

## Tutorial: Recycled Bird Feeder



### Materials:

- milk jug or carton (or some other kind of cardboard or plastic carton)
- Mod Podge or similar adhesive
- paintbrush
- magazines
- scissors
- wooden dowels or pencils (not mechanical)
- yarn or sturdy string

### Directions:

Step One: Wash out your container and let it dry.

Step Two: Cut a circle out of the side of your container (this is so the birds can get inside the birdhouse). Gouge a small hole right below this circle.

Step Three: Cut out images from your magazines that you want to stick to the birdhouse.

Step Four: Use the Mod Podge to stick the images onto the carton (a good way to do this is to use a paintbrush to apply a thin layer of adhesive to the surface of the carton, stick the image onto the carton with your fingers, and then use the brush to dab the edges of the image with more adhesive), making sure not to cover either hole. Think of it as making a collage on your milk carton.

Step Five: Wait for the Mod Podge to dry.

Step Six: Insert a wooden dowel or pencil into the small hole below the larger circular hole. This will act as a perch so the birds can rest outside the birdhouse.

Step Seven: Pour some bird seed inside the bird feeder.

Step Seven: Hang it outside with some yarn (maybe on your front porch or from a tree branch), tying one end around the handle of your milk jug or through a hole gouged near the top of the carton.

Step Eight: Enjoy bird watching as you become the best friend of the birds in your neighborhood!