelter, and migration are touched upon by recognizing their range, song, and species. Recommendations for different types of equipment to use when birdwatching. 7. Field Guide to Back Yard Birds - pgs 163 through 229 illustrates photos of the different types of birds found in back yards all over the country. Absolutely beautiful photos and interesting information. For example: Greater Roadrunner - Length: 20" - 24" (50-60 cm) What to Look for: large size, long tail; rough chest; patch of red and pale blue behind eye; runs rapidly but seldom flies. Habitat: deserts, semi-arid areas with scattered brush and trees. The roadrunner is really a large ground-dwelling cuckoo, although it neither looks nor behaves like a cuckoo. This long-tailed, long legged bird is very agile and fast on its feet; one was clocked at 15 miles (24 km) an hour. the roadrunner is known to feed on snakes-poisonous or otherwise-and lizards. It also eats scorpions, spiders, grasshoppers, crickets, small mammals, birds' eggs, and even small birds that it catches in flight by leaping into the air and snatching them with its bill. the roadrunner is not a quiet bird. It crows and chuckles. It rolls its mandibles together, producing a clacking sound. And mostly it coos like a dove-a most unusual cuckoo altogether. 8. Plants that attract Birds - pg 230 to 259 illustrates with photos and discription of plants/shrubs. Ends with Index. Excellent Book - a keeper! 10 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Kathleen M. Sedlak Excellent book and transaction! 10 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I bought this book for my nephew who is 6 ... By Customer I bought this book for my nephew who is 6 and he loves this book and the different kinds of bird feeders

Birds are among the most beautiful and intriguing of all living creatures. In fact, it is estimated that more than 70 million Americans are birdwatchers-a huge, growing market tailor-made for attracting, feeding, protecting, and enjoying the many varieties of North American birds. For bird lovers, gardeners, and do-it-yourselfers alike-this comprehensive and richly illustrated volume, together with a little careful planning and planting, will turn your yard into a bird and butterfly oasis.

From Publishers Weekly Would-be birders get solid know-how in this ambitious guidebook for creating a backyard bird garden. Bird-watching, says Dolezal, opens us to "worlds often seen but too seldom appreciated" with our continent's 600-plus varieties alone offering an array of colors, shapes, sounds, plumage and personalities. Furthermore, building suitable habitats for birds with mixtures of trees, shrubs, fountains and feeders is a way to combat the trend of human development driving species like the passenger pigeon and the ivory-billed woodpecker to extinction. Here, Dolezal covers a lot of ground, with tips on landscaping, building birdhouses and growing your own bird seed, along with bird-watching basics. Extended narratives allow for in-depth study, while materials lists and step-by-step diagrams will empower eager do-it-yourselfers. The book's last third is a starter field guide to common North American birds, with each listing accompanied by a map of the bird's typical travel though Dolezal encourages readers to rejoice when they find a bird in the wrong place at the wrong time. The text's organization is sometimes clunky: advice on picking bird-friendly plants appear in three different sections, while similar chapter names ("Creating Bird Gardens in Home Landscapes"; "Bird Gardens at Home") create confusion. But it's a practical, purposeful reference guide with plenty of information that should inspire readers. 600 photos, illus. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.