

Jayhawk Audubon Society Fall Bird Seed, Book & Feeder Sale

October 26, 2019 – 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Senior Resource Center, 745 Vermont St., Lawrence, KS

This is the first bird seed sale of the bird-feeding season. Stock up on Audubon bird seed and plan to browse through our curated selection of books, bird feeders, and birding field guides. All proceeds of our bird seed, feeder and book sales, as well as our other fund-raising activities, support the educational and conservation projects of the JAS.

Pre-Orders must be received by, October 22, 2019

Make check payable to: *Jayhawk Audubon Society*. **Return Pre-Order Form by October 22, 2019**

to Linda Lips, P. O. Box 1285, Lawrence, KS 66044-8285.

Call or Text Linda Lips at (785) 766-3567

Pick up your seed on Saturday, October 26, between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at the Senior Resource Center located at 745 Vermont Street. We can take check, cash or credit cards at the sale.

Wondering who eats what?? Here's a guide to birdy preferences:

Black Oil Sunflower Seeds are the favorite with wild birds. Over 40 different bird species are known to eat black oil sunflower seeds. The oil content (over 40%) makes this seed especially good food for birds. They should be the primary component of any bird feeding project, comprising at least 75% of the seeds you offer the birds.

Premium Blend is our mixture of 45% black oil sunflower, 45% safflower, and 10% sunflower chips, which is very popular with a large number of bird species. **Economy Blend** is less expensive but still attracts many species. It is our mixture of 20% black oil sunflower seed, 40% cracked corn, and 40% white millet.

Niger Thistle and **Sunflower Seed Chips** are both attractive to finches and pine siskins. Both are excellent for finch feeders.

Finch Mix is an option for finch feeders. It consists of 50% Niger thistle and 50% sunflower seed chips.

Safflower has become a popular bird food because it is excellent for cardinals, rose-breasted grosbeaks, mourning doves, chickadees, nuthatches, house finches and white-throated sparrows. House sparrows and starlings don't seem to like it though! Even squirrels usually turn down safflower seeds.

White and Red Millet attract wild birds like bobwhites, cardinals, doves, purple finches, juncos, towhees, and native sparrows (i.e. chipping, fox, song, tree, white-throated), turkeys, grackles, blue jays and pheasants. Millet can be scattered on the ground or offered in cylindrical or tray feeders near the ground.

Suet is chopped or ground animal fat (generally beef) that may be mixed with birdseed and/or peanut butter. Woodpeckers, chickadees, brown creepers, and nuthatches (among other birds) particularly enjoy suet. Suet is generally only offered during the winter because it will melt and quickly turn rancid in temperatures above 70°F.

Peanuts are popular with many of the birds that eat black oil sunflower seeds. Special feeders may be required.

Cracked Corn is eaten by many of the birds listed above, including some "undesirables" such as house sparrows, brown-headed cowbirds, and starlings. It can be mixed with white millet and scattered on the ground during fall and spring for feeding migrant sparrows, juncos and other ground-feeding birds.

