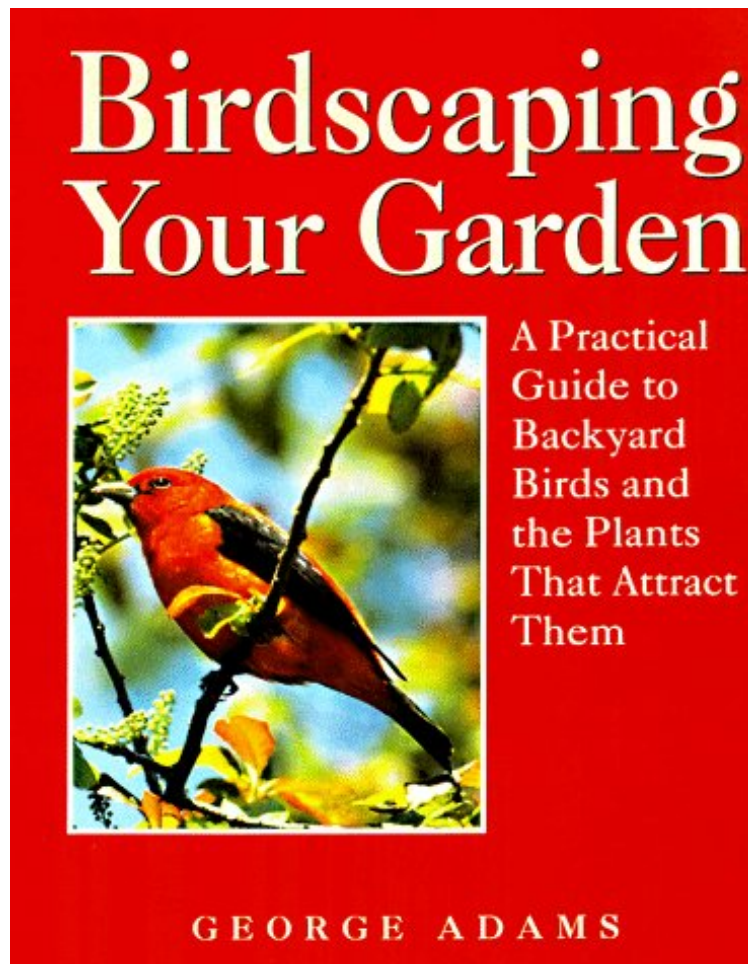


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purchase. It has excellent information that addresses my quest for knowledge about birds habits and eating habits. 13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Great guide By Jessica Ferguson A fabulous book for beginning birders, *Birdscaping your Garden* acts as an all-purpose guide to identification, habitat, and feeding habits. Identification is aided by a short description as well as a black and white sketch and a full-color photo. Each two-page spread discusses one bird with details including migration and winter range, breeding range and behavior, nesting, and a short list of plants to use for bird food. The feeding guide is garden and plant focused (rather than the typical hanging birdfeeder type focus) with the idea of using native plantings to attract and feed birds. Purchased seed options are rarely mentioned. As organized and helpful as the individual page layouts are, the overall organization of the book is lacking. The reader is forced to browse through all 64 birds in the directory section to find what is being sought since the birds are not listed in any particular order. The book's lack of regional focus is also limiting and reduces the number of relevant entries to about 30 if you live in New Jersey, for example. The final section of the book is a plant directory which is organized alphabetically by scientific name. The section includes photos and general cultural guidelines for plants that will shelter and feed the birds previously discussed. A list of "Birds Attracted" within the individual plant descriptions is a nice cross-reference with the bird directory section. The dichotomy of the book should not put you off - it is clearly written and useful despite its overall lack of organization. There is no doubt it is valuable for creating a native, bird-friendly garden.

This guide shows how an ordinary yard can become a wonderland of songbirds by simply adding colorful native plants designed to attract many varieties of birds. 120 color photos 60 illustrations.

From Booklist Cover, shelter, nesting sites, food, and water are the five basic things that birds need. *Birdscaping* tells how to provide them in your yard. A directory lists 64 species of birds, including woodpeckers, hummingbirds, jays, chickadees, wrens, warblers, finches, and cardinals. Each entry has a photograph of the bird and one of Adams' drawings of the bird in a favorite native plant (a summer tanager nesting in a flowering dogwood, for example). Each entry also includes the bird's description, habits, and song, its preferred habitat, breeding behavior, nesting style, and diet. A range map is provided, along with data on the bird's breeding, migration, and winter ranges. There is also a list of plants that provide food and shelter for the bird. A separate plant directory gives more general information on 100 trees, shrubs, annuals, perennials, vines, and grasses that attract birds. The section "Growing Native Plants" covers such basics as soil care, planting, propagation, watering, mulching, fertilizing, and pest and disease control. This valuable guide will help turn any yard into a sanctuary for a variety of birds. George Cohen