

Garden Birds.

YouTube: <https://youtu.be/tWGGvXJxNEk> <https://youtu.be/kCd6YDwur-w>

Hand feeding birds. At this range they are difficult to photograph.

<https://youtu.be/C-bTVlgadg4>

My video

<https://youtu.be/ASHgmOzHYUY>

As with most photo projects:

Preparation, Planning, Patience..... Perseverance.

Get to know your camera and lenses. Practise, practise, practise whenever you can. Not just when you are out on photoshoots. That is too late. When I get a camera, I will test its settings even when I am sitting watching a program on TV, taking pictures of everything and anything until I am confident of how it will perform.

I take Garden Bird pictures for fun as they are a fascinating subject. They are mostly very quick and agile so knowing your camera helps to get an acceptable image. If you want to take serious pictures of them there are scores of YouTube videos to help you, many websites with pictures, advice, and locations to go to.

Bird Feeders. Position for the capabilities of your camera.

With a suitable background that will be out of focus.

Where the lighting is good.

Photogenic perches with food close or on the perches.

Stock with a variety of bird food.

Hide (or where you will take the pictures from)

Comfortable enough to sit there for a long time.

Websites of interest [www.bto.org](http://www.bto.org) [www.rspb.org.uk](http://www.rspb.org.uk) [www.wwt.org.uk/wetland-centres/slimbridge](http://www.wwt.org.uk/wetland-centres/slimbridge)