Proven Technology

Squirrel Buster Plus™ breaks new ground with design features available for the first time on any bird feeder.

Over a million happy clients (and well-fed birds) confirm that the patented Squirrel Buster™ system is **truly squirrel proof!**

How It Works

Openings in the bottom section of the feeder (shroud) align with seed ports, providing birds access to the seed. When a squirrel climbs onto the feeder, its weight automatically forces the shroud down, closing the seed ports. Squirrels and large birds are foiled but not harmed in any way. See videos at **www.bromebirdcare.com**

All Squirrel Buster™ products are made of rugged UV-filtered ABS and Polycarbonate resins and powder-coated aluminum components. Hangers, springs and fasteners are stainless steel.

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Detachable Component System™

Squirrel Buster Plus™ components are designed to be assembled and dismantled easily by hand, without tools, and to fit into your dishwasher.

A Clean Feeder is a Healthy Feeder

A clean bird feeder is as important to birds as clean dishes are to humans. Grimy bird feeders can be a source of food contamination. Wild birds will naturally avoid spoiled food. A clean bird feeder will attract more wild birds.

With Squirrel Buster Plus™ detachable components it is effortless to provide the birds you love with a safe and healthy feeder. Regular cleaning of your bird feeder is essential and should never be delayed. Spread the word about clean, safe feeders.

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Seed Ventilation System™

Damp and decaying seed decreases bird traffic and can spread disease. Most transparent bird feeder seed tubes trap solar energy just like a greenhouse. Warmer air in Squirrel Buster Plus™ rises and escapes through patented water-proof vents at the top of the feeder. The escaping, heated air is replaced by fresh air entering through the seed ports at the bottom of the tube. The bird seed remains fresh, attracting more birds.

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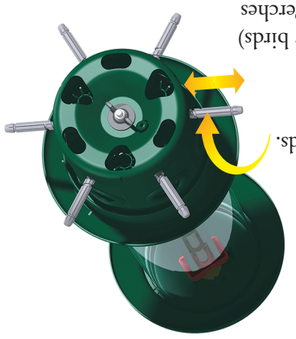
Perching Options

Adjustable Posi-Grip Perch™

Thick, adjustable-length perches with textured surfaces provide a secure and comfortable grip for birds.



Attract small birds such as Chickadees and Finches (while deterring some larger birds) by shortening the perches. Perches can also be extended just enough to attract medium-sized birds including Grosbeaks and Woodpeckers.

Weight Adjustable for Selective Feeding

Adjustable spring mechanism controls how much weight the variable length perches or cardinal ring will support.

Cardinal Ring System™

The Squirrel Buster Plus™ can be used with or without the Cardinal Ring System™, an optional posi-grip ring designed especially for Cardinals.

Cardinals prefer to grip a thick-textured perch and, because it's awkward for them to turn their short necks to feed, they prefer to face their food source directly. The Squirrel Buster Plus™ Cardinal Ring System™ allows Cardinals to eat facing the seed from a secure and comfortable perch.

These Cardinal-friendly feeding features combined with a bush-level location make Squirrel Buster Plus™ very inviting to our scarlet friends.

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Brome Bird Care Legacy Commitment

One of the founding principles of Brome Bird Care is our commitment to reducing the negative impact of human activity on our planet. We achieve that, in large part, by building wild bird feeders that last a very long time, and don't need to be discarded because a single part needs to be replaced. Our commitment is to:

- Design products that are easy for people to maintain and repair.
- Build products that will last a long time by using materials that are tailored to their environment and are not easily damaged or worn out.
- Carry spare parts that are readily available to customers. Should a part wear out or break, it can be replaced and the product does not have to be discarded.
- Reduce the impact on our environment by ensuring that our products are 100% recyclable.
- Offer expert customer service to help owners with any needed maintenance or repairs.

