

## Search & Destroy

### **Some birds prefer home furnishings to toys**

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Right now, a wicker chair sits helpless as its twigs are snipped off one by one, a computer is rendered useless by way of stolen keys and a door jam is looking vulnerable and naked, with its rubber tip now a crumbled heap nearby. Yes, homes across America (and beyond) are under assault, falling victim to strong beaks and curious feathered minds, which begs the question, "Do you know where your bird is right now?"

There is good reason behind the phrase "bird-proof your home." It protects the health and well-being of your bird, and it saves you a costly remodel. That said, "bird-surprises" can still pop up in a bird-proofed room. In less than the time than it takes you to read this sentence, your bird, sitting contently on your lap, could very well have reached beside you and chewed off the on/off button of your phone. That's exactly what my Amazon did years ago, which essentially made it impossible to make calls or end calls.

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