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# My Bird Journal

by: \_\_\_\_\_

# American Goldfinch



**Food to offer:** nyjer thistle seed, sunflower seed

**Nesting material to offer:** cotton

**Nesting facts:** The nest takes 6 days to build. The female lays 2-7 eggs. The chicks hatch in 12-14 days.

**Cool fact:** The American Goldfinch weaves its nest so tight it can hold water.

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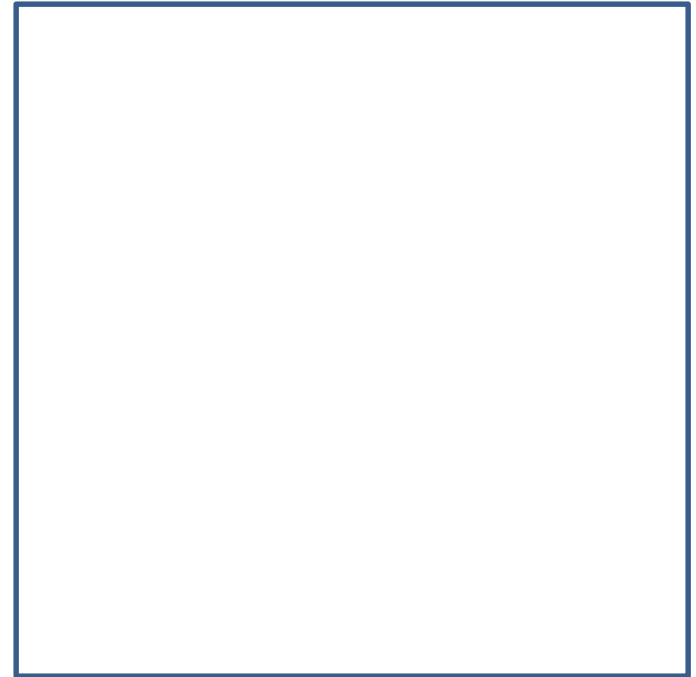
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## Cardinal



**Food to offer:** millet, sunflower seeds, cracked corn, fruit

**Nesting material to offer:** small twigs, pine needles, grass clippings

**Nesting facts:** Male brings nesting material to female, who does most of the building. The nest takes 3-9 days to build. The female lays 2-5 eggs. The chicks hatch in 11-13 days.

**Cool fact:** The Northern Cardinal is the state bird for 7 states (Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia).

# American Robin



**Food to offer:** mealworms, fruit

**Nesting material to offer:** pan of mud, short strings, dry grasses

**Nesting facts:** The female builds most of the nest in about 5-6 days. She lays about 4 eggs. The chicks hatch in 12-14 days.

**Cool fact:** One robin can eat 14 feet of earthworms in a day

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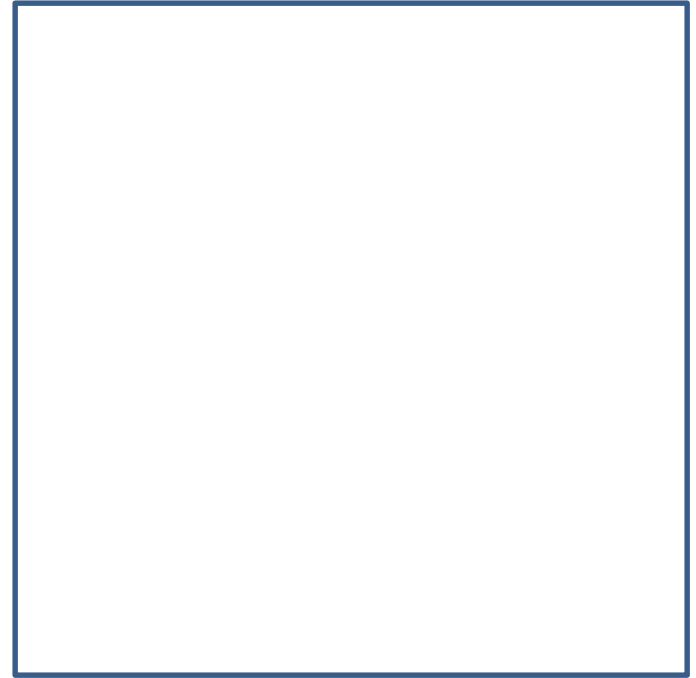
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## Chickadee



