



PINE CONE BIRD FEEDERS

Zach and Lucy, the two Ravens cared for by the Audubon Society of Rhode Island, enjoy pine cone feeders on a regular basis. These treats encourage their foraging behaviors. Many birds in your neighborhood will also eat from these feeders. Make your own pine cone bird feeder and see what birds visit your yard!



Materials:

- Pine cone
- Twine/yarn/string
- Bird seed
- Vegetable shortening
- Spoon or craft stick
- Scissors

Directions:

1. Tie the twine around the pine cone and make a double knot. Leave each end at least six inches long.
2. Using a spoon or craft stick, smear vegetable shortening over the the pine cone.
3. Roll the pine cone in the bird seed, making sure to cover all of the shortening.
4. Press the bird seed into the pine cone.
5. Tie the pine cone around a branch or hook and cut the excess string off.
6. Keep an eye on your pine cone bird feeder and watch the birds enjoy the seeds!



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