



## A FEW PLANTS WHICH WILL PROVIDE FOOD FOR AND ENCOURAGE BIRDS INTO YOUR GARDEN

### Trees

**Crab apples** - (*Malus* spp.) e.g. John Downie, Golden Hornet, Red Sentinel, fruiting varieties.

**Rowans/Mountain Ash** - (*Sorbus* spp.) e.g. *S. aucuparia* 'Joseph Rock', *S. villmorinii*, *S. hupehensis* 'Chinese Lace'.

**Hawthorns** - (*Crataegus* spp.), especially *C. monogyna*.

**Birch** - (*Betula* spp.).

**Hollies** - (*Ilex aquifolium* (female forms)).

**Cherries** - All fruiting cherries. Avoiding the Japanese flowering varieties.

**Oaks** - (*Quercus* spp.)

### Shrubs

**Berberis** - most provide good cover and fruit.

**Cotoneaster** - as for Berberis.

**Honeysuckle's** - *Lonicera* climbing species. Allow to fruit.

**Roses** - *Rosa* species are best for hips, especially *R. rugosa* types.

**Mahonia & Viburnum** - Any species, but avoid those that have blue berries, as they are not attractive to birds.

**Firethorn** - *Pyracantha* spp. all makes excellent cover and food. Can be grown as hedges, wall specimens, bushes or ground cover.

**Clematis** - All but especially *C. tangutica*, *C. macropetala* and *C. alpina*.

### Perennials

**Grasses** - provide food and nesting materials.

**Ornamental Thistles** - seed heads provide food.

**Daisy Family** - Asters, Erigeron, & Coreopsis provide food.