

Make Your Own: Winter Bird Feeder



Here's How to Make a Pinecone Bird Feeder:

Step 1: Fill a bucket with water. Drop your natural pinecones into the bucket. Stir the pinecones to remove any insects, dirt, and debris. Remove the pinecones from the water and let them air dry.



Step 2: Securely tie a piece of twine, ribbon, or string around the stock end of the pinecone. Leave enough excess to tie onto a tree branch or shrub.

Step 3: Place the pinecone on a paper plate or something you do not mind getting dirty. Use a butter knife to spread your choice of one of the following: *peanut butter, honey, suet, lard, vegetable shortening, sunflower seed butter, coconut oil, or other nut butter*, around and under the scales of the pinecone.



Step 4: Sprinkle your choice of birdseed all over the pinecone. Visit Bird Watchers Digest for their tips for bird seed: <http://bit.ly/38Yi4Fp>

Step 5: Hang the pinecone outside by tying it to a near by tree or shrub. Place your pinecone feeder where you can enjoy the visitors you attract, but remember to leave four meters from windows to reduce collisions.

Step 6: Enjoy watching the birds come visit your homemade pinecone bird feeder.

Visit the Canadian Wildlife Federation for their tips for bird feeding: <http://bit.ly/2LPzbk7>

