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FEEDING BIRDS IN WINTER

Persons generally interested in nature may well pay particular attention to the small birds that do not migrate, thinks the U. S. Department's Bureau of Biological Survey. In times of excessive cold, sleet, deep snows, and blizzards, upland game birds and many songbirds die, not of cold, but of starvation. Tree-inhabiting species - the downy woodpeckers, nuthatches, and creepers, can be attracted to dooryards and orchards that they would not otherwise visit by means of suet and other food. Chaff, screenings, table scraps, or other waste thrown on the ground or snow will feed many ground-loving species; or scratch feed and other grains and seeds may be provided at little expense.

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