

Constructing Your Bird Feeder

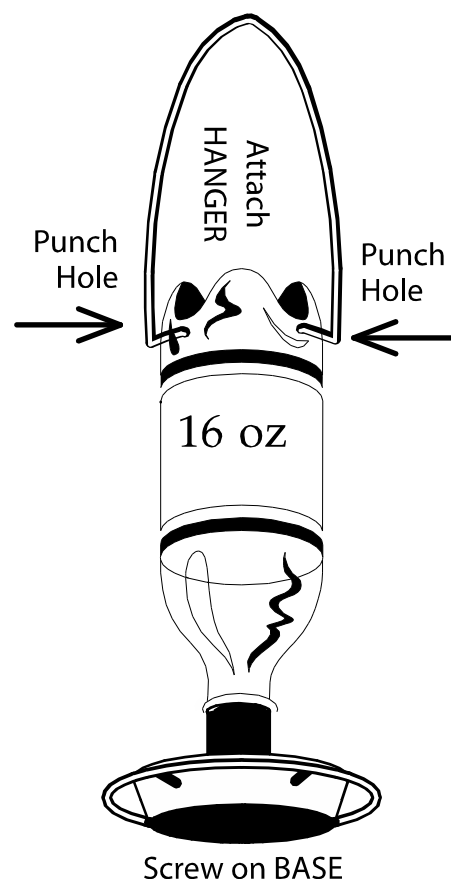
To study birds it would be helpful to attract some, so let's start by making a bird feeder. For this lesson you will need to reuse an empty plastic soda bottle from around your house. Any size will work, but smaller sizes look better. Rinse it, and if it has a heavy plastic base, remove the base.

If you'd like to do more than one feeder, see "Other Types of Bird Feeders" following the next lesson.

WHAT YOU NEED: Your rinsed out soda bottle (which you provide), Wild Bird Feeder, pushpin, large nail or pencil.

WHAT TO DO: Make holes for the hanger and attach the hanger. Start the holes with the pushpin by pushing and twisting. Widen the holes with a nail or pencil. Don't make the holes too big or the bottle may fall off the hanger.

All done! Now unscrew it and let it air out. You'll fill and hang your feeder in the next lesson.



Notice that your Wild Bird Feeder is completely recycled and recyclable! Check out the Amazing Recycling Facts and try the Recycle Maze on the back of this page.

AMAZING RECYCLING FACTS:

*THE ALUMINUM FROM RECYCLED SODA POP CANS IS ENOUGH TO REBUILD ALL THE PASSENGER AIRPLANES IN THE COUNTRY **FOUR TIMES EVERY YEAR!***

*AMERICANS RECYCLE ENOUGH NEWSPAPER TO SAVE MORE THAN **A MILLION TREES EACH WEEK!***

*THE **FUZZ** ON THE OUTSIDE OF TENNIS BALLS IS MADE FROM **RECYCLED PLASTIC.***

*RECYCLED GLASS IS OFTEN TURNED INTO **GLASSPHALT** AND USED TO **PAVE ROADS.***

BIRDS ARE NATURE'S RECYCLERS!** THE SEEDS THEY EAT SOMETIMES COME OUT UNDIGESTED IN THEIR DROPPINGS, SPREADING PLANTS OVER THE EARTH. THE MATERIALS IN A BIRD'S NEST ARE **REUSED** AND **RECYCLED.

RECYCLE MAZE

Take the newspapers, cans, glass and plastics to their recycling centers by drawing the paths, but **DO NOT LET THE PATHS CROSS!**

