Inviting

DESERT FINCHES

to Your Home



Your Yard Is A Good Place For Desert Finches!

- Fearless and friendly: they like human company.
- Garden dwellers: they thrive on seeds and insects.
- Good neighbors: they travel in flocks and settle in at favorite spots, like your garden.

Desert Finches Are Good For Your Yard!

- Easy to please: they eat seeds from feeders, garden plants, and even weeds!
- **Pest control:** they love to eat tiny insects.
- Entertainment: they wear colorful, brightly patterned plumage and are energetic singers and dancers.
- Fellow travelers: both lemon-yellow Lesser Goldfinches and brown with bright red House Finches love the same food sources.



Turn over for a **RECIPE** to bring **LESSER GOLDFINCH** to your yard. Get more information at:

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Recipe for Inviting

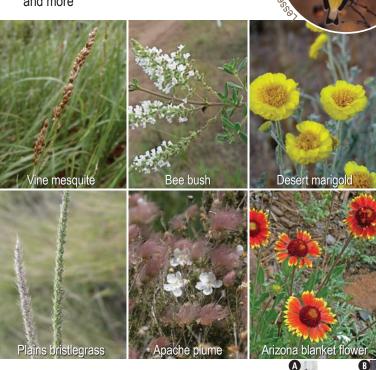
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Ingredients:

- · Trees & shrubs: for perching, cover and shelter
- Water: on-the-move in a fountain or mister
- Thistle feeders: see details below
- Seeds, seeds, seeds: from these plants and more



Directions:

- Layer trees and shrubs with taller plants in back, shorter in front.
- · Grow plants with lots of seeds, even "weedy" ones. Save dead flower heads—don't remove until finches have eaten all the seeds.
- · Avoid pesticides that finches might ingest.
- Thistle feeders: Use a sock feeder (A) or mesh tube feeder (B). Fill with thistle seed—a finch favorite—and keep clean and shaded.

Find out more on attracting finches to your yard at: