

How to make a Bird Feeder

Resources / Ingredients

- Milk carton for the bird feeder structure
- Seeds, oats, currants, breadcrumbs to make the bird food
- Scissors to cut out the sides of the milk carton
- Apron/old clothes you don't mind getting dirty!
- String to tie the feeder to a tree
- Mixing bowl
- Spoon

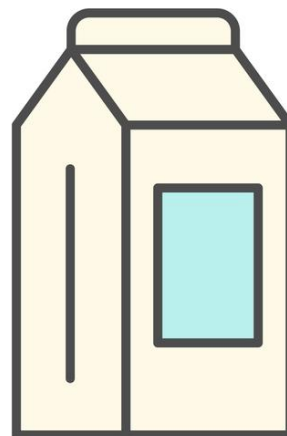


Top Tip: Encourage children to buy recyclable milk cartons so they can be washed and recycled after!

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Instructions

1. Collect all the resources and ingredients in one place. Wash your hands and put on your apron/old clothes.
2. In a bowl mix breadcrumbs, seeds, currants and oats until they are all mixed up.
3. Cut out squares from the sides of the milk carton, but leave the bottom of the carton. You could decide to only cut out squares from 2 sides of the carton instead of all 4. Make sure the cut out squares are far enough from the bottom of the carton so that the bird food doesn't fall off. See picture below!
4. Carefully spoon the mixture from the bowl onto the bottom of the birdfeeder.
5. Make some holes at the top of the carton and thread through some string so you can tie your feeder to a tree.



Top Tip: Children may find it easier if teachers make an example and record themselves making it.

Adult supervision required!

How to make a Bug Hotel

Resources

- Wood/Cardboard to make the hotel structure
- String, glue, stapler, sellotape to hold the hotel together
- Material to fill the bug hotel, including:
 - Pine cones
 - Straw
 - Pieces of wood
 - Dry leaves
 - Cardboard
 - Stones



Top Tip: Use biodegradable and natural material!

How to make a Bug Hotel

Instructions

1. Wash hands and collect all resources so they are easy to reach.
2. Start by making the structure of the Bug Hotel with pieces of wood or cardboard, using glue, Sellotape, staplers and/or string to hold the hotel together. You could add shelves in the hotel to separate all the different material.
3. Organise the material in the Bug Hotel to fill any spaces but leave some small gaps for bugs to live in. You can decide if you want to tie the hotel to a tree using string, or you may want to secure it another way.



Top Tip: Encourage children to take pictures of their Bug Hotels to share in class.