

## **VERY IMPORTANT:** *Read before using...*

### **To replace your feeder with this new one:**

**'Bait & Switch':** Hang your old feeder in its original location BUT be sure it's totally **EMPTY**. Hang the new feeder next to it, FILLED with *fresh* nectar. Use this method even if you plan to continue using your old feeder. **Patience is key!** The nectar is further down than in your old feeder. This deters wasps. Be patient while your hummingbirds discover this. Don't worry about your birds reaching the nectar. Their tongues are 2x longer than their beaks! Most birds switch in a couple days but some can take a week or more to switch. Interestingly, male hummingbirds can be a bit slower to switch than females.

**KEEP OUT ANTS:** Be sure to fill the center ant moat with clean water. Also, take care not to slosh nectar on the outside of the feeder when filling & hanging.

**NOTE:** In the beginning of the season, when your hummingbirds are just arriving, hang your OLD feeder out, FULL. Hummingbirds just arriving from their incredible migration will be desperate for calories so use your old feeder until your hummingbirds have all arrived and fed for several days. Then, go ahead and follow the above 'Bait & Switch' procedure with the old feeder EMPTY, etc.

### **If you're feeding hummingbirds in your yard for the first time...**

*Attract* them to your yard, and feeder: Locate the feeder close to flowers that hummingbirds like. A hanging basket of flowers, sharing a double shepherd's hook with your feeder, works fantastic.

Remember you'll **attract** hummingbirds with flowers and **feed** them with a feeder.

Our website has lots of great information about attracting and feeding hummingbirds - like "How to Steal the Neighbor's Hummingbirds". The 'blog' has even more interesting, up to date, information. Test your knowledge!

### **For success feeding hummingbirds:**

- Use the best recipe for hummingbird food: 4 parts water to 1 part sugar. Any other ratio can harm hummingbirds.
- Use pure, **WHITE CANE** sugar. If the package doesn't specifically read "Pure Cane..." it's not as pure or sweet and can gel in the feeder.
- Never use organic, "raw", or any brownish colored sugar. The impurities that make that sugar brown are very bad for hummingbirds. Those impurities will also turn the nectar into a science project.
- **NEVER EVER** put red food color in your nectar. It's very bad for hummingbirds!
- Cleaning: Sure, your feeder is dishwasher safe but it's so fast & easy to hand wash! You can use vinegar or, if using dish soap, avoid heavily scented dish soaps and rinse WELL with COLD water.
- Check out our BLOG "What's the Best Food for Hummingbirds?" on our website.

For LOTS of great information about feeding & attracting hummingbirds, or to order more feeders, visit our website:  
**[www.TheHummingbirdFeeder.com](http://www.TheHummingbirdFeeder.com)**

Or visit our Face Book page! Everyone will enjoy your pictures and videos so feel free to post!  
**<https://www.Facebook.com/TheHummingbirdFeeder>**

## Assembly:

With the feeder on the counter, drop the hanger down into the center hole. Then, turn the hanger clockwise only about a quarter turn, and gently pull up. The hanger should then be in place. The weight of the feeder keeps it in place. No muscle is needed. The colored lid slides over the top.

