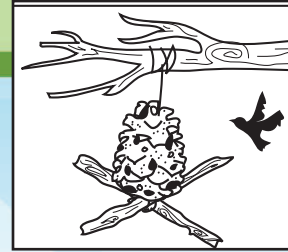
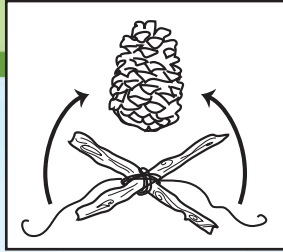
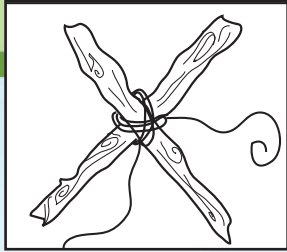


How to make a Pine Cone Bird Feeder



Summertime or winter, your feathery friends will enjoy this natural pine cone bird feeder. Supplementing their food supply is a great way to fill their bellies, and it provides you with hours of interesting bird watching. Make more than one and hang them from the trees in your yard.

What you'll need:

- Large open pine cones
- Smooth peanut butter
- Two paper plates
- Scissors
- A butter knife
- Yarn
- Birdseed
- Two sticks

Directions:

1. Cut the yarn into a piece long enough to hang the bird feeder from a tree branch.
2. Tie the yarn into a knot around the pine cone about three sections down from the top, then tie the other end around the same area to secure a loop. Set aside.
3. Form a seating perch by crossing two medium-sized sticks into an X and tying them together where they intersect. Leave excess yarn on both ends after knotting the yarn. Once the two sticks are stable, place the large end of the pine cone atop of the perch. Use the excess yarn to tie the perch and pine cone together two rows up from the pine cone's bottom. Cut off any excess yarn.
4. Scoop out a spoonful of peanut butter and place it onto the paper plate.
5. Using the knife, spread the peanut butter around the edges and on the inside of the pine cone.
6. Sprinkle the birdseed over the pine cone while holding it over the second paper plate.
7. Roll the pine cone over the birdseed that's left on the plate.
8. Hang the bird feeder on a tree.
9. Enjoy watching your feathery friends dine outside your window.