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Creating a Wild Backyard - Backyard Wildlife Reference Guide

There are many books and published articles about backyard wildlife. While planning the creation or enhancement of your "Wild Acre", you may find that these references can help you choose your materials and create and carry out your design. Below are listed just some of the books that are available. If you can't find these books in your local bookstore, you can usually find them in specialty nature stores.

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