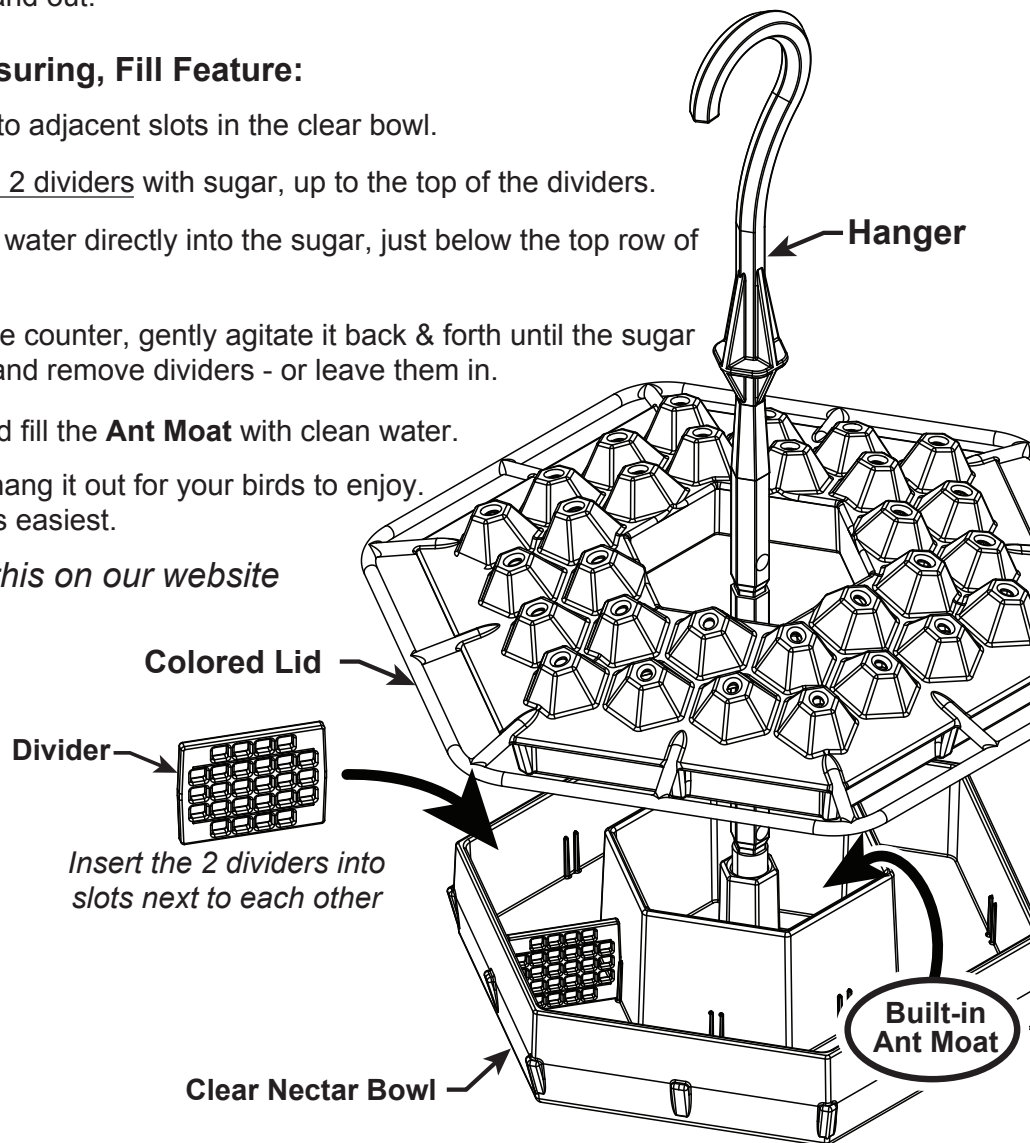
## To Remove the Hanger:

Place the feeder on the counter to take the weight off of the hanger. Gently turn the hanger a quarter turn counter-clockwise, then up and out.

## Optional Easy, No-Measuring, Fill Feature:

- 1) Insert the two dividers into adjacent slots in the clear bowl.
- 2) Fill the area between the 2 dividers with sugar, up to the top of the dividers.
- 3) Pour **HOT** (even boiling) water directly into the sugar, just below the top row of holes in the dividers.
- 4) With the feeder flat on the counter, gently agitate it back & forth until the sugar is dissolved. Let it cool and remove dividers - or leave them in.
- 5) Put the colored lid on and fill the **Ant Moat** with clean water.
- 6) Drop in the hanger and hang it out for your birds to enjoy.  
Carrying by the hanger is easiest.

*You can see a video of this on our website*



Our guarantee: We want you to enjoy feeding hummingbirds for generations without the hassles and problems of other feeders, so we've made the best feeder we possibly can. It's extremely tough, as well as UV stable, If anything breaks, or is lost, we will replace the part at no cost to you, for the rest of your life. And the life of your heirs... and their heirs... So don't forget to include it in your will.

These feeders have been extensively tested and are overwhelmingly accepted by hummingbirds nationwide, as well as Canada, Central, and South America. Because we can't control humans, their practices, and environments, we cannot guarantee acceptance by your hummingbirds.