

## HAMPTON & FRIENDS

Activities for Adventurers of All Ages



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## DIY Coffee Mug Bird Feeder

Do you have too many coffee mugs crowding your cabinets? Turn one into a treat for the birds!

First, gather your materials:

- Coffee mug
- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1 cup Crisco
- 2 cups of un-medicated chick start
- 2 cups of birdseed
- 1 cup cornmeal
- Stick
- Twine, wire, or a hook

This makes enough bird feed for about 4 to 5 mugs. Refrigerate leftover feed in an airtight container.

Then, make your feeder using the following steps:

- 1 Mix all ingredients in a large bowl
- 2 Press mixture into mug
- **3** Add a stick for a perch
- 4 Attach a hook, wire or piece of twine
- **5** Hang up on any tree or shrub in your yard and enjoy!

This recipe is just a guideline; you can substitute the dry ingredients to attract different types of birds. Raw peanuts, dried mealworms, raisins and other bird-friendly foods are good alternatives.

Just be sure to avoid bread or other "unnatural" foods!