SQUIRREL BUSTER HASSLE-FREE WARRANTY

Your Squirrel Buster Plus™ squirrel proof bird feeder is guaranteed to be free of material or manufacturing defects as long as this product is used according to our instructions. Cosmetic scratches from squirrels or damage from raccoons, bears or other animals are not covered.

Should you have any questions or need help, call customer care at 1-800-856-5685.

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Facts, Figures, & Frequently Asked Questions

Birds By Average Weight

Red-breasted Nuthatch	0.35 oz.	10g	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1.6 oz.	45g
Chickadee	0.4 oz.	11g	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	1.7 oz.	50g
American Goldfinch	0.5 oz.	14g	Red-winged Blackbird	1.9 oz.	52g
Common Redpoll	0.5 oz.	14g	Evening Grosbeak	2.0 oz.	56g
Pine Siskin	0.5 oz.	15g	Northern Cardinal	2.0 oz.	56g
Dark-eyed Junco	0.7 oz.	20g	Hairy Woodpecker	2.3 oz.	66g
Tufted Titmouse	0.7 oz.	20g	European Starling	3.0 oz.	84g
White-breasted Nuthatch	0.7 oz.	20g	Jay	4.0 oz.	112g
House Finch	1.0 oz.	28g	Common Grackle	4.0 oz.	112g
Purple Finch	1.0 oz.	28g	Mourning Dove	4.0 oz.	112g
Sparrow	1.0 oz.	28g	Northern Flicker	4.6 oz.	130g
Downy Woodpecker	1.5 oz.	42g	Domestic Pigeon	9.0 oz.	255g

Squirrels By Average Weight

Douglas Squirrel	5 to 10 oz./140 to 280g	Gray Squirrel	12 to 26 oz./340 to 740g
Red Squirrel	5 to 11 oz./140 to 310g	Fox Squirrel	17 to 37 oz./480 to 1050g

What about raccoons and similar critters?

The Squirrel Buster Peanut +™ feeder is absolutely squirrel proof, but is not designed to deter raccoons or similar critters that can damage the feeder. Often they will drop the feeder to the ground and roll it around to extract the food. This can be minimized by latching your feeder with a snap hook that is tied to a hook or bracket.

What about bears and other larger animals?

Wild bird food is attractive to a wide variety of wild animals. If there is a problem, take your feeder in at night.

How long before birds come to a new feeder?

It could take several weeks for birds to feel comfortable around a new feeder. Birds have to find the feeder by sight and then make sure that it is safe. They are constantly aware of the threat of predators and will take the time to check out the surroundings. Placing the new feeder near bushes or trees will give the birds natural hiding places. To keep food clean and fresh, only fill about half full, until the activity on your feeder increases.

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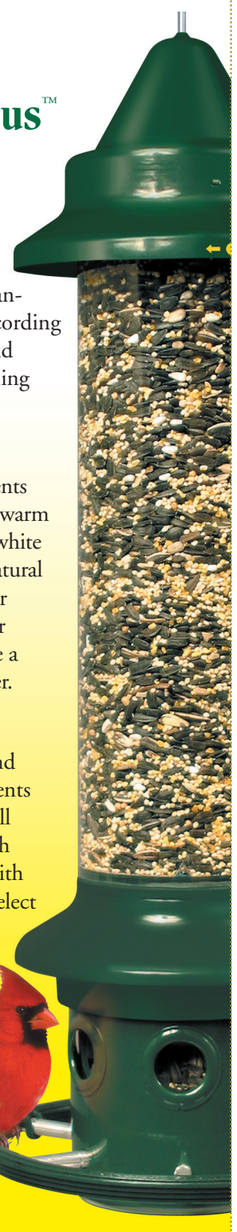
Care of Your Squirrel Buster Plus™



Cleaning Your Feeder

Squirrel Buster Plus™ is designed to be easily dismantled for cleaning. Always examine your feeder before filling to determine if it requires cleaning. Frequency of cleaning varies according to climate. In general, hot and humid climates require more frequent cleaning than colder climates.

