

Bird Feeder Craft Instructions

Items you are given: 24 craft sticks, length of yarn, 8 beads (optional use)

Items you will need: glue (white or hot...hot glue will make the craft more secure), scissors, tape (optional), bird seed (or stale bread, crackers, cereal, etc. anything that you think birds would like to eat)

Step 1: Lay 10 craft sticks side by side to create a base.

Step 2: Glue on 2 crafts sticks, at the ends of the base you just laid down, so they cross over all the craft sticks. These 2 sticks will hold the base together so make sure you glue them securely!

Step 3: Glue on 2 more craft sticks, so they overlap the ends of the two you placed in step 2.

Step 4: Continue to glue on 2 craft sticks at a time, overlapping ends each time. As you continue to do this, a “box” type shape will emerge, with small slits on each side. Use up all your sticks.

Step 5: Glue on some beads to each top corner (this step is optional)

Step 6: **IF USING WHITE GLUE, LET DRY COMPLETELY BEFORE ADDING THE YARN HANGER**

Step 7: Cut your yarn into 4 equal lengths. Tie an end of yarn to each corner. If threading the yarn through the slats, taping the end will make it thread more easily. Knot it securely. Once your yarn is all attached, bring up all 4 untied ends and knot them all together at the top. Try to get them all even in length when you knot them or your feeder will hang crooked. Make sure this is also tight since the feeder will be hanging from this top knot.

Step 8: Hang your feeder in a tree/bush and add bird food. Wait for your feathered friends to discover it and watch the fun! Be aware, a squirrel or two might try to raid your feeder too!

p.s. If using white glue, please be aware that eventually rain/snow will probably make your feeder fall apart. If that happens, just make a new one!