

## PUTTING UP A BIRD FEEDER

Now, when my buddies and I are not on adventures around Eagle Heights Woods, I do love to watch nature around me. One of the best ways to bring nature to you is to put up a bird feeder. It's also a great way to serve those little woodland critters who find it hard to find food in the colder months. By putting it up now, they'll get used to where some great grub is hiding.

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### EARN THIS NUGGET

Hang your bird feeder where you are convinced that it is in the optimum place.

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- Finding the right spot. Birds like to feel safe. So the feeder should be hung in an area where the birds have a clear view over the entire feeding area. They also like to be in the sun if possible, but not in the wind. So if there is a little fence shelter they would like that. As long as it is not too close so cats become a danger.

- Hang it away from trees, bushes, fences, and building. This will help keep squirrels and predators from causing problems for the birds.

- If you are hanging on a tree, you can get a squirrel baffle to prevent the squirrel from climbing down and getting the food.

Or you could even use a free standing pole.

There may not be any 100% perfect spot. But a little experimentation should get the birds fed and transform your yard into a vibrant sanctuary for our little friends.

