

How to make a bird feeder



TZ FAMILY TREE
Together we grow

**Adult assistance
and supervision is
recommended.**

You will need:

A clean plastic bottle with lid
acrylic paint
paint brushes
scissors
glue gun
string
bird seed

There are lots of benefits to feeding wild birds, for you as well as the birds including; pest control, weed control, flower pollination, education and the most important making sure our native birds have enough food supply to feed themselves as well as their young. Birds are very important to the ecosystem and

in recent years there has been a serious, countrywide, decline in the numbers of many birds, including many well known species such as the song thrush, skylark, lapwing and house sparrow. By making a bird feeder it makes it a lot easier for birds to find food to feed themselves as well as and their hungry chicks in spring.



Step 1: Using the scissors, cut out the middle part of your plastic bottle, leaving you with a separate top and bottom.



Step 4: Using acrylic paints, decorate the bird feeder. Use colourful patterns and designs to attract the birds. Leave to dry.



Step 2: Cut a U shape out of bottom part of the bottle. Cut a mirroring U shape in the top part of the bottle. This will be an entrance for the birds.



Step 5: Tie string around the lip of the bottle lid, and attach the lid.



Step 3: Using a glue gun, carefully glue around the outer edge of the bottom half of your bottle, slide the top half over it onto the glue. Make sure the entrance lines up.



Step 6: Fill with bird seed and hang onto a tree.

Be sure to recycle these materials once they need replacing