

How to Make a Cone Bird Feeder



What You Need:

Wax paper, pine or other cone, string, peanut butter or shortening if anyone has peanut allergies, butter knife, bird seed, and scissors.

What to Do

Spread the peanut butter or shortening inside the openings all around the center and bottom of the cone and fill up the spaces. Spread bird seed of your choice on the wax paper. Take the cone and roll it in the bird seed so that the seeds stick to the peanut butter all around the outside. You may also want to sprinkle seeds inside any openings.

Measure your string to hang down from a branch of a tree or bush so that it is far enough from the branch to keep any squirrels from eating your feeder. Tie your string to the top of the pine cone and then to the tree branch. Watch and record who comes to visit your cone feeder this winter.

Suet Feeder

What You Need:

plastic onion or potato sack, wax paper, string, scissors, suet (ask for this at the meat counter of your local grocery store), and bird seed

What to Do

Cut a piece of wax paper to about 8" x 10." Sprinkle seeds on the wax paper, then take out your suet and roll it onto the seeds, completely covering it. Now make a ball out of your suet and place it into the plastic onion or potato sack. Cut the sack to fit the size of your suet ball and tie off the top with your string. Be sure to leave a long end on it in order to hang it from the tree. Hang the suet feeder far from the tree trunk to keep other critters from making off with the entire feeder. Wait and watch to find out who will visit your suet sack feeder this winter.