

# **API 600 Heated Birdbath User Manual**

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**API 600 Heated Birdbath** 



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#### Introduction

The API 600 Heated Birdbath is a safe and energy-efficient way to keep water from freezing, making it a great way to keep birds hydrated during the winter. This birdbath has a low-wattage heating element that is controlled by a thermostat. It only turns on when the temperature gets below freezing, so it uses very little electricity. Made of long-lasting plastic that doesn't crack in bad weather, it can stand up to rough outdoor circumstances. Because it's big, many birds can bathe and drink at the same time. Safety features like heating protection and a heat-resistant cord make the API 600 easy to use. It looks good in any garden or other outdoor space because of its natural form. It's easy to set up and comes with mounting tools. It's useful and convenient all winter.

# **Specifications**

Brand: APIModel: 600

Dimensions: 20 x 20 x 2 inches
Weight: Approximately 4.5 pounds
Manufacturer: Miller Manufacturing

Heating Element: 50W low-wattage, energy-efficient
 Power Source: Electrical (requires a 120V outlet)

• Material: Durable, weather-resistant plastic with a stone-like or textured finish

• **Temperature Regulation**: Thermostatically controlled to operate only when temperatures drop below freezing (around 20°F / -6°C)

• Water Capacity: Approximately 1 quart or more

• Safety Features: Overheat protection, heat-resistant cord, and safety-tested electrical components

# **Package Includes**

- · Heated Birdbath Unit
- Power Cord
- · Mounting Hardware
- · Instruction Manual

#### **Features**

# 1. Energy-Efficient Heating:

The 50W heating element in the API 600 Heated Birdbath keeps the water from freezing in cold weather without using too much power.

## 2. Durable and Resistant to Weather:

The birdbath is made of weather-resistant plastic, so it will last through all four seasons and can handle high and low temperatures without breaking or cracking. It has a finish that looks like stone or is rough so it will look great in any outdoor setting.

# 3. Controlled by a thermostat:

The thermostatic control only turns on the heating element when it's needed, so the water stays warm without wasting energy when it's warmer outside.

# 4. Mounting and Setting Up:

The birdbath comes with mounting hardware that can be used to attach it to either a deck railing or a post. This gives you a lot of placement choices. The API 600 is made to be easy to set up and can be used in a number of outdoor areas.

# 5. Safety-Tested:

The pool has overheat protection, a heat-resistant cord, and electrical parts that have been safety-tested to make sure they work safely.

# 6. Large Water Capacity:

The API 600 Heated Birdbath can hold at least one gallon of water, which is enough for birds to bathe and drink at the same time. This makes wildlife more likely to use it more often.

# 7. Design that is both quiet and attractive:

The birdbath is made to look good, and its natural, smooth surface looks great in any garden, patio, or backyard. This is a nice-looking addition to your outdoor decor that is also very useful for birdwatchers.

#### 8. Fully Enclosed Heating Element:

The heating element is fully enclosed, so birds and other animals can't get close to it. This makes it safe for both people and animals to use.

#### 9. Ice-Free Water:

The water in this pond doesn't freeze over the winter, so birds can drink fresh water even when it's very cold outside, which is very important for their survival in the winter.

10. The birdbath is only 4.5 pounds, which makes it easy to move or set up in different places. It's also easy to store for the winter because it's not heavy.

# **Usage**

## 1. Positioning:

Place the **API 600 Heated Birdbath** in a flat, stable location where birds will feel safe. It can be placed on the ground or mounted on a pedestal or post (if mounting hardware is included).

#### 2. Connection:

3. Plug the power cord into a standard electrical outlet (extension cords may be required depending on placement). The thermostatic heater will automatically activate when temperatures drop below freezing.

## 4. Winter Use:

Use the **API 600** during the colder months when natural water sources are frozen. Ensure the birdbath is regularly cleaned and refilled with fresh water to attract birds.

#### **Care and Maintenance**

# 1. Regular Cleaning:

Clean the birdbath at least once every week during the winter to prevent debris, mold, or algae buildup. Use mild soap and warm water with a soft brush or sponge to avoid scratching the surface.

# 2. Winter Storage:

If you're not using the birdbath during warmer months, it's a good idea to store it indoors to protect the heating element and plastic from UV damage.

## 3. Checking for Damage:

Before use each season, check the heating element, power cord, and the body of the birdbath for signs of wear, cracks, or damage. If there are any issues, contact the manufacturer for assistance or repairs.

#### 4. Winter Protection:

If heavy snow accumulates, clear the snow off the birdbath to ensure the water remains accessible to birds. Snow buildup could block the water's surface and prevent the heating element from working effectively.

