



How to Build a Bird Feeder for an Unusual Food

What you'll need:

- Birdseed, nectar, or another food that's safe and non-toxic for local birds
- Base for your feeder, like an empty juice carton, milk jug, orange rind, ice cream cone, pinecone, can, or another container
- Safety scissors
- Dowels, sticks, pipe cleaners, or skewers
- String, ribbon, or pipe cleaners
- Hot glue (for an adult)

How to make it:

1. Choose your food. Will it be seeds in an unusual container? Will it be some other kind of food like nuts or dried fruit?
2. Choose your container. Will it be a hollowed out orange rind? An ice cream cone or a pine cone? Maybe an empty can? What other container could you use?
3. Add perches or other features like a bigger roof to protect birds from the rain. Perches are places where birds can sit and eat using. You can make them out of dowels, sticks, skewers, or pipe cleaners and glue.
4. Attach a way to hang up your feeder. What will you use to up your feeder? Will you use string? Wire? A Pipe cleaner? Choose one and attach it.
5. Fill your feeder with food and hang up outside.