

PROJECT

Feed the Birds

People are lucky. When the cold weather arrives, we know where to go to get warm and find food.

Birds have a tougher time—especially when it comes to food. They need lots of it to stay warm. This project can make their lives easier.

What You'll Need:

- 2 empty plastic water bottles of the same size—any size will do
- a length of string or ribbon, about one metre long
- a stick about as long as a pencil
- birdseed for small birds
- sharp scissors and glue

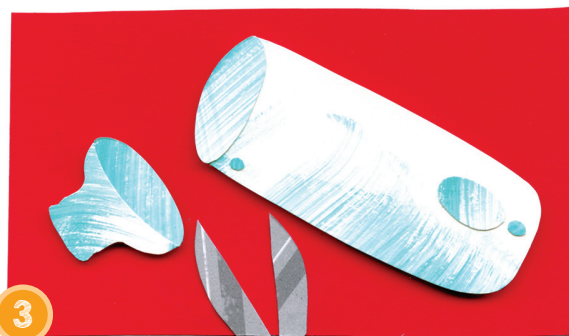
How to Make Your Bird Feeder:



1 Remove the labels from the water bottles. Using the scissors, cut a hole about the size of a quarter in one of the bottles. Make the hole about three centimetres from the bottom of the bottle. This will be the hole the birds feed from.



2 Below the first hole, cut a second hole just large enough put the stick in. Cut another hole on the opposite side of the bottle.

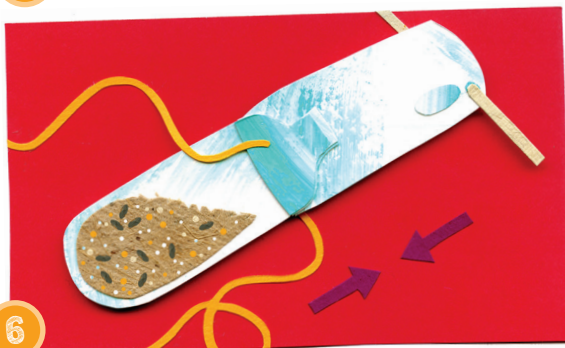


3 Cut off the top and neck of the bottle. Just below, cut two small holes on opposite sides of the bottle. Make them large enough so that your string or ribbon can pass through them.



4 Push your stick through the holes at the bottom of the bottle. Make sure enough of the stick pokes through on each side for a small bird to perch on it. Use a few drops of glue to fix it in place. Next, thread your string or ribbon through the holes at the top. Tie the ends in a loop so you can hang the bird feeder.

5 Take your birdseed and fill the second bottle halfway.



6 Push the bottle with the birdseed into the bottle with the holes, stick and string. Keep pushing until the bottle with the birdseed touches the stick.



7 Your bird feeder is almost ready. All you have to do now is turn it over slowly and find a good place to hang it. You can also decorate your feeder with markers. Have fun!