Most of the birds that regularly visit feeding stations are somewhat opportunistic feeders. This means that while they may prefer certain seeds or other foods, they will eat less preferred items in the absence of their preferred foods. However, because of their ability to move freely from one feeder to another in a neighborhood, the birds will usually spend more time and occur in greater numbers at feeders stocked with their preferred foods.

Although it is not possible to create blends of seeds to attract only a certain species or to exclude another species, having a mix with the seeds appealing to the birds you hope to attract is important. All birds and wildlife must eat. However, whether they eat at your feeder is, to some degree, controllable. For example, while breads and other pastry products can be used to supplement your seed mixes, they should be crumbled into fine pieces to avoid attracting the American Crow and European Starling. On the other hand, larger pieces of bread and food scraps may be used to attract crows and starlings, as well as raccoons, opossums, and the like. It depends upon what you enjoy.

Listed here are the various seeds that have been included in this year's seed mixes. Bird species which utilize each type of seed are listed. Species with a strong preference for that seed are shown in **BOLD** print with an asterisk. After noting which feeder species favor which seeds, select on the order form those mixes that seem right for your needs. We believe that all of the mixes are very good with minimal waste. Of course, we think “Our Own Mix” is the best!

### BLACK OIL SUNFLOWER
- Black-capped Chickadee
- Evening Grosbeak
- House Finch
- Northern Cardinal
- Purple Finch
- White-breasted Nuthatch
- White-crowned Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow
- Blue Jay
- Dark-eyed Junco
- Goldfinch
- Mourning Dove
- Pine Siskin
- Redpoll
- Song Sparrow
- Tufted Titmouse
- Woodpeckers — most

### STRIPED SUNFLOWER
- **Blue Jay**
- **Red-bellied Woodpecker**
- Black-capped Chickadee
- Evening Grosbeak
- House Finch
- Northern Cardinal
- Purple Finch
- Tufted Titmouse
- White-breasted Nuthatch
- White-crowned Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow

### SUNFLOWER HEARTS
- **Black-capped Chickadee**
- **Pine Siskin**
- Carolina Wren
- Goldfinch
- House Finch
- Mourning Dove
- Northern Cardinal
- White-throated Sparrow

### SAFFLOWER
- **Northern Cardinal**
- Blue Jay
- Black-capped Chickadee
- House Finch
- Mourning Dove
- Red-bellied Woodpecker
- Tufted Titmouse
- White-breasted Nuthatch

### NYJER (THISTLE)
- **Goldfinch**
- **Pine Siskin**
- House Finch
- Purple Finch
- Dark-eyed Junco
- Song Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow

### WHITE MILLET
- **Dark-eyed Junco**
- **House Sparrow**
- **Mourning Dove**
- **Song Sparrow**
- **Tree Sparrow**
- **White-crowned Sparrow**
- **White-throated Sparrow**
- European Starling
- Northern Cardinal
- Pine Siskin

### CRACKED CORN
- **European Starling**
- **House Sparrow**
- **Mourning Dove**
- **Pheasant**
- American Crow
- Blue Jay
- Brown Thrasher
- Northern Cardinal
- Red-bellied Woodpecker
- Tree Sparrow
- White-throated Sparrow

### PEANUT PIECES
- **Blue Jay**
- Black-capped Chickadee
- Tufted Titmouse
- White-breasted Nuthatch
- Woodpeckers — most