

## Classic TH-3 Thistle Feeder

Droll Yankees feeders can be disassembled for easy cleaning and part replacement.

**Cleaning:** Please, for the sake of the birds, keep your feeders clean! Dirty feeders can harm the birds. Use a mild soap & water solution and a soft brush for thorough, simple cleaning. Dry completely before filling with seed.

### Disassemble

1. Remove the bail wire by cutting the 90° bend on each end of the bail wire with wire cutters, or straightening with pliers. Pull the bail wire out from the bail rod and remove the top cap.
2. With the feeder in a horizontal position, push the feeder down against a perch rod on a flat surface until the perch rod has been pushed further through the opposite side of the tube, and remove. Removing the 2<sup>nd</sup> perch rod up from the bottom will release the baffle.
3. To remove the base, unscrew the two base screws. The baffle can now be removed from inside the tube.
4. Disassemble the TH-A strip (armor band) by removing the nut and Phillips screw or sliding the TH clip off where the two ends are joined on the TH-A strip. This process is easily completed by using a TH clip tool which holds the ends together for you. The TH clip tool can be ordered by directly calling Droll Yankees.

### Assemble

1. Install the TH-A strip (armor band) on the tube by wrapping the TH-A strip around the top pair of ports, which are shaped like tear drops. The ports should be centered in both ½" holes on the TH-A strip. While holding the ends of the TH-A strip together with your fingertips or with the TH clip tool, replace the Phillips screw and the nut or the TH clip.
2. Place the baffle inside the tube, with the open end facing down. Push the baffle up the tube aligning the holes in the top of the baffle with the perch rod holes above the lower TH-A strip. Install a perch rod which will hold the baffle in place. (See Perch Rod Installation)
3. Perch Rod Installation: **Note: For easier insertion, place the perch rods in the freezer for 20-30 minutes.**
  - a. Hold a perch rod in an upright position on a flat surface. With the feeder in a horizontal position, line up the perch rod with the perch rod hole in the tube. Push the feeder down onto the perch rod, allowing the perch rod to push up through the tube.
  - b. Align the partially inserted perch rod with the exit hole and push down on the feeder until the perch rod extends equally on both sides of the tube.
4. Place the base on the feeder and replace the two base screws.
5. Insert the bail rod in the holes at the top of the tube. Place the top cap on the feeder and insert the bail wire through the holes in the top cap and the bail rod. Use pliers to bend the ends of the bail wire to a 90° angle.

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