

WINTER WONDERLAND: NATURE PLAY

Pine cone bird feeders

Winter is a tough for birds just like it can be tough for us! One way to help out the birds in your area is to create a bird feeder. We love these simple ones made from pine cones because they provide a great snack for our feathered friends and are easy to make with the help of little hands. You'll need:

- Pine cones (make sure they are clean, dry, and free from perfume*)
- Sunflower seed butter or peanut butter
- Cornmeal
- Birdseed (black sunflower seeds or millet are great)
- String to hang the pine cone with (natural fibers are best!)

Tie your string around your pine cone and knot it in a loop. Mix your nut butter and cornmeal together and spread this mix on your pine cone using a knife or hands. Pour some birdseed on to a flat plate and roll the pine cone in it until it is completely covered. Hang up on a branch in your area to attract birds to your feeder.

*Pine cones sold in stores can have an added perfume, which we don't recommend for this project.

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