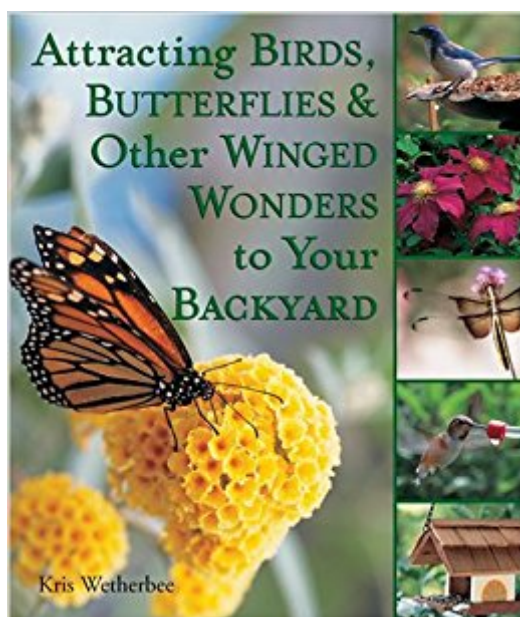


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Attracting Birds, Butterflies & Other Winged Wonders To Your Backyard



Synopsis

Any garden can become a more beautiful and welcoming haven for winged wildlife with the extensive information and 30 projects found within these attractive pages. Birds, butterflies, and dragonflies will come flocking to the yard when gardeners follow the advice on adding plants, water features, and other creature comforts to the landscape. Supplemental charts detail the plants' key characteristics, and there are sample plans for designing lovely hummingbird, songbird, and butterfly gardens.

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Customer Reviews

Starred Review The Wetherbees' well-illustrated guide will help novices develop wildlife gardens that range from relatively easy start-ups such as container planting all the way to planned wildlife sanctuaries. The basics of creating a welcoming wildlife habitat, after all, are the same, whether large or small in scope: food, fresh water, protective cover, and cozy shelter. All-weather shelter and plentiful year-round food are most likely to entice winged creatures to visit, even to stay and nest. Trees and shrubs are major players, serving as host plants to butterflies and moths as well as shelters, nesting sites, and sources of materials and edibles, and their selection and planting techniques are clearly demonstrated. Vital additions of grasses, ground covers, vines, bug baths, and birdbaths can be used to build miniature backyard wetlands. The authors also present detailed directions for building nest shelves and boxes, and illustrated wildlife profiles, in this essential, attractive, and delightful resource. Whitney Scott
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This book lays out topics that must be considered when trying to entice winged wonders to your backyard. It's a reasonably fun read and the pictures are reasonably nice. The authors are a husband and wife team who have made their 40 acres inviting to winged wildlife and have clearly enjoyed both the process and the result. That said, you can find more and better information on the internet. As an example, of the two pages on attracting hummingbirds, all but two paragraphs are devoted to how to make your own hummingbird feeder. Or you could just buy a hummingbird feeder (I recommend the Aspects Hummzinger High-View, but you can get cheap feeders for a dollar). And yes, adding flowers to your garden will help even more; this book mentions a few. There are other interesting projects that might be fun, but I wish I had checked this book out of the local library instead of buying it.

Our library actually has this wonderful book; however I could never find it in. My librarian said that particular book had a list that you could sign on to for your turn and they would call me. I decided to get my very own. Keep that knowledge close, I'm still reading and learning and don't want to share yet.

I found lots of great ideas for projects that will attract birds and butterflies to my yard. Some require a bit of planning others show ways to use everyday items, in new ways. I am pleased with the content and the book has good pictures!

This information is very important to the future of our pollinators as well as to the health and future of ourselves.

I purchased 2 books and am looking forward to giving them as gifts at Christmas. They are wonderful. Great pictures, great info, great quality and great idea's. I'm real happy with them.

This is a beautiful book which can be enjoyed on many levels. It reads like both a how to book as well as a tale of a gardener transforming spaces into gardens that attract birds and butterflies. The photographs are so wonderful you could spend hours without touching that spade. I was so inspired, and you probably will be as well, I was correcting how I had pruned large plantings and trees to invite more creatures. In the first season we were rewarded with two bird nests. The book is also a

good reference with guidance and information about what plantings to consider in your region and with your soil. There are also many suggestions for container gardens. Our trips to the garden store were better informed and more rewarding. In the final chapters is a bird, butterfly, moth and dragonfly guide to help identify your new visitors. If only they would stay put long enough to get the book out.

Kris and Rick Weatherbee have combined their talents to produce a colorful book of practical plans and ideas to incorporate winged wonders into your own yard. The book invites the reader into many gardens where it is soon evident that naturescaping can be possible for anyone. The practical plans allow the reader to easily construct projects that will attract winged wonders. The surprise insets offer interesting facts about nature's flighty friends. The Wildlife Profiles at the end of the book give necessary information to identify the winged population your new garden attracts. Suggestions are made for tree, shrub, perennial, and annual plantings to create that special naturescape plan. To sum it up, this essential gardening book is a combination of colorful landscape examples, how-to-building projects, and researched information about butterflies, birds, plants, and much more.

Author Kris Wetherbee and Husband/Photographer Rick Wetherbee have combined the very best in subject, talent and creativity to develop a "must read" on nurturing nature in our back yards that is sure to be a best seller. Informative and entertaining to both novice and master gardener alike, Kris' simple yet thorough "three year plan" for attracting and keeping specific "Winged Wonders" in the garden, is genius. Likewise Rick's spectacular photography abundantly displayed, exemplifies the breathtaking beauty of various "creatures of flight" and the many simple and natural ways they can be nurtured, enhanced and enjoyed year round. Kris and Rick Wetherbee have combined powerful talents to create an essential guide and referential "must have" for all who love nature.

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