

Make Your Own Bird Feeder

Making a bird feeder can be a great way to observe birds in your backyard! Kingston is home to several diverse bird species, can you identify some?

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Ready, set, go!

Gather your materials:

- pinecone
- string or twine and scissors
- nut or seed butter, suet, or shortening
- bird seed
- newspaper and spoon/spatula



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Strings attached!

Cut about 40cm of string or twine and tie one end to the pinecone.



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Rolling cones!

Lay down some newspaper to keep things clean. Using a spoon or spatula, cover the pinecone with nut or seed butter, suet, or shortening.



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Adding seeds!

Place a handful of bird seed in a bowl. Roll your pinecone in the bird seed until it's covered.

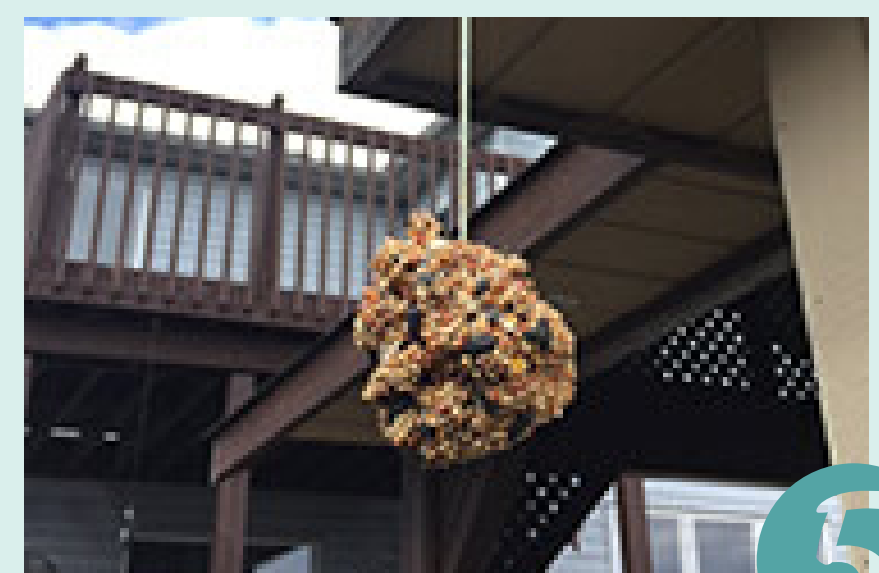


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Hang it up!

Once the pinecone is covered, you have a bird feeder! Hang it up somewhere accessible and in the open, so that you also can observe the birds! Make sure it's hung tightly.



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Wait and see!

Use our Bird Identification resource to spot different bird species feeding!

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