



Red Knot Youth Birders Monthly Birding Challenge- February 2021 Backyard Birding: Pick 3!

Feeling a bit isolated with wintery weather and the pandemic? Birding in your backyard is the perfect remedy. Exciting and calming! Easy and fun! **Pick 3** from the list below to try this month!

__ **Set up a viewing station indoors.** Find the best window in your house for backyard bird watching. What's in your view? Stock your viewing space with your birding supplies - ID guide, journal and pen handy. Enjoy spotting winter birds - without the chill!!

__ **Start a February Backyards Birds list:** Keep track of the species, and dates that you see them. Keep your list handy & add to it each day.

__ **Set up a winter bird feeding station OR add to your current feeders.** See the websites below for tips:

Cornell Lab of Ornithology: www.allaboutbirds.org
Wild Birds Unlimited: www.wbu.org

__ **Craft a Gingerbread House for the Birds** or whip up other creative bird treats to enhance your backyard feeders. See www.audubon.org for DIY recipes



__ **Take part in the Great Backyard Bird Count** weekend, Feb. 12 – 15, 2021 and enter your bird sightings as a citizen scientist. See www.birdcount.org for ways to participate.

__ **Take photos of the birds at your feeders or in your yard.** Were you able to get a shot of your favorite woodpecker or cardinal? Share your best shot with someone else who loves birds!

Which 3 did you choose? Happy Backyard Birding in February 2021!