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BIRDFEEDER FUN WITH RECYCLED MILK BOTTLES



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Gather Materials:

- Empty plastic milk bottle
- Scissors
- Twine or string
- Birdseed
- Decorations (paint, stickers, markers, etc.)
Optional

Cut Bottle:

Carefully use the scissors to cut off the bottom quarter of the milk bottle. This will leave an open bottom that you will fill with birdseed.

Make Perches:

About 2 inches below the cut opening, poke holes on opposite sides of the bottle. Cut twine/string into 5 inch pieces and thread through the holes to create perches for the birds to sit on.

Add Birdseed:

Fill the open bottle about 3/4 full with birdseed. Different seeds attract different birds so mix it up!

Decorate:

Get creative and decorate your birdfeeder! Paint designs, add stickers or colour it with markers. This makes it unique.

Hang It Up:

Tie a piece of twine/string around the neck of the bottle. Hang your feeder from a tree branch or pole and watch the birds enjoy your homemade creation.

Top tips:

Clean and dry used bottles thoroughly before starting

Use child-safe scissors or have an adult cut the bottle

Refill with seed as needed, especially after rain
Take inside during severe weather to avoid damage

Make a new birdfeeder for each season to observe how different birds visit your backyard throughout the year. Have fun feeding your feathered friends!