# **Troubleshooting**

| Problem  | Possible Cause   | Solution   |
|--|--|--|
| Birdbath does not heat                         | Power cord not plugged in or not connected properly              | Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet.               |
| Birdbath is not keeping water ice-free         | Thermostat malfunction or heating el ement failure               | Check the thermostat and heating element for damage, replace if necessary.     |
| Water is freezing despite being plugged in     | Power outage or faulty thermostat                                | Check the power source and test the therm ostat. Replace if faulty.            |
| Birdbath is not receiving power                | Tripped circuit breaker or blown fuse                            | Reset the circuit breaker or replace the fuse in your electrical system.       |
| Birdbath turns off unexp ectedly               | Overheat protection activated                                    | Ensure the birdbath is not in direct sunlight or too close to heat sources.    |
| Cracked or damaged sur face                    | Extreme cold temperatures or impac t damage                      | Inspect for cracks or damage; replace the b irdbath if needed.                 |
| Water level too low                            | Evaporation or incorrect installation                            | Ensure the birdbath is level and add more water to the correct level.          |
| Cord is damaged or fray ed                     | Wear and tear or rodent damage                                   | Replace the damaged cord with a new one or contact customer service.           |
| Mounting hardware not f itting                 | Incorrect installation or incompatible post/deck size            | Double-check the mounting instructions and hardware for correct use.           |
| Birdbath is leaking water                      | Crack in the base or seam  | Inspect for cracks and seal or replace the bi rdbath if leaking.               |
| Water appears cloudy or dirty                  | Accumulation of dirt or debris                                   | Clean the birdbath regularly with mild soap and water to maintain cleanliness. |
| Birdbath is shaking or u nstable               | Uneven placement or incorrect mounting                           | Make sure the birdbath is mounted securely or placed on a stable surface.      |
| Power cord is too short f or desired placement | The power cord is not long enough f or the chosen location       | Use an outdoor extension cord rated for use with electrical appliances.        |
| Water not flowing evenly                       | Clogged drain or debris in the birdba th                         | Clean the drain and surface to remove debr is and ensure water flows properly. |
| Heating element is hot to the touch            | Normal operation as heating element maintains water temperatur e | Ensure the element is fully enclosed, and c heck for overheating.              |

# **Pros and Cons**

# **Pros**

- Keeps water accessible for birds in freezing temperatures.
- Easy installation and maintenance.
- Durable materials ensure long-lasting use.

# Cons

- · Requires electricity, which may limit placement options.
- Initial investment may be higher than non-heated alternatives.

## **Contact Information**

- https://api-pt.com/support/contact-us
- Call Us: 800-333-0958

# Warranty

The API 600 Heated Birdbath comes with a one-year limited warranty covering defects in materials and workmanship. Be sure to retain your purchase receipt for warranty claims.

# **FAQs**

How does the thermostat in the API 600 Heated Birdbath work?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath has a built-in thermostat that automatically activates the heating element when temperatures fall below freezing, ensuring the water stays unfrozen.

What is the power requirement for the API 600 Heated Birdbath?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath requires a standard 120V electrical outlet to operate, consuming minimal electricity with its energy-efficient 50-watt heating element.

How much water does the API 600 Heated Birdbath hold?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath holds approximately 1 quart of water, which is enough for multiple birds to drink and bathe simultaneously.

How do I install the API 600 Heated Birdbath?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath can be installed by mounting it on a deck railing or post using the included mounting hardware, or by placing it on a stable surface.

How long is the power cord for the API 600 Heated Birdbath?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath features a standard power cord that connects easily to a 120V outlet, but you may need an outdoor extension cord if additional length is required.

What material is the API 600 Heated Birdbath made from?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath is made from weather-resistant plastic, often featuring a stone-like or textured finish, ensuring durability in various outdoor conditions.

Can the API 600 Heated Birdbath be used in any location?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath can be used in most outdoor locations, provided it is placed on a stable, level surface or properly mounted on a post or railing.

How can I clean the API 600 Heated Birdbath?

Clean the API 600 Heated Birdbath regularly using mild soap and warm water. Avoid abrasive materials to prevent damage to the surface.

What happens if the API 600 Heated Birdbath is not working?

If the API 600 Heated Birdbath is not working, check the power connection, test the thermostat, and inspect the cord for damage. If the issue persists, contact customer service for assistance.

How much electricity does the API 600 Heated Birdbath consume?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath uses a 50W energy-efficient heating element, meaning it consumes minimal electricity while still keeping the water ice-free in colder weather.

How do I know when the heating element of the API 600 Heated Birdbath is working?

The thermostat in the API 600 Heated Birdbath automatically activates the heating element when the

temperature drops below freezing. If the birdbath is keeping water unfrozen, the heating element is working.

How long does the API 600 Heated Birdbath take to heat the water?

he API 600 Heated Birdbath begins heating as soon as the temperature drops below freezing. The exact time it takes to heat the water will depend on the ambient temperature, but it works quickly to prevent freezing.

Will the API 600 Heated Birdbath work in extreme temperatures, such as -10°F?

The API 600 Heated Birdbath is designed to operate efficiently in temperatures as low as 20°F (-6°C). In extremely cold weather, it may not be as effective, so additional insulation or shelter may be required.

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