



# SPARROW-B-GONE!™

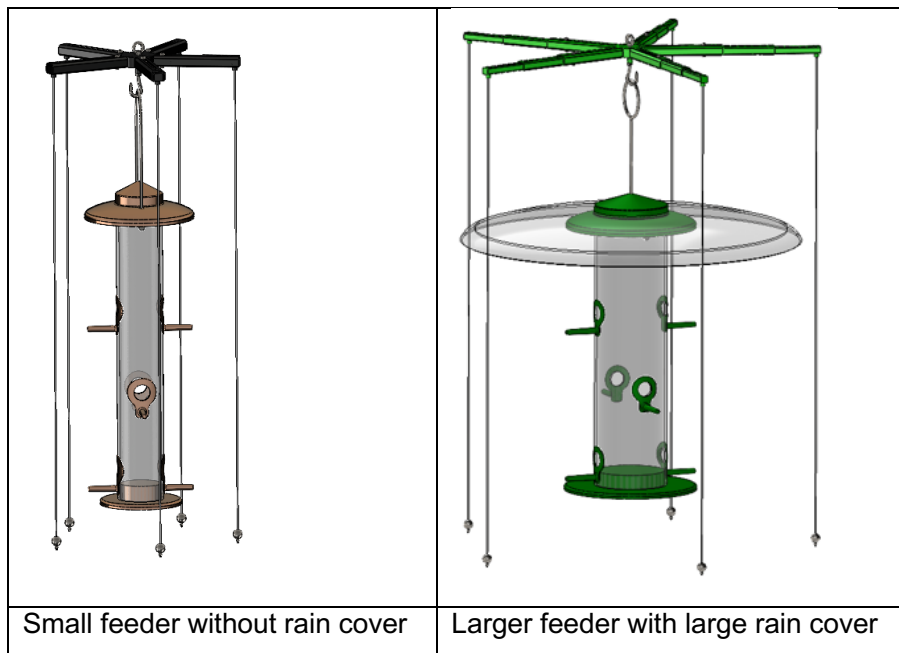
*Send your house sparrows packing!*

## Sparrow-B-Gone! - Model T

### Version 5

Thank you for purchasing Sparrow-B-Gone™ - your house sparrows' worst nightmare! All the plastic bags that the parts come in are completely recyclable at any grocery store or other location that accepts #2 and #4 plastic bags for recycling. The shipping carton is easily recycled as well. The shipping clips are made out of a special biodegradable material that will completely decompose in a landfill without leaving microplastic particles.

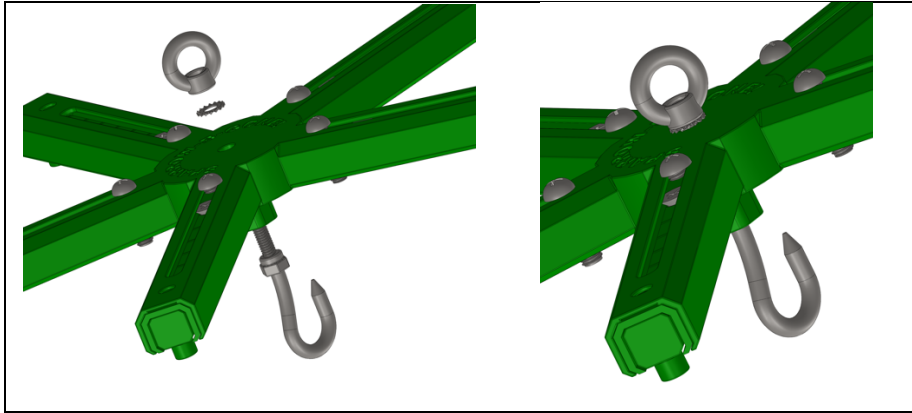
Sparrow-B-Gone model SBG-T is a flexible product that can easily be adjusted in size to fit almost all hanging tube bird feeders. These images show examples of a properly adjusted Sparrow-B-Gone with different types of hanging tube feeders:



