



## Other Songbird Activities

### A. Birdhouses:

1. Very young children: decorate a pre-made birdhouse
2. Young children: assemble a craft-store birdhouse kit
3. Older children: build a birdhouse from a plan from <http://www.audubon.org/educate/expert/birdhouse.php>



### B. Birdbaths:

1. Younger children: place a plant saucer on the ground or a stump and fill with water
2. Older children: make a mosaic birdbath with ready-mix, sanded concrete, using large plant saucer lined with plastic wrap for a mold. Press tiles, stones, etc into damp concrete. Use a stump for the base

### C. Bird Gardens:

1. Very young children: plant a seed-bearing flower (black-eyed Susan, purple coneflower, largeflower coreopsis, zinnia, cosmos, or sunflower)
2. Young children: dig a hole and plant a shrub that provides seeds, berries, or shelter
3. Older children: plan a songbird garden with plants recommended at [http://www.audubon.org/bird/at\\_home/Plants.html](http://www.audubon.org/bird/at_home/Plants.html)

### D. Go on a birding hike at a local park or wildlife preserve

### E. Read books on birds at the school or township library

### F. Read about songbirds on websites such as

1. The National Audubon Society ([www.audubon.org](http://www.audubon.org))
2. The National Wildlife Federation ([www.nwf.org](http://www.nwf.org))
3. Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology ([www.birds.cornell.edu](http://www.birds.cornell.edu))

