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Share the love with our feathered friends this winter by making a hanging bird seed cookie that they can eat!

Materials:

3 tablespoons flour

2 tablespoons water

1 tablespoon corn syrup (honey or simple syrup www.allrecipes.com/recipe/20216/simple-syrup/ can work as alternatives if you don't have any)

1 cup bird seed

Parchment paper

Cookie cutters

Straw or small stick

String

Towel or newspaper to protect surfaces

- 1 Protect your work area with towels or newspaper.
- 2 Mix together water, flour and corn syrup until no lumps of flour remain. Then add the bird seed and stir until all of it is fully coated.
- 3 Place a cookie cutter on a piece of parchment paper and fill with the mixture. Press the mixture into the mold so that it is firmly packed and fills all parts of the shape.
- 4 Use a straw or small stick to create a hole for the string. Make sure not to put the hole too close to the edge of your shape.
- 5 Gently lift the cookie cutter off if you want to continue to use it to make more birdseed cookies or leave it on for the first few hours of drying. Allow the mixture to dry for at least a day before it's ready to hang.

6 - Thread a piece of string through the hole you made, tie a knot to make a loop, and hang it outside for some birds to enjoy!



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