

## Pine cone bird feeders!

Something different for those who love to bird-watch from the comfort of their own homes!

You will need:

Opened pine cones  
Wild bird seed  
Peanut butter  
String  
Oatmeal

Tie the string to the top of the pine cone so it can hang.

Mix 1 part oatmeal with 1 part bird seed.

Spoon the mixture into the open areas of the pinecone.

Place birdseed in a flat plate or pie tin.

Roll the pinecone in the seed till the peanut butter is well covered in seed.

Hang from a branch away from the tree trunk (take the pine cone down at night to avoid attracting rodents)

Variations:

To attract insect-eating birds , use suet/lard mixed in with or instead of peanut butter. You can also add dried mealworms to the seed mix for them.

To attract fruit-eating birds, push pieces of fruit in between the pinecone “petals” rather than peanut butter and seed.