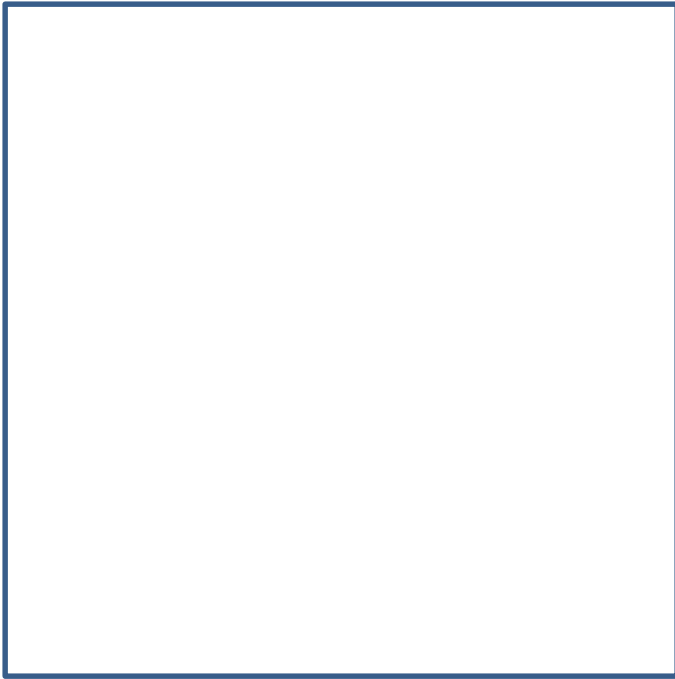
**Food to offer:** sunflower seeds, peanuts, peanut butter, suet

**Nesting material to offer:** wood shavings or sawdust in bird house, pet fur, short strings

**Nesting facts:** Chickadees nest in cavities or nest boxes. The female lays 1-13 eggs. The chicks hatch in 12-13 days.

**Cool fact:** The black-capped chickadee hides seeds and other food to eat later. It can remember thousands of hiding spots.

# Dark-eyed Junco



**Food to offer:** hulled sunflower seeds, cracked corn

**Nesting material to offer:** pine needles, moss, fine twigs, animal fur

**Nesting facts:** The nest takes 3-7 days to build. The female lays 3-6 eggs. The chicks hatch in 12-13 days.

**Cool fact:** This is one of the most common North American birds. The current population is estimated at 630 million.

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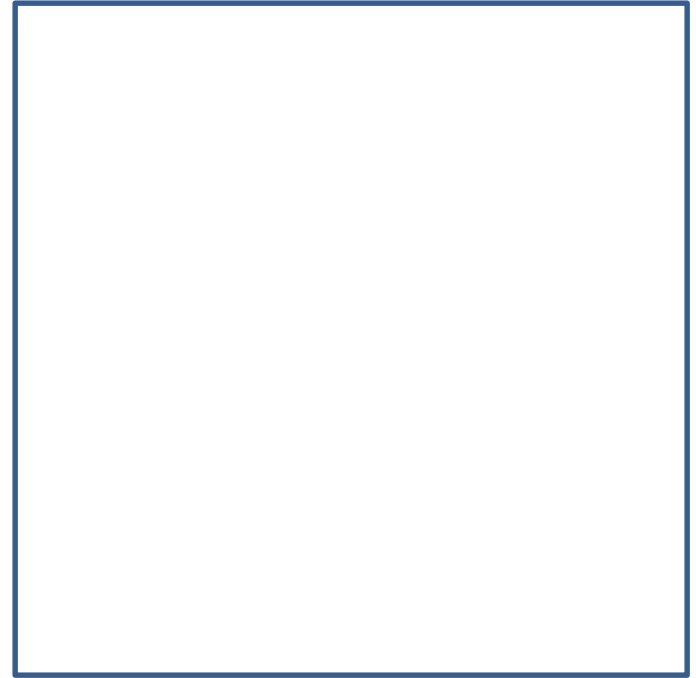
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## House Wren



**Food to offer:** suet, peanut butter, mealworms

**Nesting material to offer:** twigs, feathers, grasses, animal hair, string

**Nesting facts:** The female lays 3-10 eggs. The chicks hatch in 9-16 days.

**Cool fact:** A house wren weighs about as much as 2 quarters.

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