Attract Orioles & Hummingbirds: Top 10 Tips

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The nectar-feeding season is upon us. Hummingbirds and orioles are leaving winter territories and returning to their breeding grounds. Successfully attract them with the following tips:

- Clean, fill, and hang feeders two weeks before anticipated arrival: March or earlier in southern and coastal areas and in mid-April to mid-May in the northern U.S.
- Change nectar every three days in warm weather. Clean your feeder with vinegar water and rinse well with each nectar change. Use brushes on hard-to-reach areas.
- Hang several feeders in your yard to prevent an aggressive bird from monopolizing a single feeder.
- Hang red or orange ribbons on the feeder. Hummingbirds and orioles can see these colors and will find feeders more easily.
- Use a feeder with bee-resistant ports like the HummZinger.
- Use an Ant Moat to deter pesky ants.
 - Use the large-capacity-24 oz Glass Hummingbird Feeder for adequate supply when multiple birds visit.
- Orioles love fresh fruit or jam; serve it in Deluxe Fruit & Jelly Feeder.
- Plant nectar-producing flowering plants, shrubs, and trees in your yard. Try honeysuckle, bleeding heart, petunia, trumpet vine, and more.
- Keep feeders up for two weeks after you see your last visitors. This allows migrating stragglers to stop over at your feeders.



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