

BIRD FEEDERS

5 TIPS ON KEEPING RODENTS AWAY

Protect Feeder from Above

Rodents are good climbers and can access feeders from above. Place feeder away from trees and overhangs. If you must attach to a tree, install a baffle above it.

Protect Food Supply

Store seeds in containers rather than bags so rats do not have easy access. Metal or glass containers are the best choice.

Peppermint/Spices

Unlike humans, birds are not affected by spice. Rats however dislike spices, so use spices in the bird feed. Rats can also be deterred by peppermint. Use peppermint oil in water to create a spray and spray anywhere you suspect rats.

Protect Feeder from Below

Rodents can jump, so place your feeder at least three feet in the air. Use metal pole rather than wooden one and install baffles.

Keep Ground Clean & Eliminate Ground Cover

Birds are picky eaters and often toss seeds they are not interested in. You can sweep below or use seed catchers. Additionally, make sure growth is trimmed below the feeder.



WHAT'S A BAFFLE?

A baffle is a plastic cone or rod shape that sits on the top or bottom of a bird feeder to deter pests, from squirrels to rats.