Washing by Hand

Wash Squirrel Buster Plus™ components with a solution of dish detergent and warm water. Rinse with a 20% solution of white vinegar and water. Vinegar, a mild, natural disinfectant, will not harm your feeder or the birds. Never use bleach on your Squirrel Buster Plus™ as it could leave a harmful residue or damage your feeder.

Washing by Dishwasher

Remove any accumulation of seed and place the dismantled feeder components on the top rack of the dishwasher. Fill both the pre-wash and the main-wash sections of the detergent dispenser with your regular dishwasher detergent. Select either high temperature drying or an air-dry option. Use your regular washing cycle. Upon completion, your feeder will be sanitized and look like new.

NOTE: Wash feeder apart from dishes. Warning: Bird droppings contain contaminants. Avoid skin contact.

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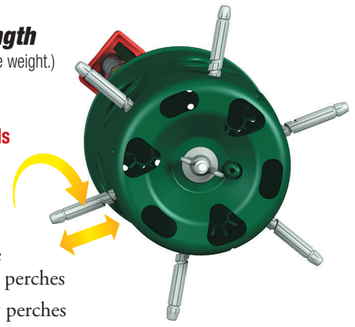
Owner's Guide

1. Adjust perch length
(See list of birds by average weight.)

1.25" for small birds
0.35 oz./10g to 1.0 oz./28g

1.50" for medium birds
1.0 oz./28g to 2.0 oz./56g

1.75" for larger birds
2.0 Oz./56g and more.

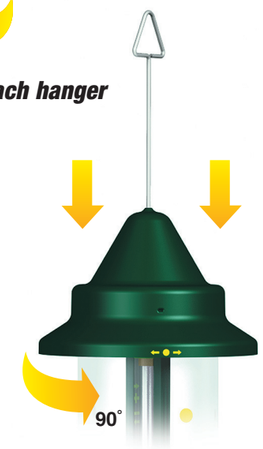


a) Rotate wing nut counter clockwise 2 turns to unlock perches

b) Screw or unscrew perches to desired length.

c) Rotate wing nut clockwise to lock perches in position. Use thumb pressure only – do not force.

2. Attach hanger

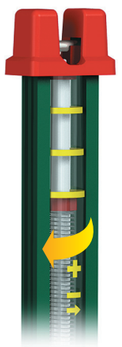


3. Fill your feeder and latch cover

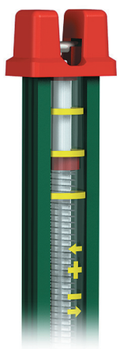
Fill the seed tube with up to 3 quarts/2.8 liters of seed. To close and latch the cover, align one of the dimples on the side of the cover with the yellow dot on the seed tube. Push down and rotate clockwise to the stop.

4. Adjust the closing mechanism

Use the feeder at the factory setting before making any adjustments. The spring is calibrated to hold 3.5 ounces/100 grams. Any additional weight will activate the closing mechanism. Spring strength may vary. Fluctuating temperatures may also affect the performance of the spring mechanism.



To increase the adjustment setting, rotate the transparent cartridge clockwise. The red line will move down from the previous setting. This increases the weight required to close access to the seed.



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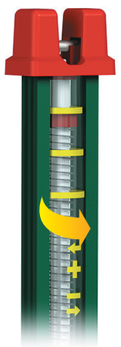
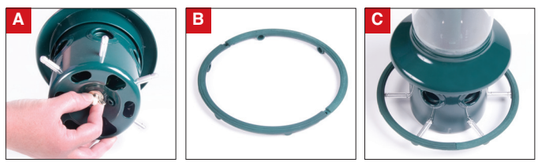


Attaching the Cardinal Ring™



1. Loosen the wing nut located on the bottom of the feeder to unlock the perches (A).
2. Place the feeder in the middle of the assembled Cardinal Ring (B).
3. Screw out two perches that are opposite each other into their perch ports on the inside of the Ring. Make sure the perches are of equal length when in their perch ports.
4. Screw out the additional perches until they fit snugly into their respective perch ports (C).
5. Please remember to **tighten** the wing nut at the bottom of the feeder to lock the perches in place, ensuring that the Cardinal Ring is now securely attached.