### In your Bag

Sparrow-B-Gone	Top Loop, J-Hook, Lock Washer	Screwdriver	Reusable Zip Tie

## Attach J-Hook, Lock Washer, and Top Loop to Sparrow-B-Gone



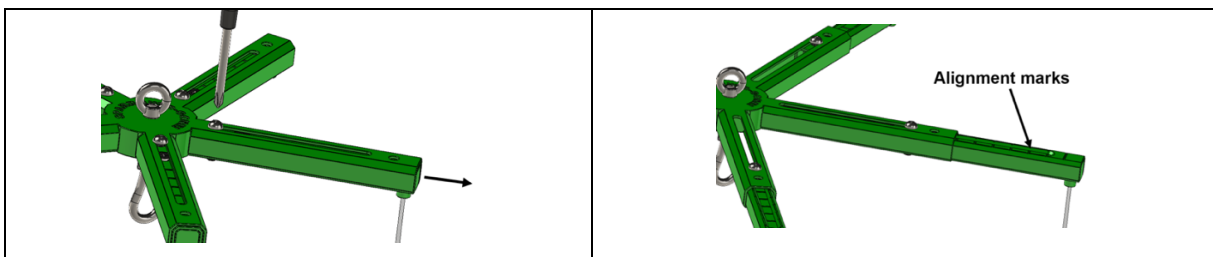
Insert the J-hook through the bottom of Sparrow-B-Gone, place the lock wash on the top of the J-hook, and screw the top loop onto the top of the J-hook by hand until snug.

## Changing the Sparrow-B-Gone diameter (if needed)

Sparrow-B-Gone is a flexible product that can easily be adjusted in size to fit almost all hanging round bird feeders. The diameter can be adjusted from about 10 inches to 20 and the cord length is about 34 inches long and can be shortened as needed.

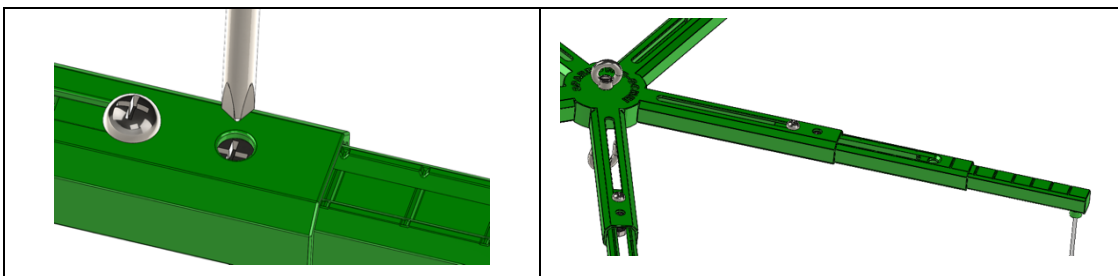
### **Size: 10 to 15 Inches**

Two screws can be used to adjust the diameter of Sparrow-B-Gone to fit your specific bird feeder. The first screw (round head) allows the diameter to be adjusted from about 10 inches to 15 inches, which is enough for many feeders that don't have very wide rain covers. To increase the diameter, just loosen the round head screw slightly and pull gently on the bottom end of the arm where the cord comes out. Tighten the screw fully when it is adjusted to the desired size.



