

Simple Bird Feeder

You will need:

- Empty cardboard tube
- Peanut butter
- Butter knife
- Wild birdseed
- Tray
- String (optional)



Instructions

1. Using the butter knife, carefully spread a thick layer of peanut butter all over the cardboard tube.
2. Pour the birdseed into the tray.
3. Roll the peanut butter-covered cardboard tube in the birdseed. Press down carefully to make sure the birdseed has stuck to the peanut butter.
4. Gently, shake off the excess birdseed over the tray.
5. Slide the birdfeeder onto the branch of a tree. Alternatively, you could thread some string through the tube and tie it in a knot at the top to make a loop.
6. Sit back and count how many different birds visit your feeder to enjoy a treat!



Pine Cone Bird Feeder

You will need:

Pine or fir cones (dried out so they open!)

Bird seed

Raisins

Peanuts

Grated cheese

Suet or lard

Mixing bowl

Scissors

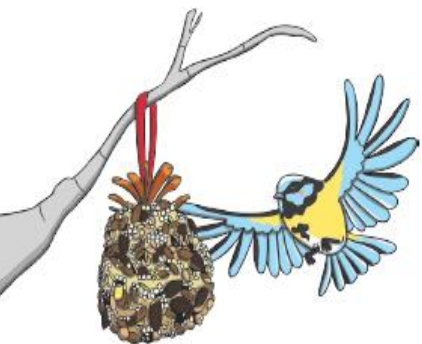
String

Instructions

1. Warm the lard up to room temperature, but don't melt it. Then cut it up into small pieces and put it in the mixing bowl.
2. Add the other ingredients to the lard in the bowl. Mix them together with your fingertips, until the fat holds this great squidgy mess all together.
3. Tie string at the top of your cones, then fill them with bird mix.



4. Put your cones in the fridge to set for an hour or so. Now they're ready to hang up and give the birds a treat.



Pipe Cleaner Bird Feeder



As winter comes and temperatures drop, garden birds need our help. Make this bird feeder and hang it in your garden to keep the birds well fed. This activity is great for developing dexterity and strengthening little fingers.

You will need:

Long pipe cleaners

Hoop-shaped breakfast cereal

Ribbon



The Activity

1. Bend 1cm of the end of the pipe cleaner into an 'L' shape to stop the cereal falling off.
2. Thread the cereal onto the pipe cleaner until it is full.
3. Bend the pipe cleaner into a circle and twist the two ends securely together.
4. Use the ribbon to hang the feeder outside in a tree or bush. Make sure that it is well out of the reach of cats!

Hints and Tips

- You can try bending the pipe cleaner into different shapes – try a heart, a triangle or a square.
- Use a brightly coloured ribbon to attract the birds.
- Enjoy watching the birds in your garden. See how many different birds you can spot. You can use Twinkl's [Garden Bird Checklist](#) to help you to identify the birds you see.

Winter Bird Feeders

You will need:

85g lard or suet (room temperature)

50g grated cheese

Handful of raisins

Handful of quality bird seed

Child's knife

Chopping board

Wooden spoon

Mixing bowl

Yoghurt pots or plastic cups

String (cut to desired length)

Sharp pencil



Instructions

1. Carefully use a sharp pencil to make a hole in the bottom of your yoghurt pot.
2. Push a little bit of the piece of string through the hole in the bottom of the yoghurt pot.
3. Ask your grown-up to help you to tie a knot in the piece of string on the inside of the yoghurt pot.
4. Carefully, chop the lard into small pieces and place them into the mixing bowl.
5. Add the grated cheese, raisins and bird seed to the bowl.
6. Mix the ingredients together using a wooden spoon or your hands.
7. Make sure all of the dry ingredients have stuck to the lard.
8. Fill your yoghurt pot up to the top with the mixture to create your winter bird feeder.
9. Wash your hands.
10. Place your bird feeder into the fridge and remove it after one hour.
11. Ask your grown-up to help you to hang your winter bird feeder outside.
12. Watch as the birds enjoy their winter treat!

*Please note that the bird seed is not for human consumption.

