

Dear Friend of Nature:

Feeding the birds and wildlife in your yard can sometimes bring unexpected visitors, including hawks. Here are the two most common hawks to visit backyards, some tips to tell them apart and how to deter them.

## Cooper's Hawk

- Crow-sized, about 16½" (42 cm) from head to tail
- A little taller than a WBU Medium Seed Tube Feeder 14½" (37 cm)
  - The tail reaches well below the wing tips while perched
  - Three or four broad bands of dark gray on the tail
  - Pursue prey like a fighter pilot



Coopers Hawk

## Red-tailed Hawk

- About 19" (48 cm) tall from head to tail
- About the height of a WBU Large Seed Tube Feeder 19" (48 cm)
- The tips of the wings just about reach the tip of the tail while perched
- Adults have a red tail, juveniles have a brown tail with narrow bands
- Pursue prey like a big bomber plane



Red-tailed Hawk

## Protecting Against Hawks

Make sure your feeders and baths are located where there is ample natural protection. Nearby evergreen shrubs, bushes, trees or a brush pile will provide birds with an easy escape when they are threatened by a hawk or other predator.

When hawks start hunting in your backyard, take your feeders down for a few days. The hawk should go elsewhere for food and will hopefully find a new location for hunting and not return. Your songbirds will leave while the feeders are down, but will return once you replace them.

Federal and state laws prohibit the harassment or harming of hawks and owls, so any action that may endanger the hawks is not an option.

We hope you enjoy this fun and rewarding time of year when parents bring their babies to your feeders.

**Don't Forget to Sign up for  
Scott Craven's Seminar  
Backyard Critters  
July 15th, 10:00 am at WBU  
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Happy Birding!

Bob and Jan Ross

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**Store Seed in Galvanized Cans**

(to store seed out of your hot garage)

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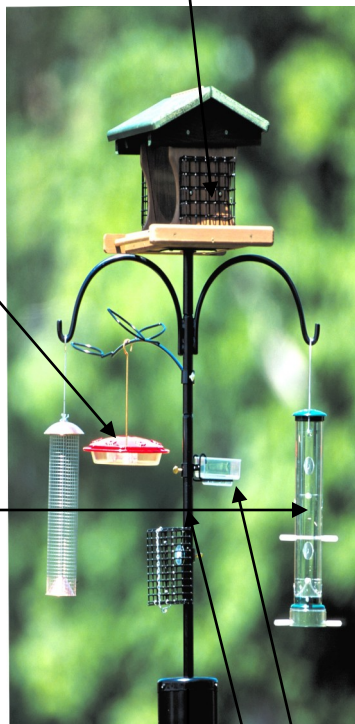


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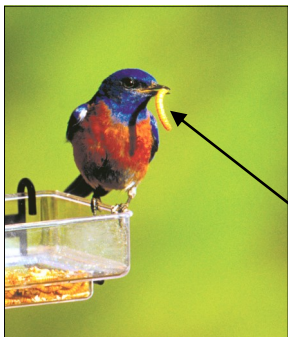
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Call now to sign up for the July Seminar:  
Scott Craven talks about *Backyard Critters*  
Saturday, July 15th, 10:00 am**



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