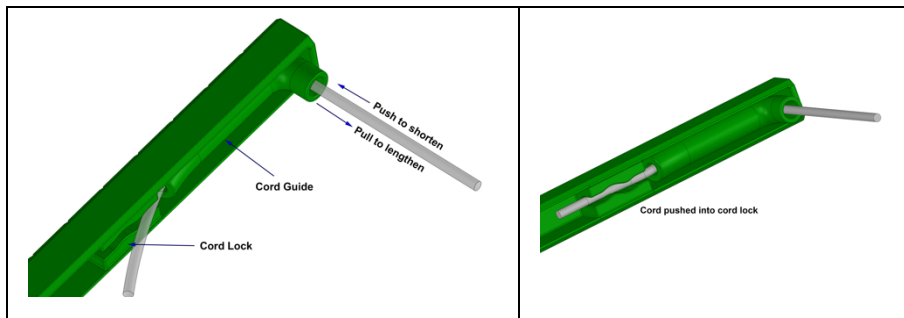
### **Size: 16 to 20 Inches**

To expand the size of Sparrow-B-Gone beyond 15 inches, first fully extend the arms using the round head screw. You will then see the head of the flat head screw used for the second stage adjustment. Loosen the flat head screw slightly until you can pull the inner arm out to the desired length. Tighten fully when it is adjusted to the desired size.



## Adjusting cord length

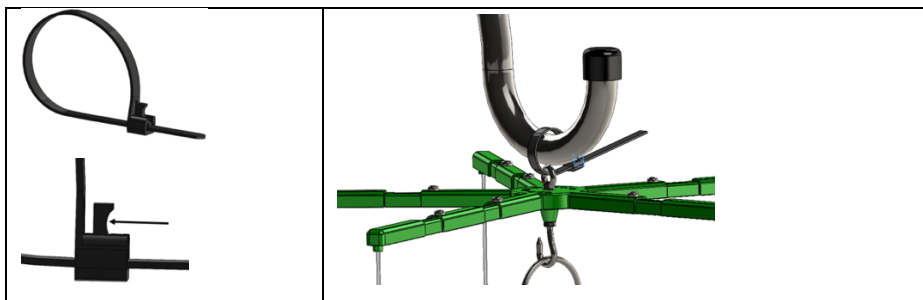
We generally recommend that the length of the cord be adjusted so that the ball weights are a few inches below the bottom of the feeder. Adjusting the length of the cord is easy – just push or pull the cord where it comes out the bottom of the inner arm, as shown below. Note that initially, the end of the cord is above the cord lock. This makes it easy to move the cord in or out to adjust length. Once you are satisfied with the length, you should push the cord down into the cord lock and trim excess length with scissors. We recommend that you leave at least 1/2" of cord sticking out beyond the end of the cord lock. If you decide to change the length later, for example if you move your Sparrow-B-Gone to a shorter feeder, pull the end of the cord out of the cord lock to make it easier to adjust the length and then push it back into the cord lock when done adjusting.



**Note:** If you do cut the cord length and later decide to move your Sparrow-B-Gone to a longer feeder, we do have replacement cord sets available on our website. Also, if you accidentally pull the cord all the way out, you can easily push the cord back in by gripping the end of the cord with your hands or a pair of pliers and pushing it back through the bottom opening.

## Attaching Sparrow-B-Gone to pole/hook/chain

Since round bird feeders can be hung from poles, chains, S-hooks, etc., we have included a special heavy duty removable/reusable zip tie that is UV resistant and should last for many years. Push the lever to open the zip tie and it is ready to attach your new Sparrow-B-Gone. If you have a very heavy feeder, you may want to use both of the zip ties we provide, but normally one is strong enough to handle almost all feeders.



## **What Happens Next?**

As you probably know, when you first put out a new bird feeder, many birds are afraid of it. It can take up to two weeks for them to overcome their fear and start using the new feeder. The same thing may happen when you add Sparrow-B-Gone to an existing feeder. In our experience, and that of our customers, birds like gold finches, house finches, and chickadees have little or no fear of Sparrow-B-Gone and will return to the feeder quickly. Cardinals are a bit more cautious. We recommend giving it two full weeks to see how Sparrow-B-Gone will work for you. There is a 30 day return policy on the product for exactly this reason. Also, research has shown that teenage house sparrows are not afraid of sparrow spookers like Sparrow-B-Gone! because, after all, they are teenagers! Fortunately, when they become adult house sparrows, they almost always come to their senses, think back and wonder “what was I thinking going near that scary object?” Overall, Sparrow-B-Gone should reduce your house sparrow problems by at least 90%.

**Enjoy!**

