One of Mississippi’s most abundant backyard birds is the American robin. It is a welcome sight in the spring, its song is beautiful and it provides great enjoyment for people as it raises its young each summer. Their grassy nest is lined inside with mud and the eggs are light blue.

A robin nesting shelf can be placed on a wall by a window where the robin family can be easily seen. Or, the nesting shelf can be placed on the trunk of a tree about 6 to 10 feet above the ground. The nesting shelf can be left unpainted or it can be painted an earth tone.

As other birds may use the robin’s nest after its young leave, wait until winter to remove the old nest in preparation for the spring nesting season.

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