

In your garden: Pine cone bird feeder

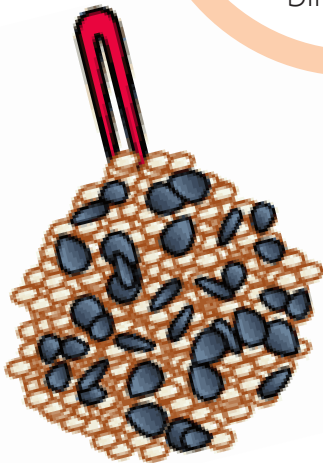
Give garden wildlife a helping hand by making bird feeders to hang in the trees.

You will need:

Pine cones
Bird seed
Lard or suet
A mixing bowl
A plate or tray
String and scissors



Top tip: for an extra special treat for the birds add things like peanuts, raisins and grated cheese in with the bird seed



How to:

1. Cut a piece of string and tie it around the top of the pine cone, leaving enough string free so you can tie the pine cone to a tree when it's finished.
2. Place your (room temperature) lard or suet in a mixing bowl and then squidge the fat around the pine cone using your hands. Roll it around until all the nooks and crannies are filled.
3. Pour the bird seed onto a plate or tray and roll your pine cone through it so that the seeds stick to the fat.
4. Now hang the pine cone on a tree branch in the garden and see which birds come for a tasty snack!