

HUMMINGBIRD CAPITAL OF THE UNITED STATES

Sierra Vista is well known across the state of Arizona and beyond as the Hummingbird Capital of the United States. We want to make it official.

Because over 15 species of hummingbirds annually migrate through Sierra Vista Sierra Vista has long been recognized as the Hummingbird Capital of the USA by many.

To make this designation official the City Council will pass a resolution and request our State Representative to pass this resolution at the State Capital.

Although you may find hummingbirds in many locations around the world, we are unique in the varieties of those in this area.

Birdwatcher's Digest confirms that the region sees 15 in an "exceptional year" and birders have been able to spot 14 species in a single day.

With 15 species of *hummingbirds* passing through *Sierra Vista* annually, the Southeastern *Arizona* Bird Observatory has been conducting an ongoing study into the life and migration patterns of these tiny birds for more than a decade.

Ramsay Canyon Preserve says that up to fourteen species of hummers are included in the more than one hundred and fifty species of birds in the preserve, making this peaceful oasis one of the best bird watching spots in the world. Ramsey Canyon Preserve, ninety miles southeast of Tucson, Arizona, near Sierra Vista, claims the title of "hummingbird capital of the United States

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According to locals, the title has been around for at least 40 years. (I've talked to a few 'oldtimers' and will also put the question on one of the SV sites.

Include the SV hummingbird logo on the proclamation??

Of the 300-plus species of birds commonly seen around Sierra Vista, more than a dozen are varieties of hummingbirds, earning Sierra Vista the moniker of "The Hummingbird Capital of the United States." (SV Tourism article)