

BIRDS IN THE GARDEN

Remember our feathered friends during these cold days—they get hungry, too! Here is an easy wild bird treat: Cream 1 cup peanut butter with 1 cup shortening. Add in 1 cup all purpose flour and 4 cups plain oatmeal. Roll into balls or spread the mixture on pine cones and place in or around your trees or where the birds come for food.

Surprised to see the red red robins just bob-bob-bobbin' along your lawn? Many stick around because our winters have grown milder. Scatter fresh or frozen fruit or berries for them. Many animals don't survive due to dehydration rather than starvation, so if possible, keep fresh water available.

*A bird does not sing because it has an answer.
It sings because it has a song.*

—Chinese Proverb

*Use what talent you possess:
the woods would be very silent
if no birds sang except those that sang best.*

—Author unknown

*From December to March, there are for many of us three gardens -
the garden outdoors, the garden of pots and bowls in the house,
and the garden of the mind's eye.*

- Katherine S. White

