

Ruby-Throated Hummingbirds Make Awesome Nests



This is a ruby-throated hummingbird. It is a small bird that drinks nectar.

These birds are very small. In fact, they are no heavier than a penny.

The males have ruby-red throats. The females do not.

The female makes a nest in spring. She makes it from spider webs. It is the size of a walnut.

The female finds spider webs. She takes the silk and adds it to her nest. She needs a lot of silk.

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The nest is soft and stretchy. She puts leaves on the outside. This hides the nest.

The female lays her eggs when the nest is done. Each egg is the size of a pea. The nest is small, but it can grow. As the chicks grow, so does the nest.

Hummingbirds make their nests in trees. Have you ever seen one? You have to look hard to find them. They are very small. They look like part of the tree.