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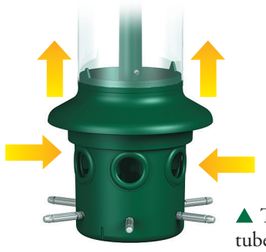
Dismantling Your Feeder for Cleaning

1. Disconnect the hanger from the feeder

2. Disconnect and remove the seed tube

Depress clips located inside the seed ports and push up.



▲ Triangular tabs on tube bottom indicate location of ports and clips

3. Remove skirt component

4. Remove the bottom wing nut

5. Remove the shroud (bottom section)

6. Place all parts on the top rack of dishwasher

Note: The heating element on some dishwashers may be close enough to the bottom rack to damage plastic parts. While all our products are made from components meant to last, Squirrel Buster Plus™ components are not guaranteed against excessive heat. Replacement parts are available at an authorized Squirrel Buster Plus™ dealer or from **www.bromebirdcare.com**

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How to Assemble Your Feeder

1. Insert shroud *(bottom section)* **into center post**

Align the 3 ribs on the shroud hub with the 3 slots inside the center post.

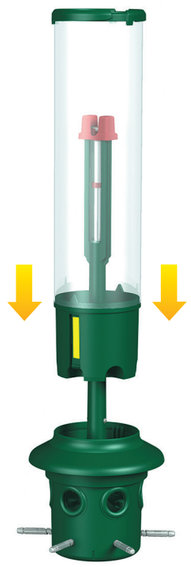
2. Attach wing nut

Use thumb pressure only — do not force.

3. Insert skirt component

4. Insert the seed tube

Align yellow arrows on seed tube with yellow marks on base. Press down gently until the clips snap into place. Test for proper attachment by lifting the feeder by the seed tube.



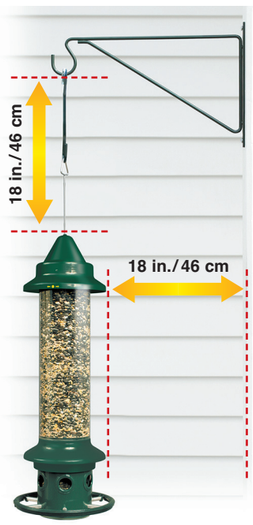
5. Attach and latch hanger cover

Where Do I Locate My Squirrel Buster Plus™?

You can locate this bird feeder anywhere and be squirrel free. Position it to get great close-up views of your favorite birds. Hang your Squirrel Buster Plus™ over a window, in a tree, on a deck, a fence, in your garden, on the side of your house, from a rain trough or over sliding doors.

Use brackets, extension hooks and tree hooks to hang your feeder at the recommended clearance. Hooks and brackets are available at birding stores, garden centers and hardware supply stores.

Squirrel Buster Plus™ prevents squirrels from eating expensive seed, scaring the birds and damaging your feeder. Enjoy being free of squirrel problems, but please remember, squirrels also need to eat. For the price of a few peanuts, or inexpensive cracked corn, squirrels will be happy to entertain.

Clearance

Remember it's a squirrel's weight that triggers the closing mechanism. If squirrels can reach over from a nearby foothold and avoid placing any weight on the feeder, they will be able to access the birdseed. To overcome this problem, the top of the feeder must be 18" from the suspension point and 18" away from any fixed lateral surface. Clearance from the top is important so that squirrels cannot pry off the top of the feeder. Use extension hooks to extend the feeder from its suspension point. This clearance will force squirrels to climb onto the feeder and trigger the closing mechanism.