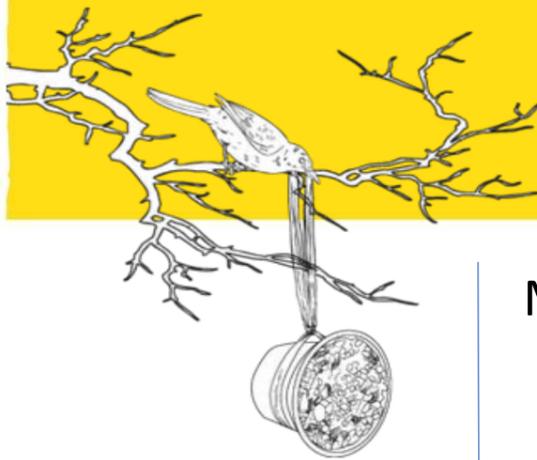




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I Spy: Birds

We're going on a bird hunt, we're going to spot a fast one... What a beautiful day!

Spring is in the air and the sun is shining so get your peepers at the ready for some bird watching fun!

Did you know? The UK is home to 620 different species of bird, and the most common is the Wren. Each of these birds have a very distinct shape, colour and call, so telling them apart can be fairly simple.

But first we need to attract them to the garden. But How? A bird feeder of course!

Bird feeders can be made out of variety of ingredients:

- Seeds
- Unsalted nuts
- Suet, lard or peanut butter
- Mealworms and other dried insects
- Cooked pasta or rice
- Boiled potato
- Cheese
- Raisins and sultanas
- Pears, apples and other soft fruit

Please be mindful of any person with nut or food allergies and/or intolerances

Making a bird feeder can be as simple or as involved as you want. Check out these super fun DIY feeders you can make at home!

BOTTLE BIRD FEEDERS

Perfect for filling with loose food items such as seeds, nuts and insects
No sticky stuff needed in here!



CARTON BIRD FEEDERS

Super simple to create and really effective – fill with seeds, nuts, cooked pasta, rice or potato. Just remember to clean it out between uses!



MUG FEEDERS

Any container can be used here – yoghurt pots make a great alternative!
Create a super sticky bird cake using room temperature lard, peanut butter or suet to combine your chosen dry ingredients. Really squash it down into your chosen container and pop it into your fridge until it is set hard. Use wire or string to hang.



FRUIT KEBABS

Skewer whole fruit onto sticks or bamboo canes, or just in the trees!