





A Gift for Feathered Friends

Don't forget your feathered friends this holiday season. Make a gift that is strictly for the birds!

Materials needed: A grapefruit or large orange, spoon, knife or scissors, any colored yarn (approx 6 feet), birdseed

Cut one orange or grapefruit in half and have your child scoop out the fruit with a spoon. They can eat it too - yum! Keep the skin to make the feeder.

Place the bottom of the fruit skin on a level surface, with the cut edge facing up. Make three small evenly spaced holes in the skin, about 1/2 inch from the top edge.

Cut yarn into three even pieces. Line up all three pieces side by side and then knot them together near one end. Leave the other ends loose. Place the knotted end of string on the table and then sit the bottom of the fruit skin on the knot. Have your child help you thread the other ends of the string through the holes. Tie the loose ends together.

Now, have your child place a big scoop of birdseed in the feeder. Hopefully you can find a tree near a window so you can watch for feathered friends to come and enjoy a holiday feast!



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