How to Make a MILK CARTON BIRD FEEDER

Building bird feeders from recycled materials is a great way to feed the birds and help keep our environment healthy. It is a fun and easy project for the whole family and a great way to get interested in watching birds.

SUPPLIES

- Clean 2-liter milk carton with cap
- Paint stir stick
- Craft knife
- Scissors
- Nail
- Wire (twine or an old boot lace also works)

INSTRUCTIONS

**Step 1** - Cut two slots about 2 inches from the bottom in the milk carton using a craft knife as shown in the picture (an adult will need to assist with this part).

**Step 2** - Slide the stir stick through the slots.

**Step 3** - About ½ inch above each slot, make a make a small horizontal cut (This will also require adult supervision). Then use scissors to cut a hole on each side to let the birds get the seed (refer to picture for guidance).

**Step 4** - Using the nail, poke 4 holes in the bottom for drainage.

**Step 5** - Use the nail again to poke two holes on opposite sides just below the cap.

**Step 6** - Run wire through the holes and join the ends at the top.

**Step 7** - Congratulations You just made a backyard bird feeder.

**Step 8** - Now add some bird seed and find a place to hang your feeder and sit back and watch. *Please know it may take a couple of days for the birds to find your feeder.*