

MILK CARTON BIRD FEEDER

Materials Needed:

- one gallon plastic milk carton, juice carton
- enamel or acrylic paints
- stick (a few inches longer than the carton width)
- wire or rope
- birdseed

Directions:

Wash your container thoroughly with hot soapy water and rinse thoroughly.

Cut a large opening in the front of the container on the opposite side of the handle. Begin a quarter of the way down and end about 3 inches from the bottom. The birds will feed through this opening, so be sure it is fairly wide.

Decorate the outside of the container with enamel or acrylic paints. Use natural or subtle colors (birds don't feel secure in a conspicuous environment).

Cut slits (adults only) in the front and the back of the container just below the opening, then push the stick through to make a perch.

At the top of the container punch two holes opposite each other to thread your wire or rope through. Tie ends of rope in a knot and hang from a secure branch at least 5 feet from the ground. Fill with birdseed and watch the birds discover a new feeding place.