

Cookie Cutter Bird Seed Feeders

Preparation: 15 mins.

Yield: 3 feeders

I'm always looking for cheap eco-friendly projects for our family. Cookie cutter bird seed feeder ornaments are quick and easy to make and my 2 year old could help in almost every step. These bird seed feeders can be hung outside or hung on the Christmas tree, then hung outside after Christmas. These would be cute for small gifts, addition to other gifts or party favors.



3/4 cup bird seed
1 envelope Knox gelatine
1/4 cup water
cookie cutters

straws
twine
wax paper or silicone mat

Place your cookie cutters onto a cookie sheet lined with a Silicone Baking Mat or wax paper.

For my first batch, I doubled the recipe to make a little larger batch. The recipe makes 2-3 ornaments, doubling it will give you 4-6. Fill a large mixing bowl with one envelope of Knox gelatine. Boil the water and pour over the gelatine. Stir to mix well. This is where your little one can start to help, but be careful since the water will be hot. Stir until dissolved.

Pour in the bird seed and stir until completely mixed. My little man had fun stirring, but I had to help him a bit.

Fill each cookie cutter with the mixture. My little one loved this part, even though I had to help him. For our first batch, we filled 6 cookie cutters a little more than half full. For our second batch, we filled 4 cookie cutters all the way to the top. Depending on how "tall" you want your bird seed feeders and how many you'd like to make, either way worked out just fine.

Using a piece of wax paper, pack down the bird seed mixture into the cookie cutters.

Cut your straws into pieces, and push one straw piece into each cookie cutter bird seed feeder. This way you will have a hole in the feeder to hang it.

Let your bird seed feeders dry overnight. I flipped mine right before we went to bed for the night.

Pop out of the cutters when they are completely dry. Using twine, hang and let the birds enjoy!

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