

Here are a few bird feeders you can make at home:

Pinecone Bird Feeder

Materials:

- Pinecones
- Bird Seed
- Yarn, Ribbon or String
- Peanut Butter (alternative: suet, vegetable shortening)



Step-by-Step

Step 1: Collect your materials and tie your string securely to your pinecone.



Step 2: Use butter knife or hands to spread a thin layer onto each opening of your pinecone.



Step 3: Sprinkle with bird seed.



Step 4: Hang on tree & enjoy!



Popsicle Stick Bird Feeder

Materials:

- Popsicle Sticks
- Glue Stick or Liquid Glue
- Strong
- Optional: sticks, tongue depressor



Step-by-Step

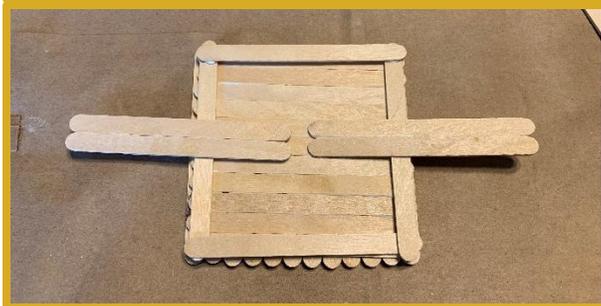
Step 1: Line up and glue 12 popsicle sticks together. Carefully turn your glued base over and glue two sticks horizontally to strengthen your base.



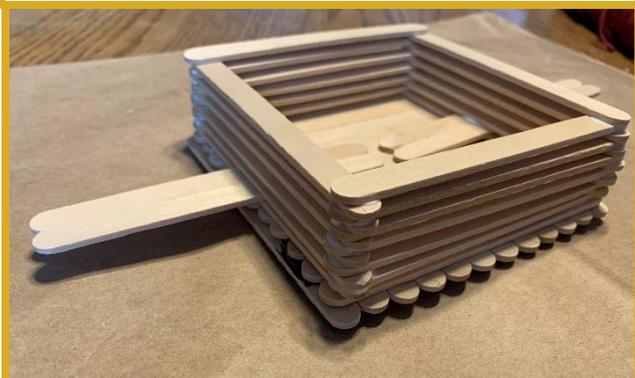
Step 2: Glue a second row of 12 popsicle sticks going in the opposite direction.



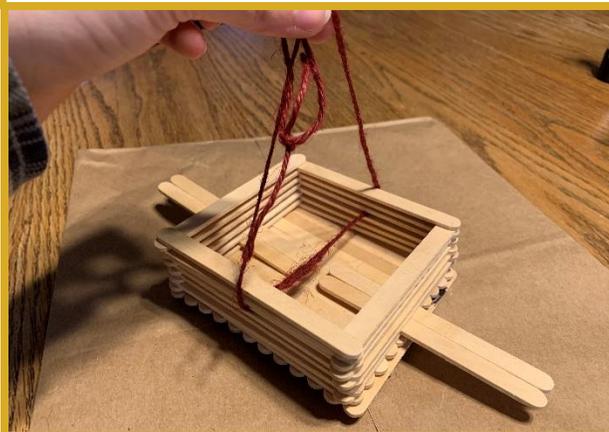
Step 3: Alternate the popsicle sticks around the frame once and glue down the perch. This can be with a tongue depressor, two popsicle sticks glued together or small sticks.



Step 4: Continue to alternate popsicle sticks around the outside until you have six rows, gluing each popsicle stick down as you go. Set aside to dry.



Step 5: Attach the string to the bird feeder and decorate it with markers, crayons or paint.



Step 6: Decorate, hang up & enjoy!



Milk Jug Bird Feeder

Materials

- Milk Jug with a cap
- Decorations (Stickers, Paint, Sharpies, Markers)
- String or Wire
- Sticks
- Scissors



Step-by-Step

Step 1: Wash the inside of the milk jug and cap with soapy water, rinse well. Try to remove the label. Some labels may not come off completely but you can always decorate over them or cut them out.



Step 2: Use scissors to cut two “windows” into your milk jug. Make sure you do not cut too low if you want a space for a perch and your seeds.



Step 3: Poke two holes at the top of your milk just with the scissors.



Step 4: Cut your string or wire to a desired length and attach to the hole you just created at the top of your feeder. Make sure your string is securely attached.



Step 5: Cut holes across from one another or make slits for your perch. Add sticks to slits.



Step 6: Decorate your feeder any way you would like. If you are using markers they may fade in the sun over time. Fill your feeder with seed hang up and enjoy.

