

D.I.Y. Bird Feeder

For the feeder

- An unfinished wooden feeder (any size)

Alternatives:

- Re-design a bird house or feeder you own
- A paper towel roll (skip painting step, but add the glue + seeds below)

Paint:

- The best type is All Surface or Outdoor Paint *I like the Folk Art brand
- Alternative: Use acrylic paint

Brushes:

- Foam Brushes are best
- Alternative: any paint brushes will do

Bird Seed

- Mixed, sunflower seeds, corn for shingles

To Prepare For Your craft:

- Newspaper
- Paper Plate for painting
- Bowl for water
- Wear an old t-shirt or dress for a mess!

Bird Seed Glue:

- A Large bowl for ingredients
- Wipes or paper towels for messy hands
- Measuring cups: 3/4 cup, 1/2 cup, 1 teaspoon

- 3/4 cup of flour
- 1/2 cup of water
- 3 teaspoons of corn syrup
- 1 package of Knox Unflavored Gelatin

Instructions:

- Grab yourself a large bowl and pour:
3/4 cup of flour, 1/2 cup of water and then mix them together.
- Add 3 teaspoons of corn syrup and mix all ingredients
- Add your unflavored gelatin and mix again.
*Be sure to mix well to get rid of all lumps.

To add the glue to the roof:

- Using a plastic knife, add the glue to the roof of your bird feeder.
 - You can also add glue to the front and sides of your bird feeder.
 - Add mixed seeds, sunflower seeds, and corn over the glue to secure them to the roof and sides.
 - Use corn to create “shingles:
 - Add cranberries for color!
- Once the birds eat all of the seeds, create the glue again!**

The birds will thank you!