



Mojave Desert Native Plants for Birds

To create a garden that attracts birds, it is important to have a variety of native plants that provide food, nesting sites & materials, and protection from predators (cover). To make your garden bird-friendly, consider adding a source of clean water and avoid using pesticides.

Atriplex canescens—Fourwing saltbush—food, cover

Atriplex lentiformis—Quail bush—food, cover

Atriplex polycarpa—Cattle spinach—food, cover

Bahiopsis parishii—Parish's goldeneye—food

Cercocarpus betuloides—Mountain mahogany—food, cover, nesting

Chilopsis linearis—Desert willow—cover

Cylindropuntia echinocarpa—Silver cholla—cover, nesting

Encelia actoni—Acton encelia—food

Encelia farinosa—Brittlebush—food

Ephedra species—Ephedra—food

Eriogonum fasciculatum var. *polifolium*—Eastern Mojave buckwheat—food

Hesperoyucca whipplei—Chaparral yucca—food

Forestiera pubescens—Desert olive—food, cover, nesting

Parkinsonia florida—Blue palo verde—cover

Peritoma arborea—Bladderpod—food

Prosopis glandulosa, *P. pubescens*—Honey mesquite, screwbean mesquite—cover, nesting

Prunus fasciculata—Desert almond—food, cover, nesting

Prunus ilicifolia—Hollyleaf cherry—food, cover, nesting

Psoralea species—Indigo bush, Smoke tree—cover

Quercus cornelius-mulleri—Desert scrub oak—food, cover, nesting

Rhus ovata—Sugarbush—food, cover, nesting

Rhus aromatica—Basket bush—food, cover

Salvia species—Sage—food

Senegalia greggii—Catclaw—cover

Simmondsia chinensis—Jojoba—food, cover

Sphaeralcea ambigua—Apricot mallow—food

Stipa speciosa—Desert needlegrass—food

Vitis girdiana—Desert wild grape—food

Yucca brevifolia—Joshua tree—food, cover

Yucca schidigera—Mojave yucca—food, cover