

As flowers bloom and temperatures rise, spring is the perfect time to help local wildlife safely find food and thrive. Supporting backyard animals is a fun, compassionate way to connect with nature while living out vegan values of kindness toward all creatures.

Put Out Bird Feeders

Hang feeders with seeds like sunflower, millet, or safflower to help returning spring birds refuel after migration. Be sure to clean feeders regularly to prevent disease spread.

Offer Fresh Fruit

Set out small pieces of apple, berries, grapes, or bananas for birds, squirrels, and other curious critters. Avoid overripe or moldy fruit.

Create a Squirrel Snack Spot

Leave unsalted nuts such as walnuts, almonds, pecans, or peanuts in a designated area away from bird feeders to keep squirrels satisfied.

Plant Pollinator-Friendly Flowers

Grow native flowers like coneflowers, lavender, bee balm, or black-eyed Susans to naturally provide nectar for bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds.

Build a Birdbath or Water Station

Fresh water is just as important as food. Place a shallow dish or birdbath outside and refill it often so animals can drink and bathe.

Leave a Natural Garden Corner

Allow part of your yard to remain slightly wild with leaves, sticks, and brush—this provides shelter and natural foraging areas for rabbits, chipmunks, and insects.

Grow Berry Bushes or Seed-Producing Plants

Plants like blueberries, elderberries, and sunflowers provide long-term natural food sources for wildlife throughout the season.

Avoid Processed Human Foods

Bread, chips, crackers, and sugary snacks may harm wildlife, so stick to foods they naturally eat.

